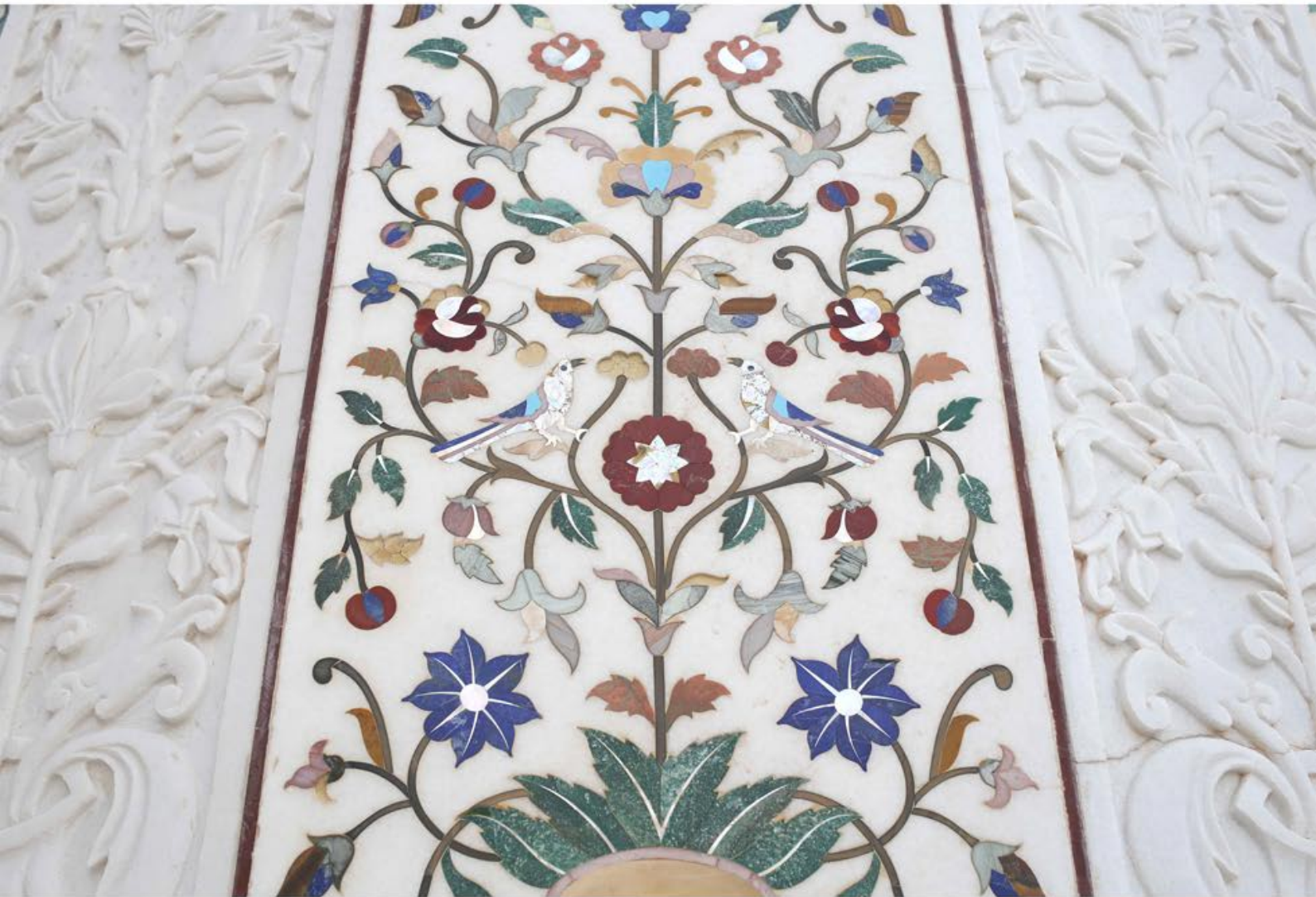




NEWS LETTER

WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL CLUB DELHI
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A P R I L 2024

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PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Fatimata KANE HAIDARA, *President*



**Dear Ladies
of the Women's International Club,**

Happy Holy to you all! This beautiful, exuberant and unifying celebration that the whole world is now celebrating with joy and good humor! Here, joyful, pleasant and vibrant is the vibe in which we will be part of during the month of April, notably with the annual Gala which will be so colorful!

