

AWTC- 2011

Asian Waldorf Teachers Conference
1st - 7th May 2011

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The first Asia Pacific Anthroposophical Conference (APAC) took place in October 1997 in Mumbai. This was followed by the first Waldorf Round Table which took place in Udvada, near Mumbai. Thereafter, the latter was held every time an Asia Pacific conference took place and evolved into the Asian Waldorf Teachers Conference (AWTC) in April 2005 in Ilan, Taiwan.

Now, seven years after the last APAC-AWTC conference, the Hyderabad Waldorf schools (Sloka, Abhaya, Diksha and Prerana) along with the Anthroposophical Group in India and together with Freunde der Erziehungskunst are hosting the conference in Hyderabad, India.

The last 14 years have seen a tremendous growth in the Waldorf movement with many initiatives starting in the Asia-Pacific region. The teaching in these schools is based on Dr. Rudolf Steiner's philosophy. Steiner education is multidimensional, appealing to all the faculties of the child. This education is truly a part of a universal understanding of the child. It is applicable to each child, irrespective of the child's cultural roots, language, religious beliefs or geographical setting. The goal is to educate the hand, the heart, the intellect and foster cultural, moral and spiritual values in each child. Anthroposophy - the knowledge of the human being - is the basis of Steiner education.

We have all been working intensively with the insights of Steiner into Waldorf education, building up and changing the curriculum to suit the various regions. This has, in turn, inspired many more schools and non-governmental organisations in several of parts of Asia to start their own initiatives and change their teaching methodology.

The AWTC with its theme - **“Social Responsibilities of Waldorf Schools and Kindergartens within the Society,”** will provide a platform to present our research and share our experience with all our Asian colleagues. This changing face of education throughout Asia will benefit a lot with the inputs from across the globe and our collaborative efforts.

The APAC with its Theme - **“Rudolf Steiner - An Inspiration for Our Time - His Anthroposophical Impulse in India and the World in the 21st Century ”** will take a fresh look at his insights and his work commemorating his 150th year.

We are positive that the upcoming conferences will help us feel the kindled strength from different countries and give us the impetus to strive on until we meet again, to take the things to a higher and better plane.

PROGRAM – ASIAN WALDORF TEACHERS CONFERENCE

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Social Responsibility of Waldorf Schools and Kindergartens in the Society

Timings	APR 30 th Sat	MAY 1 st Sun	MAY 2 nd Mon	MAY 3 rd Tue	MAY 4 th Wed	MAY 5 th Thu	MAY 6 th Fri	MAY 7 th Sat	MAY 8 th Sun
08.30 – 09.00	A R R I V A L	Choir For All							D E P A R T U R E
09.00 – 10.00		LECTURE BY CHRISTOF WIECHERT – Seven day lecture based on: Deepening of the understanding of the Waldorf School Curriculum on the basis of Rudolf Steiners Study of man (including Child Studies)							
10.00 – 10.45		B R E A K							
10.45 – 12.30		AWTC: Morning Workshops							
12.30 – 15.00	L U N C H								
15.00 – 17.00	Registratio n	AWTC : Afternoon Workshops							
17.00 – 17.30	B R E A K								
17.30 – 18.30	Registratio n	AWTC : Plenary Hour					Meeting of all Teachers – Participants: Future Plans		
18.30 – 20.00	D I N N E R								
20.00 – 21.00	*Free Evening	Cultural Presentation by India	Cultural Presentations by Participating Countries			Cultural Presentations by India	Presentations by Workshop Groups & Closing Ceremony		

* Exhibits from the different schools can be displayed at this time, if desired. Market time will be during lunch/break/free time only. Please co-ordinate with the organizing committee.

EXPECTATIONS FROM PARTICIPANTS

- ❖ **NOTE:** During the Plenary Hour, more emphasis will be placed on the following areas, than to the Country Reporting:
 - Child Observation
 - How to educate primary virtues
 - How to include social responsibility in the class room
 - Healthy time-table
 - Teacher development and meditation
- ❖ Country reports have to be submitted before hand to the organising committee, preferably by e-mail. Each country is expected to submit a consolidated report of all the Waldorf schools and initiatives present in their country.
- ❖ For the cultural nights, we request every school to prepare a 10-15 min presentation, preferably bringing in the curriculum element into your presentations. Also, we request you to include a commentary on how it appears in the Pedagogical reality of the individual schools or kindergartens. Please inform the organising committee of your technical needs at the time of registration or on the day of your arrival.

