

SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, 12 JANUARY 2019

WORKSHOPS

CONSTRUCTING THE SELF: MAKE-A-ZINE / 10:00 - 12:00

Anushka Jadhav & Priya Dali

Are we just one person, or are we many selves? Do we passively exist, or do we actively invent who we are? Join us on an exciting journey inwards as we explore the different dimensions of how we see ourselves and how others see us by creating a scrapbook zine with ace zine-maker Priya Dali!

EXPLORING INTERPERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS / 16:00 - 18:00

(In association with Tinder)

Natasha Badhwar

Do romantic relationships have to involve attraction? Can friendships be intimate? Do online dating and digital spaces make intimacy more accessible? Is being "settled" a universal goal? Let's explore all these ideas and more about love, romance and friendship, and observe and open the boundaries of interpersonal relationships and see where that takes us!

ACTIVITY TALK

PRIVACY IN THE DIGITAL AGE / 12:30 - 14:00

Anja Kovacs

Matters of privacy now have an added layer of complexity in the Digital Age. With Dr. Anja Kovacs, an advocate of freedom of expression and Internet governance, we shall explore how our relationship with ourselves and our body, and our interaction with others are influenced by the involvement of technology and how we can impact or negotiate with that.

PUBLIC DEBATE

DEBATING MASCULINITY AND FEMININITY / 14:45 - 15:45

Anushka Jadhav, Jamal Siddique, Manak Matiyani, Pavel Sagolsem & Priya Gangwani

Are the concepts of masculinity and femininity a myth or a reality? Are these constructs essential? So many of us fight to dismantle these everyday while other times we can't help but celebrate, honour and embrace these principles in our lives. Do they constrain us? Or does a balance of the two allow us to live an empowered life? Join us as the speakers debate the nuances of these concepts and their impact on lived experiences.

SUNDAY, 13 JANUARY 2019

WORKSHOPS

PUBLIC SPACE AND ACCESSIBILITY / 10:00 - 12:00

Farah Yahmeen and Iqtedar Alam

Our experience of the city greatly depends on who we are and so we all see the city a little bit differently. Join oral history researcher and digital archivist, Farah Yahmeen, and architect and urbanist, Iqtedar Alam in understanding how we experience the city and its spaces through our different senses and what it means to create a truly accessible city space for all.

IMAGINING UTOPIAS / 14:45 - 16:45

Pramada Menon

In order to change the world we live in we need to be able to imagine the world we desire. In this workshop, we will collectively stimulate our imagination and build models of what could be, through

a series of exercises designed to liberate and articulate our visions for the future. Imagine and bring to life your Utopian Vision with queer and feminist activist Pramada Menon.

ACTIVITY TALK

VISION AND HISTORY / 12:30 - 14:00

Parvati Sharma

Author Parvati Sharma shows us how the vision of the present or future emerges when it's founded on the grounds of history and how the history of a place and its culture provides the context on which a more wholesome way of "seeing" can be developed.

PANEL

MOVING BEYOND TOKENISM / 17:00 - 18:00

Abhina Aher, Anushka Jadhav, Manasi Subramaniam, Priya Gangwani & Raqeeb Raza

Too many times we've cringed as we've watched or read a badly written or terribly stereotyped character when makers have desperately tried to cater to the demands of diversity and representation. This panel will discuss what inclusivity in representation really looks like, what it means to different stakeholders – the artist, the producer, the curator, the audience – and how we can move beyond the tokenism that's plaguing popular culture.

SPEAKERS AND PANELLISTS

Abhina Aher

Abhina Aher is a trans activist from India working as an Associate Director with India HIV/AIDS Alliance and is a founder member of TWEET (Transgender Welfare Equity and Empowerment Trust) and Dancing Queens. Abhina has been working in the human rights sector for 24 years and is currently serving as starring committee member of International Trans Fund (ITF). In the past, Abhina was also chair of the Asia Pacific Transgender Network (APTAN).

Anja Kovacs

Dr. Anja Kovacs directs the Internet Democracy Project in Delhi, India, which works for an Internet that supports free speech, democracy and social justice in India and beyond. Anja's research and advocacy focuses especially on questions regarding freedom of expression, cybersecurity and the architecture of Internet governance.

Anushka Jadhav

Anushka Jadhav, cofounder of No Country for Women, is an Educator, Artist and Gender Activist who does workshops on Gender, Sex and Sexuality in schools and colleges around the country.