The month of April is also the month where magnolias, spireas and other beautiful flowers bloom, all in a magnificent rainbow. Enjoy the beauty of nature and the last fresh breeze!

Furthermore interesting and varied programs await you as usual this month as indicated in the calendar.

Dear members,

On behalf of the Executive Committee, I am delighted that we were able to update the WIC directory, with its flamboyant red cover page, thanks to the hard work of Radhika and Isabelle. It has been available since March 13th. This same date marks a great moment for us because we're celebrating one of our members' inspiring journey. A big thank you to Madam Shanno Khurana for giving us the immense honor of sharing her great experience with us during the General meeting.

Thank you also to our gracious hostesses of march.

With my warmest wishes



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Art : Sunaina Suneja, Véronique Dieu
Books : Svetlana Romanova, Anita Dua



CULTURAL HERITAGE / INTERACTIONS

Seema Bhalla, Rene Singh , Yulia Aryaeva



FASHION AND TEXTILES

Madhu Jain, Leena Singh, Radhika Anand



FINANCE AND ECONOMICS

Gitanjali Mehta, Madhavi Divan Goradia, Smita Mankad



FOOD AND FITNESS

Frenny Billmoria, Sunaina Aggarwal, Bogusia Dhingra



LUNCH BUNCH

Bindu Talwar, Megan Reid, Surinder Sarna



MOVIES / DOCUMENTARIES / THEATRE

Sinia Duggal , Alice Cheng



PERFORMING ARTS

Shovana Narayan, Shivani Pasrich, Saskia Rao De Haas



SPECIAL PROGRAM MEMBERS CHOICE

Bubbles Suneja, Sunandini Kapur, Anita Dua



TRAVEL

Ruchika Rajan, Ashima Singh, Raveena Khurana



WORLD TODAY

Rosie Sahni, Anat Brenner, Peggy Bhohi



WORLD FESTIVAL (for information Only)

Sheila Ghatate, Smita Divan, Seità Vaidialingam



Nominations Committee 2024

Dear Members,

On behalf of the Nominations Committee, I take great pleasure in presenting to you the slate for WIC Executive Committee 2024/2025. As per our constitutional guidelines the slate is being circulated with the April Newsletter and will be verbally presented at the April General Meeting. We propose the new committee as follow :



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(India)



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Diana ALIPOVA
(Russia)



2ND VICE PRESIDENT

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(South Korea)



NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Amparo CLIMENT CASTELLO
(Spain)

I would like to thank Madam Fatimata and her Executive Committee for giving me this opportunity to chair the Nominations Committee. Even though I have been associated with the club since 1985, this present task has enabled me to reconnect with a wide variety of members and appreciate the treasure house of talent we have.

I would like also to thank my Nominations Committee who have been unstinting in their support and initiative, and hugely helpful in putting together this talented new Committee.

Wishing the club a very pleasurable and successful future.

With best wishes

Nayana Goradia

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Chairperson

Nomination committee : Sheila Ghatate, Gitanjali Mehta, Parbeen Kaur, Megan Reid, Leena Singh, Sunaina Agarwal



CIRCLE MEETING

FOOD AND FITNESS

Frenny Billimoria, Sunaina Aggarwal and Bogusia Dhingra present a lecture about **"SLEEP"**

Wednesday April 3rd 2024, 11.15 am

Venue : At the residence of Nima Malhotra, B 30, Maharani Bagh, New Delhi - 110065

Followed by Lunch.

Limit : 30. Please register yourself with RSVP or Simrit SINGH (Hospitality Chairperson), mobile 98107 52525 and email simritksingh@gmail.com

Confirmation based on first come basis in view of limited slots.



Our Speaker **B.K. Kamla**, Bachelor in commerce from Delhi University holds a masters degree in Value Education has served in various defence organisations in the country.

She has 17 years corporate work experience with renowned multinational organisations.



GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday April 10th 2024, 3 pm

Upside Down: Polar Expeditions and more

by Latika Nath

Venue : M L Bhartia Auditorium, Alliance Francaise de Delhi
72 Lodi Estate New Delhi 110003

The illustrated talk by **Latika Nath** will delve into her recent expedition to Antarctica, conducted in collaboration with the French group PONANT. This extensive journey encompassed exploration across various regions, including the Falklands, South Georgia, South Orkney Islands, the Antarctic Peninsula, the Weddell Sea, and the South Shetland Islands.



