

Dear Friends of SVARAM Sound Experience!

With delight and gratitude and personal fulfilment, I am happy to share our newsletter with you on the auspicious occasion of the 20th anniversary of SVARAM.

It has been a certainly enriching, often challenging, but a rewarding journey from our very beginnings - emerging from our cultural and rural social development work with Mohanam Tamil Heritage and Educational Center and the initial adventure of exploring materials for the vibrational qualities, grooming the acoustic craft skills of our young artisans to the large variety of musical instrument creations that we can offer to the community and the world at large.

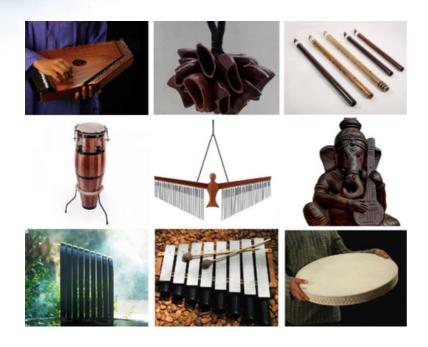
Our focus on authentic craft and the emerging innovations always went hand in hand with building community - locally and increasingly so globally; sharing our work, exporting our instruments in more than 33 countries, having grown from the original 7 core members ("Saptasvaras") to now more than 70 individuals strong team. The 'living embodiment of an actual human unity' (see Auroville Charter) has always been the driving tone and motivation in our work and we are proud to have such a versatile team of local artisans and international volunteers, interns, experts joining our forces in the exploration of the harmonizing power of sound.

Trusting that you will find inspiring news from our wide range of activities in this newsletter. And that you continue to be an active and supporting participant of our thriving and strongly growing adventure of a more wholesome 'Sound Experience' - of the emergence of a truly global and diverse humanity; of a forward evolution towards a culture of progressive harmony and wellbeing.

Sharing our sound gifts and inviting You to celebrate here with us! And dedicating our musical and research work to the emergence of the psychic core of our existence!

Aurelio and the SVARAM Team.

NEW INSTRUMENTS & INNOVATION



The extra time of the lockdown months offered us the opportunity to dive deeper into our applied research and prototyping of new sound sources. As it often takes some time, from our cutting edge beginnings to the point when these innovations find their resonance, we take the opportunity to share the links to our latest and special editions. If you have not yet discovered them, please take the chance to browse through the brochures

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RESEARCH & COLLABORATIONS



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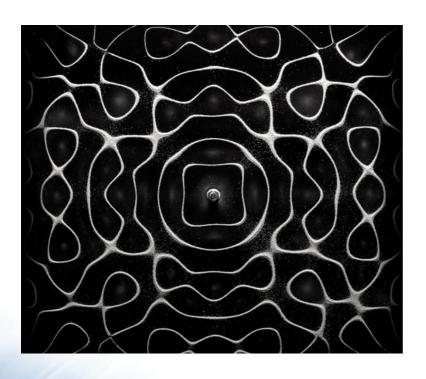
SVARAM AT SERENDITPITY ARTS FESTIVAL



Our intention of widening the harmonising effect of sound & musical instruments took us to Goa! The Serendipity Arts Festival helped SVARAM experience 'many firsts' - be it in mass outreach numbering several thousand a day to explaining the relevance of healing properties of sound to a very diverse audience, the nine day sonic escapade to Goa was a truly unique learning experience.

Click here to read about it

CYMATICS RESEARCH AT SVARAM



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VIBROACOUSTICS RESEARCH AT SVARAM



Another one of our recent co-creations has been the Soma bed based on the in-depth research of Vibroacoustics. We have a team working on both the creation & prototyping side as well as the back end literature review research. There is much to be explored in this field, however if you are a sonic explorer with a thirst to see the scientific side of the effect of vibration on the human body then you would definitely want to get more into this!

Click here to read our research

WATER: A TRIBUTE BY SVARAM



We believe that the sound of water has a universal appeal and this track is a testament to the power of music to bring people together and evoke emotions. We recorded the sounds of water from various sources and processed them using various effects to create the soundscape for this track.

Click here to hear the track

NEW PROJECTS



While we are in the process of working on 3 major and unique wellbeing and hospitality projects, we will have to wait for the full completion of the projects to share more on this - to be able to honor confidentiality and for the surprise factor! Just to tease - here are some hints on geography and the special selected environments which bring together locations near the Asian Lion's National Park, in the Kutch of Gujrat, in the beautiful Sahyadri Western Ghats near a reserve forest, in North Kerala and the Maldives.

SVARAM CENTRE UPDATES



As reported in our last newsletter we had received the full Planning Report from Sangath Office of BV Doshi and team. Due to the present challenges in Auroville, the promised funding support has been withdrawn. And the respected "father of modern Indian architecture", Pritzker prize winner and Padma Vibushan Shri Doshi, passed away in his 96th year in January 2023. But we are glad to be able to inform, that we are in the process of building the first phase of the Center for the Craft, Art and Science. This will house the needed extension of the fine craft workshop and production wing of the projected development of SVARAM.

In the meantime we are also participating in the Utsav project of Industrial Zone development and will establish a Research and Design Atelier in its premises which also will house our library, study circle, program lounge and sound therapy spaces, offering opportunities for researchers in residence.

OUR UPCOMING PROGRAM



Integral Sonic Studies and Practices 2023

Certificate program in Auroville

Module 1:

6th to 11th March 2023

This 4 module certificate course in Integral Sonic Studies and Practices offers the opportunity of a thorough introduction, exposure, immersion and training in the vast subject of Music and Medicine and can benefit the lay-person's personal growth journey, deepen the practice of yoga aspirants, as well as enhance the professional work of therapists, educators, health and social workers and wellness specialists. The course offers a gradual entry into the world and practice of sound healing.

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