Farah Yahmeen

Farah Yahmeen is an oral history researcher and digital archivist whose primary concern has been the study of the oral histories of urban transformations in Delhi with Ambedkar University. She is currently a consulting digital archivist to the Centre for Modern Indian Studies, the University of Göttingen on the Democracy Archives.

Iqtedar Alam

Iqtedar Alam, an architect and urbanist, is presently an Assistant Professor at Jamia Millia Islamia. He was earlier involved with the Aga Khan Trust for Culture, India where he worked on urban improvement schemes and cultural revival projects for the Hazrat Nizamuddin Basti, Delhi and has also been part of the curatorial team to several exhibitions on themes of cultural geography, crafts and music.

Jamal Siddique

Jamal Siddique, a program manager at the Tweet foundation, is a writer, blogger, YouTuber and trans rights activist who believes in queer feminism.

Manak Matiyani

Manak is a feminist queer activist who works to facilitate youth leadership on issues of sexuality rights, gender justice, violence prevention, and Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights. He is currently the Executive Director of The YP Foundation, an organisation that builds young people's feminist and rights-based leadership of social change.

Manasi Subramaniam

Manasi Subramaniam is Senior Commissioning Editor at Penguin Random House India, where she acquires literary fiction and non-fiction.

Natasha Badhwar

Natasha Badhwar is the author of *My Daughters' Mum: A book of permissions to love, laugh, heal and find one's way home*, and *Immortal For A Moment: Small answers to big questions about love, life and letting go*. She writes the popular column, "My Daughters' Mum" in Mint Lounge, where she interweaves the personal and the political in a candid, resonant style. Along with Harsh Mander and John Dayal, she has also co-edited the book, *Reconciliation: Karwan-e-Mohabbat's journey of solidarity through a wounded India*. Natasha began her career in broadcast journalism with New Delhi Television (NDTV) as the first female videographer in news television in India. She quit 13 years later as Vice President, Training and Development and now works as an independent film-maker and media trainer.

Parvati Sharma

Parvati Sharma's latest book, *Jahangir: An Intimate Portrait of a Great Mughal*, has been described as 'an audacious, conversational history'. Her debut *The Dead Camel and Other Stories of Love* earned her praise for its depictions of love and sexuality in urban India. She is also the author of a novella, *Close to Home* and a book for children, *The Story of Babur*. Sharma lives in New Delhi, where she has studied English literature and Indian history, and worked as a travel writer, editor and journalist. *Jahangir* is her first non-fiction work.

Pavel Sagolsem

Pavel is from Imphal, Manipur. Currently, Pavel is associated with Nazariya, a Queer Feminist Resource Group in Delhi and is also a co-founder of The Chinky Homo Project, a digital anthology project on lived queer narratives from northeast India. Pavel has also worked with Centre for Health and Social Justice, Delhi in the field of 'Engaging Men and Boys for Gender Justice' and with Breakthrough India as a consultant for College Youth Networking and Engagement towards 'Creating a Safer and Shared Space for Women and Girls in Delhi'. Pavel is a vagabond at heart and a Queer Feminist by Practice. Storytelling is their passion. Pavel has written on Beauty, Sex and Sexuality for InPlainspeak, a digital magazine by TARSHI.

Pramada Menon

Pramada Menon is a queer, feminist activist who is also a performance artist. She works as an independent consultant on issues of gender, sexuality, women's rights, disability and organizational change management. Pramada is the co-founder of CREA, a feminist women's rights organization. She has also made a film in 2013, *And You Thought You Knew Me*, which examines the life of five queer persons in Delhi – their lives, their desires and their understanding of activism. Her performance, "Fat Feminist and Free" has travelled to numerous cities in India.

Priya Dali

Priya Dali is an Illustrator and Graphic Designer from Mumbai whose work revolves around themes of sex and sexuality. She makes comics and has a blog called “B se Sex”.

Priya Gangwani

Priya is a queer, feminist social activist who is also a spiritual seeker. She is the co-founder of Gaysi, a queer collective in India, and editor of their annual magazine, The Gaysi Zine.

Raqeeb Raza

Sk. Raqeeb Raza is a research scholar of English Literature working in the area of Popular Culture. He has presented numerous papers engaging in a discussion on sexuality and gender in national and international academic seminars. He is an independent photographer, working in the area of male sexuality and intimacy. His works have been featured by Homegrown, Gaysi family and other web portals.

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TIMING

10:00 – 19:00 both days

FREE ENTRY - RSVP REQUIRED

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VENUE

Goethe-Institut / Max Mueller Bhavan

NEAREST METRO STATION

Janpath & Barakhamba Road

Nearest ATM

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