During the expedition, Latika Nath and her team gained valuable insights into the profound impacts of climate change and avian flu on the Antarctic ecosystem. Through captivating storytelling and stunning visuals, the presentation will offer attendees a firsthand look at the awe-inspiring landscapes, remarkable wildlife, and untold narratives of this remote corner of our planet.

Latika Nath, an acclaimed wildlife conservationist and photographer, holds a Master's in Human-Elephant conflict and a Doctorate in Tiger Conservation from Oxford. Recognized among Asia's 100 Women Power Leaders for 2023, her journey epitomizes academic excellence and pioneering conservation efforts. With expertise in human-wildlife conflict resolution, she blends science with artistry to advocate for climate change, ocean health, and habitat protection. Latika's diverse roles span authorship, TED speaking, photography, and hoteliering, embodying a profound connection with nature. Renowned for her transformative designs in luxury hotels, she navigates sustainability challenges with expertise, particularly in remote locations. Her impactful contributions have been recognized globally, and featured in renowned documentaries and programs by National Geographic and the Discovery Channel.



CIRCLE MEETING

FINANCE AND ECONOMICS

Friday April 12th 2024, 3 pm

Electric vehicles - truly green or not ?

By Yatish Rajawat

Venue : Residence of Smita Divan, B-39, Gulmohar Park, New Delhi

Limit : 25. Please register yourself with Simrit SINGH (Hospitality Chairperson), mobile 98107 52525 and email simritksingh@gmail.com

Confirmation based on first come basis in view of limited slots.



About the speaker

Yatish Rajawat is currently the CEO of Center for Innovation in Public Policy a think tank that works with both union and state government to introduce innovation and efficiency in policy making and implementation. Since its inception CIPP ideas and advocacy has been accepted in Online gaming, Cryptocurrency and Farm laws to cite a few.

Prior to CIPP, Yatish Rajawat was the CEO of Center for Civil Society (CCS), among the top 100 think tanks in the world. He successfully steered the think tank during the worst period of Corona.

He is an entrepreneurial leader who has started newspapers and digital media companies.

As an award-winning journalist he writes on the confluence of policy, economics and technology. He is the former Editor in Chief of DNA newspaper. With more than 27 years of rich experience he is known for creating and leading newsrooms and digital startups.

Earlier to his stint at DNA he was the Chief Strategy Officer for Local Circles, and part of the founding team. Local Circles is the largest digital citizen engagement platform. Prior to that Mr. Rajawat was the Group Managing Editor of Dainik Bhaskar in 2009. He was the first Technology Editor of India's largest business newspaper Economic Times in 1999 and was awarded the Best Journalist of the Year Award in 2002.

He is also a fellow at the Institute of Competitiveness, India, the Indian knot in the global network of the Institute for Strategy and Competitiveness at Harvard Business School.



