



FESTIVAL SCHEDULE DAY 2

12TH JANUARY, 2018 (FRIDAY)

St. Paul's Cathedral Lawns, Oxford Pavilion

- 11:00 - 12:00 **Travel and the Pleasures of Leisure.** Award winning Australian writer **Robert Dessaix** in conversation with novelists **Chandrabhas Choudhury** and **Prajwal Parajuly**. (Mod) Writer **Sandip Roy**. Chief Guest **H.E. Ms. Harinder Sidhu, High Commissioner of Australia**. Supported by Australian High Commission. Presented with Flying Squirrel Holidays.
- 12:10 - 13:10 **Of Nawabs and Kababs: The Cuisine of Lucknow**
A new look at the much-lauded Luknavi cuisine by **Sunita Kohli** and **Chand Sur**. In conversation with **Shahenshah Mirza**, descendant of Nawab Wajid Ali Shah, and leading food writer **Pushpesh Pant**.
- 13:20 - 14:20 **Litfests and the Real World: Staying relevant**
With representation from UK, Scotland, Australia, Canada, Jaipur. **Sue Ryan, Casi Dylan, Catherine Maclean, Namita Gokhale, Sanaz Fotouhi**. (Mod) **Sirish Rao**. Supported by British Council.
- 14:30 - 15:30 **Cities of the Future.** Is there a new way of envisioning the city of tomorrow? With **Anu Majumdar** of Auroville, writer **Naresh Fernandes**, industrialist **Harsh Neotia** and architect **Manit Rastogi**. (Mod) **G.M. Kapur**, INTACH.
- 15:40 - 16:40 **In the Shadow of the Himalayas.** **Namita Gokhale** discusses her Himalayan trilogy with writer **Prajwal Parajuly**.
- 16:50 - 18:00 **Crossing the Line:** Women on the big screen who question, challenge, break the rules. **Vishal Bhardwaj, Aparna Sen, Mira Nair, Ratna Pathak Shah, Nandana Sen**. (Mod) **Modhurima Sinha**. Introduced by **Prerana Langa**. Presented with Yes Foundation
- 19:30 - 21:30 Plugin*

St. Paul's Cathedral, Portico

- 18:00 - 19:00 **Poetry Café Inauguration.** **Mauj-e-Saraab: Minu Bakshi** presents her new Urdu ghazals. With cultural activists **Sundeep Bhutoria** and **Saira Shah Halim**.
- 19:00 - 19:30 **Poetry Café Readings:** **Arthur Cardozo, Anjana Basu, Nalini Paul**.

Literary affair interspersed with a French flavour



Alexandre Ziegler



Alka Pandé



Chandrashe Choudhury



Sunita Kohli, Usha Uthup and Priti Paul



Mira Nair and Harinder Sidhu



Nicolas Idier and Nandana Sen

Any evening bringing together two cultures is bound to be an interesting affair. And, that's exactly what this celebratory dinner, held in Kolkata and attended by Delhi's notables, was.

Celebrating the Indo-French partnership and a collaboration in literature and the arts, the event was attended by eminent personalities from the fields of literature, performing arts, diplomacy and cinema.

Guests included Ambassador of France to India Alexandre Ziegler, Australian high commissioner Harinder Sidhu, veteran singer Usha Uthup, filmmaker Mira Nair and interior expert Sunita Kohli.

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