In Search of a Common Ground

Science Gallery Bengaluru
February 16 to March 17, 2024
Tue – Thu: 10.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.;
Fri – Sun: 10.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m.
Free entry. All are welcome!
Friday February 16, 2024

Inauguration
6.00 p.m., Reading Room

In Conversation with Uriel Orlow and Ravi Agarwal
Francesca Romana Audretsch engages the artists in a free-flowing interaction around their exhibited works.
6.30 p.m., Reading Room

Activation Programme
Saturday February 17, 2024

Workshop with Uriel Orlow and Ravi Agarwal
Listening to the Land: Poetic and Political Re-imaginings of our Common Ground

To discuss how dialogue manifests within a research-based approach to artistic practice, share different strategies and methods, and engage with questions of representation and poetics, through short fieldwork and deep listening exercises, to cultivate new ways of engaging with the multi-layered ecosystems surrounding us.
10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m., Reading Room
Limited places - register online

4.30 p.m. Exhibition Walkthrough by Francesca Romana Audretsch
Max. 20 persons - first-come, first-served

Film Screening: Regenerating Life by John Feldman
Introduction by Francesca Romana Audretsch

The film takes an ecological approach to unpacking the social and environmental crises that confront us, shifting the prevailing climate change story, and offering new, attainable solutions. It tracks growing movements of farmers, activists, scientists, and others working to repair the environmental and social devastation we have caused.
6.00 p.m., Reading Room
Register online
Sunday February 18, 2024

**Exhibition Walkthrough**

11.30 a.m. With Francesca Romana Audretsch  
2.30 p.m. With Art Mediators  
4.30 p.m. With Francesca Romana Audretsch  
Max. 20 persons - first-come, first-served

Saturday February 24, 2024, 6.00 p.m.  
**Physical Screening**, Reading Room  
**Unearthing Landscapes - A Two-Part Curated Film Package**

Curated by Toxics Link, in association with Shared Ecologies, this is a series of artist films and video works by Indian artists that respond to ecology, environmental crises and our deep relationship with nature. The films consider nature and the looming collapse of environmental systems through poetic and artistic lenses.

Saturday March 2, 2024  
**Cyanotype Workshop with Kāṇike**

General introduction, history of cyanotype, process, practical demonstration, hands-on-experience, display & discussion.  
10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m., Materials Lab  
Age: 15+ Limited places - register online

**Wasting Away: A Panel Discussion on Resource Management**

With Mansoor Gous, Hasiru Dala; Saarim Khursheed, WhyWaste; Elizabeth Yorke, Edible Issues and Sahar Mansoor, Bare Necessities  
Moderated by Poonam Bir Kasturi, Daily Dump

How are chefs repurposing grains spent in breweries around the city? How can we switch to sustainable lifestyles without breaking the bank? How can we support waste pickers at the grassroots level?  
6.00 p.m., Reading Room  
Register online
Saturday March 9, 2024

Botanical Sketching Workshop with Nirupa Rao

Botanical art is the practice of depicting plant species with accuracy and beauty. While such art is often created in colour, this introductory workshop focuses on sketching in black and white, laying a firm foundation for future botanical paintings. It will help you understand structure, volume and shading in plants. However, if you’ve been practising a while, feel free to bring along the colouring medium you’ve been using (watercolours, pencils or felt pens only).

11.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m., Materials Lab
Age: 15+ Limited places - register online

Film Screening: The Elephant Whisperer by Kartiki Gonsalves
Post-Screening Conversation on Bio-Diversity with Kartiki Gonsalves and Prof. R. Sukumar

The film won the Academy Award for Best Documentary Short Film at the 95th Academy Awards, and tells the story of an indigenous couple named Bomman and Bellie who are entrusted with an orphaned baby Indian elephant named Raghu. The film is not just a heartwarming story of a bond between animal and human and co-existence, but also showcases the Indian culture and tradition of environment conservation.

6.00 p.m., Reading Room
Register online

Sunday March 10, 2024, 6.00 p.m.

Physical Screening, Reading Room
Available online from March 11 to 17, 2024, at https://vimeo.com/showcase/10964812

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Register online
Saturday March 16, 2024

**Public Talk: Bangalore Lakes - An Ecological History by Harini Nagendra**

Cities like Bangalore are on a breakneck path to growth, becoming concentrations of pollution, stress, and disease. This talk will discuss how we need to learn from the ecological history of Bangalore’s lakes, to re-design the city to accommodate its ecology, ensuring human wellbeing as well as resilience to climate change.

5.00 p.m., Reading Room
Register online

Saturday March 16, 2024

**Movement Interventions by Ainesh Madan and Dayita Nereyeth**

**Delhi by Ainesh Madan** is a creative intervention that brings to attention the current air pollution crisis in New Delhi. The pollution in the National Capital Region (NCR) of India has risen at an alarming rate over the past two years. The piece uses movement to highlight the tension that defines this crisis. The work is a collaboration between two artists: Ainesh Madan and Nitant Nair.

**Rooted by Dayita Nereyeth** is an abstract dialogue between two unlikely companions – a plant and a dancer. The piece disentangles issues relevant to both beings: travelling or remaining local, pruning as aesthetic manipulation, and interconnection. This work-in-progress moves through questions of agency, power, and balance. Are plant and dancer equal? Can they breathe together?

7.00 p.m., Portico
Register online

**Exhibition Walkthrough**

Tue – Fri: 4.30 p.m.
Sat – Sun: 11.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m.
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Link for online registration on the Science Gallery Bengaluru website: [https://carbon.scigalleryblr.org/programmes?](https://carbon.scigalleryblr.org/programmes?)