CIRCLE MEETING

WORLD TODAY



Monday April 15th 2024, 2.30 pm

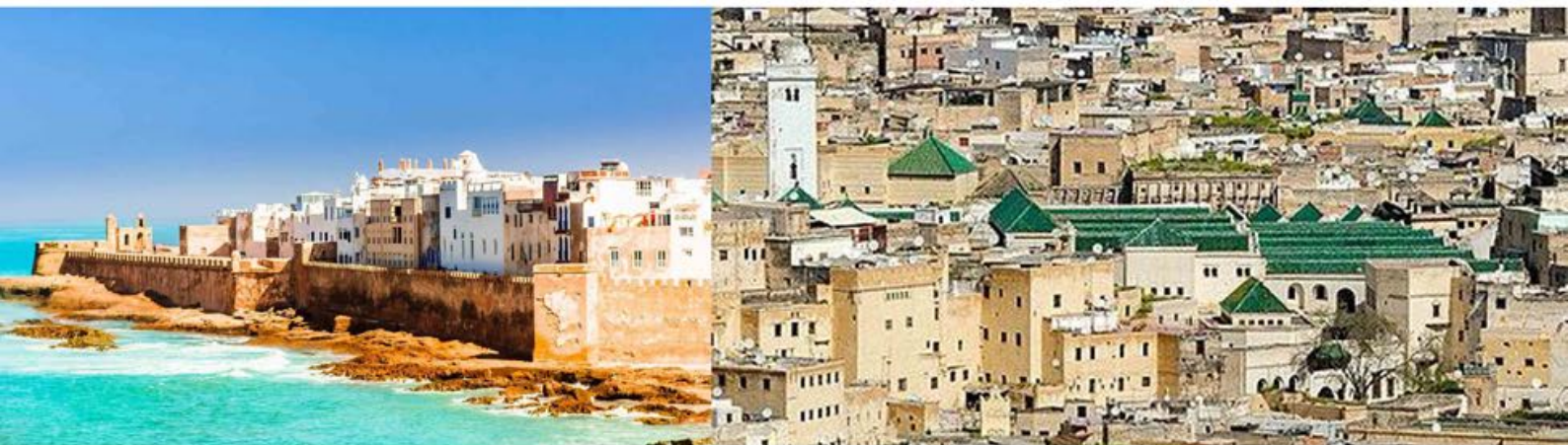
Morocco with *Karima Kaderi*

Venue : Residence of Karima Kaderi

10, Maulsari Avenue, Westend Greens, Rangpuri, New Delhi - 110037

Limit : 35. Please register yourself.

The area of present-day Morocco has been inhabited since at least Paleolithic times, beginning sometime between 190,000 and 90,000 BC. Since independence, Morocco has remained a largely stable country. It has the fifth-largest economy in Africa and wields significant influence, with strong soft power, in both Africa and the Arab world; it is considered a middle power in global affairs and holds membership in the Arab League, the Arab Maghreb Union, the Union for the Mediterranean, and the African Union. Morocco is a constitutional monarchy with an elected parliament.



Morocco, a North African country at hardly 15 kilometers from Europe, borders the Atlantic Ocean and the Mediterranean Sea. It is distinguished by its Berber, Arabian and European and African cultural influences.

It has 4 empirical cities. Marrakesh's medina, a mazelike medieval quarter, offers entertainment in its Djemaa el-Fna square and souks (marketplaces) selling ceramics, jewelry and metal lanterns. The capital Rabat's Kasbah of the Udayas is a 12th-century royal fort overlooking the water. Fes has the oldest still operating university in the world, Al-Qarawiyyine. Meknes earned the name of "Versailles of Morocco" and its walls stood time.

Morocco should be on the top of any traveller's bucket list – not only does this African beauty boast grand history and culture, it has some of the best and most diverse landscapes and scenery, as well as ancient medinas and an array of epic activities.



CIRCLE MEETING

ART AND BOOKS

Tuesday April 23th 2024, 3 pm

"Finding your gifts - A Concrete Poetry for Women"

Venue : to be confirmed.

Art and Books Circle invites members on an empowering journey to discover their unique gifts and explore their inherent strengths. This transformative technique harnesses the expressive power of concrete poetry as a dynamic medium for self-discovery.

Through carefully crafted exercises and guidance, designed and facilitated by Shilpi, we will delve into the art of concrete poetry, where words take on visual form to mirror the depth of their aspirations and strengths. It is for women eager to unearth their purpose, fostering a supportive environment that encourages reflection and creativity. "Finding your gifts through concrete poetry" is a unique opportunity to align passion and shaping a personal narrative that speaks volumes in both words and visuals.

About the speaker

Shilpi is an artist, a concrete poet and an educator based in New Delhi. With a Master's degree in English Literature and a passion for art. Her art has been exhibited globally, including a notable showcase at the Indian High Commission in London. The Mid-Day newspaper recently applauded her exceptional work in Concrete Poetry, highlighting her creative process.



For the past 14 years, Shilpi has been the driving force behind Studio START - Shilpi Talks Art (formerly Wings of Wonder), situated in South Delhi.

Beyond her studio, she has lent her artistic touch to various children's books in multiple languages, showcasing her versatility as an illustrator.

A trailblazer in education Currently working as an SEL (Social Emotional Learning) coach for a prestigious British Board School. She incorporate Concrete poetry, Expressive Art, and ATB (Awareness Through the Body), creating a holistic experience

Recently, Life Positive Magazine featured an insightful interview with Shilpi, delving into her journey as an Expressive Art Facilitator.



