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WHAT WENT BEHIND

Life and Literature and its impact on society and social behaviour was discussed in depth by the charming resource person, Tamizhachi Tangapandian. A talented writer, an eloquent speaker, she made her session very interesting, intertwining poetry and prose very skillfully.

Her presentation was filled with anecdotes from all over the world, sprinkled with nuggets of greatness of the female species from the past and in the present. Her speech was very inspiring, bold and carried the message of instilling sterling qualities of love, courage and confidence in the 'modern Woman'.

WHAT LIES AHEAD

A traditional folk art using dots and dashes, that is unique to India will be examined in our next meeting. Call it by any name, Rangoli, Kolam, Chowkputna, Alpana, Hase or Muggulu- the design whether colourful or just plain white – it brightens the courtyard of the home and the workplace. A symbol of auspiciousness, Hindus believe that the geometrical patterns, applied with rice flour welcomes Goddess Lakshmi into the household and drives away all evil spirits, besides being food for all the million tiny life forms moving on the ground. Today, a lot of in depth study is being done in the art of Kolam or Rangoli. Its mathematical properties are being analysed, the anthropological dimension is being researched and its relationship with contemporary art and history is being explored.

At our next meeting we will have a master craftsman, handling this subject of Kolam as an all encompassing established art form of India.

Topic

Traditional Art with
dots and Dashes : Kolam

Resource Person

Smt. Gayatri Shankaranarayanan

Date

Tuesday, April 5th 2016

Venue

Hotel Sangam, Trichy



BIRTHDAYS

FOR THE MONTH OF
MARCH 2016

*"The more you praise and
celebrate your life,
the more there is in
life to celebrate".*

– Oprah winfrey



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| April 3rd | Akila Ashok |
| April 7th | Jenie Edmund |
| April 10th | Shanthi shivakumar |
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| April 21st | Subhashini M. |
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