WORKSHOP INFORMATION

AWTC MORNING WORKSHOPS

Waldorf Kindergarten & Early Childhood Education	Group 1 - Thanh Cherry & Sucheeta Group 2 - Junko Suzumoto Group 3 - Sue Chang (In Chinese) Group 4 - Marjorie Theyer & Manju Shetty
Class 1 & 2	Group 1 - Sandhya & Chris Bennett Group 2 - Helen Cock & Mary Joan Fajardo
Class 3 & 4	Anandhi Kumar & Michal Ben Shalom
Class 5 & 6	Jyotsna Patnaik & Sue Simpson
History & Geography	Manorama, Porn Pansot & Chih Hong Wang
Chemistry	Dr. Dirk Rhode
Physics & Math	Florian Osswald
Biology	Dr. Albrecht Schad
Literature & Cultural Studies	Nirmala Diaz & Aban Bana
Extra Lesson: Working with children with learning and behavioural difficulties	Ernst Westermeier & Frau Gettys

AWTC AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS

Eurythmy - Kindergarten & Lower School	Aban Bana
Eurythmy	Dilnawaz Bana
Eurythmy - Upper School	Sue Simpson
Painting	JuneYu Pontius
Drawing with Crayons and coloured pencils for Grades 1-8	Van James
Speech	Jane Gilmer
Black board & Form Drawing	Sunitha & Neela
Games & Rhythms	Michal Ben Shalom
Bothmer Gymnastics	Isa Belmonte
Music for Beginners	Chris Bennett
Advanced Music Course	Anandhi Kumar
Handwork	Christa Ammann
School Administration	Nana Goebel & Helen Cock
Foreign Language Learning	Christof Jaffke
Kindergarten handwork	Abhisiree

GENERAL INFORMATION & REMINDERS

When you start preparing to leave your home country, the following information may be helpful:

VACCINATION

No Vaccinations are compulsory for your entry into India, but we advise you take a booster dose of DTP (Diphtheria, Tetanus, Polio), and get vaccinated against Typhoid and Hepatitis A and B.

MEDICINES

Don't carry medicines with you, unless you have to take something specific for a particular illness. All medicines are available here and they are probably much cheaper than in your country.

MONEY

You may want to change your currencies into Indian Rupees and there are different ways to do this:

1. If you are travelling directly to the venue from the airport, we suggest that you exchange only about 20 to 30 USD at the airport. We are arranging for a money changer to be present at all times at the venue for your convenience, where you will get a better exchange rate.
2. Most ATMs accept International Bankcards, like Visa, Master, Maestro, Plus etc. The only disadvantage being, you may have to pay the associated bank charges.

GENERAL

- If you play a musical instrument bring it along.
- Remember to carry your recorders. It may come in handy.
- If you have any battery operated gadgets, bring rechargeable batteries with you. It may be bit of a trouble to buy new ones as we will be staying in a resort. Please keep in mind that in India the voltage is 220V. You will have to bring the appropriate adaptors/transformers for electronics you bring with you.
- A hat or an umbrella would be advisable to protect you from the scorching sun.
- Also please carry sun lotions or sun-block creams of your choice.
- A sleeping bag and mosquito net might come handy, especially if you plan to do any backpacking before or after the conference.

CLOTHES

- Hyderabad is hot during the holiday seasons of April-May, so it is best to wear cool cotton clothes. You can also buy the colorful Indian clothes that are available in plenty here.

VENUE

The Fourth Asian Waldorf Teachers Conference will take place at Leonia Holistic Destinations, Shamirpet, Hyderabad. To know more about the venue please Visit www.leonia.in

LEONIA HOLISTIC DESTINATIONS

Bommarasapet, Shamirpet,
Hyderabad
INDIA

TRANSPORTATION

Please note that your Registration fee does not cover the transportation costs. Participants are expected to pay for their Airport transfers directly to the cab/bus drivers.

- ❖ For those arriving by air, the distance from the Shamshabad airport to the resort is approximately **60kms**. We offer you two options that we can arrange for you:
 1. Airport Transfers by car - Rs 800/-appro(one way)
 2. Airport Transfers by a 22 seater, Luxury Coach @ Rs 350/- Net per person.

- ❖ You may alternately choose to use the airport taxis:
 1. **Meru Cabs**: They have two types of vehicles. Logan & Indigo. Each can take a maximum of 3-4 people and the charges are Rs 15/- per Km during the daytime i.e., 05:00 - 19:00 hrs & Rs 19/- per Km during the night i.e., 19:00 - 05:00 hrs.
 2. **Dot Cabs**: They also have two types of vehicles. Indica & Innova. Each vehicle can take 4 people and the charges are Rs 1200/- per trip for Indica & Rs 1500/- for Innova. They have the same price round the clock.

- ❖ For those arriving by train or bus or any mode of transport other than Air, the distance from the city to the venue is approximately **30-40kms**. You can either contact us for booking your cabs or you can choose your own means of transport.