CIRCLE MEETING

LUNCH BUNCH

Thursday April 25th 2024, 12 pm

A pleasant surprise awaits you

Venue : Lunch Bunch circle will let you know the venue nearer time





Invitation

WIC Annual Gala - An African themed Celebration!

Dear Members,

We cordially invite you to register for the upcoming WIC Annual Gala, which will take place at 12 noon onwards on Sunday, April 28th, at the The Viceroy located inside the prestigious Claridges Hotel. This year, our gala will be inspired by **the vibrant culture of Africa**.

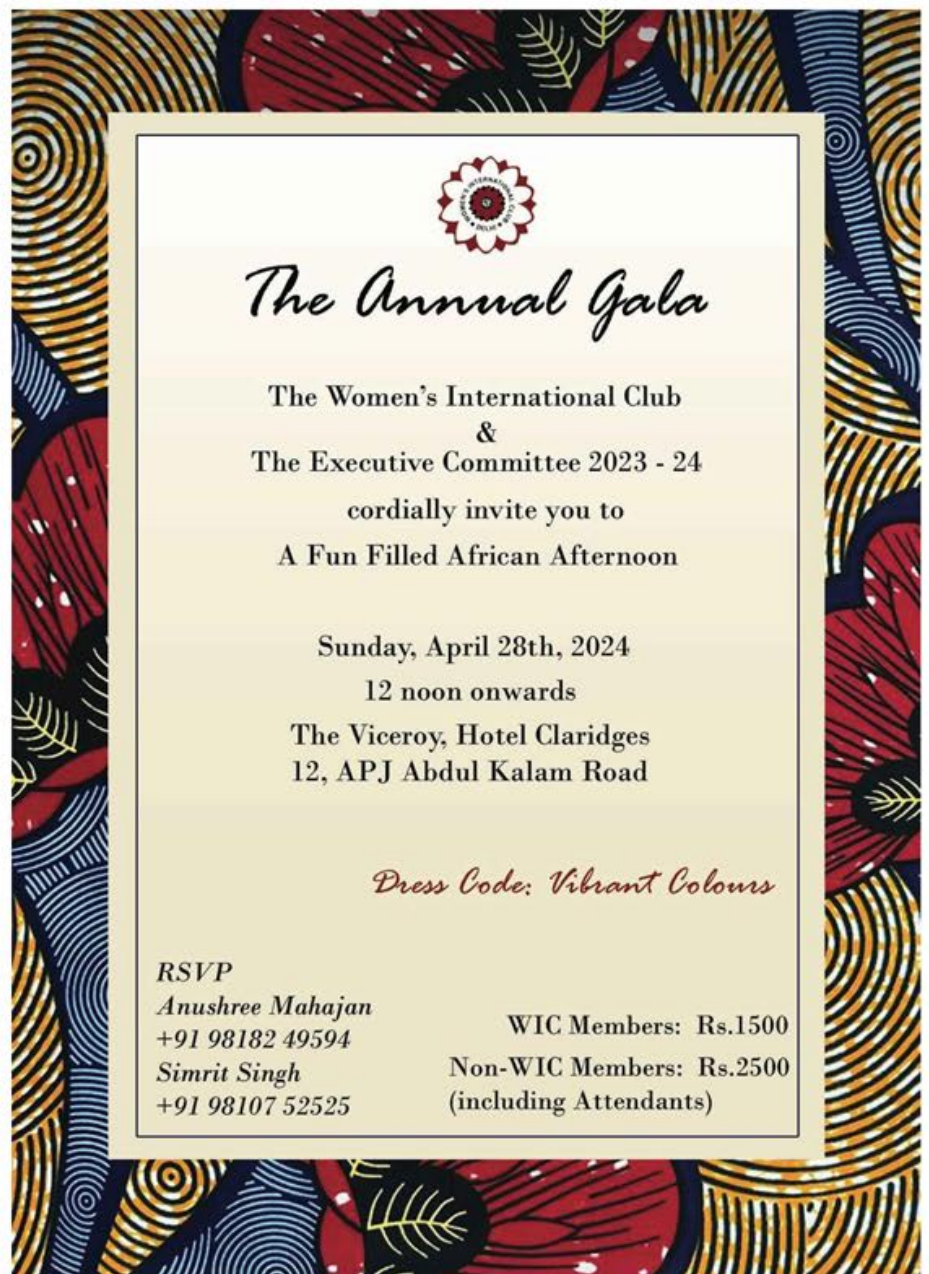
Join us for an unforgettable afternoon filled with a fashion walk, captivating performances by an African troupe, exciting games, and a chance to win prizes in our raffle. The dress code for the event is vibrant colors, so come dressed to impress and immerse yourself in the spirit of the occasion.

Don't miss out on this opportunity to celebrate and connect with fellow members in a truly memorable setting.

Register now to secure your spot at the WIC Gala An African themed Celebration!

1500/- (WIC members)
2500/- (non WIC members including attendants)

Warm regards,
Executive Committee
Women's International Club





APRIL

2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3 FOOD & FITNESS talk followed by lunch 11.15 am	4	5	6
TRAVEL - Road trip to Gwalior and Orcha						
7	8	9	10 General Meeting 3 pm	11	12 FINANCE ECONOMICS Electric Vehicles - truly green or not ? 3 pm	13
14	15 WORLD TODAY Morroco with Karima Kaderi 2.30 pm	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 ART & BOOKS Concrete poetry for women 3 pm	24	25 LUNCH BUNCH	26	27
28 <i>The Annual Gala</i>	29	30				

Bereavements

Women's international club extends deepest condolences and support to Leena Singh on passing away of her husband Baldeep and to Sohinderji on loss of her husband Raja Fateh Singhji of Nabha.

Please know that you are not alone in this grief, the WIC Family stands by you.



MEMORIES

FOOD AND FITNESS

The power, mysteries and magic of the mind : reference to dementia and alzheimer by Dr. Mohit Gupta

An educative talk by Dr. Mohit Gupta organised by Frenny of Food and fitness circle.



Gratitude to Frenny, Bogusia , Sunaina and our gracious hostess Prama Bhandari , who welcomed members to her beautiful home.



«It was an amazing talk . All of us who attended it really gained a lot in our thinking!»

«Excellent programme. Dr. Gupta was a brilliant speaker and spoke from the heart.»

MEMORIES

ART & BOOKS

Waking dream at Vadhera Art Gallery



4th March morning was spent by our members watching and understanding Zaam Arif artist's array of compelling images of mirrors within mirrors dark rooms , despair, alienation and solitude- figures restlessly sleeping, postures that capture loneliness - Young Zaam's work during covid period tells it all. Thanks to Roshni Vadhera, Deepthi Anand who walked us through the exhibition.



Gratitude to Sunaina Suneja, Art Circle for organising a visit to Vadhera art gallery followed by scrumptious tea/snacks.

MEMORIES

GENERAL MEETING

Celebrating International Women's Day 2024 with Shanno Khurana



«It was an absolute privilege and pleasure to have been present at today's meeting and hear and witness the talent and musical journey of Shanno Khurana, a legend, a path breaker, a musical genius. Words fall short when describing her especially in the backdrop of the times in which she has lived. WIC is rightly proud of her. I salute her.»

«Shannoji is a true inspiration for all women. Her great talent, her sincerity, captivating charm with a touch of humour makes her a wonderful person! We are privileged to have her as a member of WIC!»





MEMORIES

WORLD TODAY

Beautiful Sweden



«Lovely time at the Swedish Embassy, today. Thank you WIC team and a bigger Thank You to our lovely hostess and her spouse for their presentation and hospitality»

+ Traditions - fika!!!

+ Stockholm



MEMORIES

ART & BOOKS

The art of zardozi through the eyes of Faizan Uddin Shams

An Enchanting program by Faizen Uddin Shams who explained the art of Reshamdozi introduced by his family !



Very different from Zardozi, the art of reshamdozi is practiced in Agra. This embroidery was first introduced by late Shamsuddin Sheikh in the year 1936, great grandfather of the speaker



He had been working as a zardozi artisan from the age of 13. Called as the Michael Angelo of India by the late Pandit Jawaharlal . He won many awards for his excellent contribution to Reshamdozi including Padamshree Award. Then in the year 1976, the government of India recognized Reshamdozi as a handicraft of India.