- ❖ Please confirm your arrival schedule when you submit your the registration, **especially if you are arriving a few days earlier or are leaving a few days later than the conference dates and would like us to suggest some options to you** . Upon confirmation, you will receive your pick up timings from your respective points (airport or city) by email from the Registrar.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

- ❖ You can choose to fill the Registration form online **OR** download the Registration Booklet and fill out the Registration form offline.
- ❖ If you choose to fill offline, please scan and send the form as an attachment to: registrations@apac-awtc.org. **The Registrar will send you confirmation of the receipt of your form.**
- ❖ Make sure you choose your workshop priorities. Please note that you will be assigned to the workshop group on a "first come first served" basis. Please be prepared to be included in the group of your second or third choice.
- ❖ If you opt for us to arrange your transfers from the airport or city to the resort, please send email to the Registrar: registrations@apac-awtc.org with your date and time of arrival and flight details.
- ❖ For payment of **Early Bird Registration fee (by Jan 1, 2011)** and **Regular Registration fee (by March 1, 2011)** fees, pay Bank-to-Bank using the details provided under **PAYMENT PARTICULARS**.
- ❖ Once the payment is made, please scan and email the deposit slip as an attachment to: payments@apac-awtc.org. Please make sure your name and account number on the deposit slip are clearly visible.
- ❖ **Please note that registrations are valid only upon confirmation of payment by the Registrar.**
- ❖ If you are choosing on-site payment options, please make sure you confirm your registrations by writing to the registrar: registrations@apac-awtc.org and carry a copy of the e-mail confirmation from the registrar. **In this case, your choice of Workshops will be confirmed only at the venue and will be subject to availability.**
- ❖ For Cancellations please email to: cancellations@apac-awtc.org. Please note that only 80% of the fee paid will be returned provided that the cancellations are made on or before **12th April 2011**. There will be no refunds after this date.

PAYMENT PARTICULARS

- ❖ Registration Fee includes training sessions, accommodation and food from **April 30 to May 7, 2011**. Registration fees paid do not include Bank charges or miscellaneous charges levied by the bank or otherwise.
- ❖ Registration is valid only upon confirmation of payment by the Registrar.
- ❖ **Early-Bird (by Jan 1, 2011)** and **Regular payments (by March 1, 2011)** are valid only if payment is confirmed on or before the respective Payment Dates mentioned.
- ❖ In-case of On-site Registrations, the Participant has to get an email of Confirmation from the Registrar on or before **March 20, 2011**.
- ❖ For transfers to and from the Airport, the Participant will have to pay the cab/bus directly.
- ❖ A tour of Hyderabad city will be arranged upon request. The charge for this will be collected at the venue of the conference.

AWTC REGISTRATION FEE

Participant Particulars	Early-Bird	Regular	On-Site
Indian Participant:			
Single Occupancy	INR 19000	INR 20000	INR 21000
Double/Triple Occupancy	INR 16500	INR 17500	INR 18500
International/NRI Participant:			
Single Occupancy	USD 475	USD 500	USD 525
Double/Triple Occupancy	USD 415	USD 440	USD 460

***Please note that the Single Occupancy Rooms are limited and are subject to availability.**

Last date for Early Bird Registration: 1st Jan 2011
Last date for Regular Registration: 1st March 2011

BANK DEPOSIT DETAILS

Particulars	Rupee Transfer within India	Transfer in USD	Transfer in EURO
Pay to	---	Standard Chartered Bank, NY (New York)	Commerz Bank, Frankfurt
Swift Code	---	SCBLUS33	COBADEFF
Credit To	---	Allahabad Bank Treasury Branch, Mumbai	Allahabad Bank Treasury Branch, Mumbai
Swift Code	---	ALLAINBBTDM	ALLAINBBTDM
Account #	---	3582020786002	400875002801
In Favor Of	---	Allahabad Bank Industrial Finance Branch, Hyderabad	Allahabad Bank Industrial Finance Branch, Hyderabad
Swift Code	---	ALLAINBBSIF	ALLAINBBSIF
For Further Credit to	Allahabad Bank, Gachibowli Branch, Hyderabad	Allahabad Bank, Gachibowli Branch, Hyderabad	Allahabad Bank, Gachibowli Branch, Hyderabad
Name of the Account Holder	Asian Waldorf Teachers Conference	Asian Waldorf Teachers Conference	Asian Waldorf Teachers Conference
Account #	50041200737	50041200737	50041200737
IFSC Code	ALLA0212474	---	---

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REGISTRATION FORM - APAC, 2011

Full Name* _____
(First Name) (Middle Name) (Last Name)

Sex*

Male Female

Date of Birth* _____
DD MM YYYY

Age* _____

Complete Address*

_____ City _____ State/Province

_____ Zip/Postal Code _____ Country

Email*: _____

Mobile: _____ Phone*: _____

Profession*: _____ Experience in Years* _____

Educational Qualification*: _____

Interests & Areas of Work: _____

Registration Category*: Indian Participant International/NRI Participant

Mode of Payment*:

Bank-Bank/Wire Transfer Cheque/DD by post Cheque/DD at the bank

Bank Name _____

Cheque #: _____ Cheque Date: _____

Food Preference*: Vegan Jain Vegetarian Non-Vegetarian

Accommodation Preference*: Single Double/Triple

*Please note that all rooms are allotted only on first come first serve basis.

Transport Options*: Arrange for my Transport I'll will take care of my Transport

Preferences for*: AWTC Morning Workshop

AWTC Afternoon Workshop

Signature: _____ Date: _____