

THE MALAYALAM LITERARY SOCIETY

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The Malayalam literary society started officially in March 2013 celebrates its 10 year anniversary in 2023 and remains till date one of the actively functioning literary societies of the St Stephen's College. The Malayalam literary society has always strived for and will continue to do so to preserve and showcase the culture and literature of the Indian state - Kerala . In an attempt to do so, the society has conducted various cultural and literary activities in the college. MLS works in 4 verticals - Vykhari (literary vertical) , Kerala Study Circle , Publicity vertical and the finance vertical.

Onam - our flagship event

Onam is an annual harvest festival of Kerala where everyone irrespective of their differences come together to celebrate unity , love and prosperity. The Malayalam literary society celebrated Onam in the college campus on 10th September 2022 incorporating the virtues of the festival. More than 400 junior members and senior members came together in mess lawns and then in scr lawns to celebrate onam. The auspicious day started with the Principal Prof John Varghese inaugurating the function followed by cultural performances. The cultural performances included Thiruvathira performed by more than 70 junior members, vanjipattu performed by more than 30 junior members and an onam song sung by our talented singers. A beautiful flower carpet was also prepared in the main portico . The cultural performances were followed by a sumptuous Onam Sadhya in the mess hall .Over 300 junior members and faculty members joined for the sadhya. After sadhya , a chendamelam performance by an external team was arranged. The day ended with games and tug of war competition .



Orientation

Orientation for the Malayalam literary society happened on 26th November 2022 in the scr lawns. A considerable number of first years turned up for the event and the orientation was informative and fun-filled.



Participation in NAAC visit

The Malayalam literary society participated in the cultural evening organized as a part of visit by the NAAC team on 9th and 10th February 2023. MLS prepared a flower carpet in front of the college hall and performed vanjipattu in the cultural evening(9th february).



Medley Concert

On February 13th 2023 , the Malayalam literary society in collaboration with the Music society conducted the medley concert . The event happened in the college hall at 5pm and had almost 50 participants including instrumentalists and vocalists. In the medley concert, the emphasis was given on songs in Malayalam, Tamil and Hindi languages.



Kaliyattam - The annual fest of MLS

Kaliyattam - our annual fest happened on 29th and 30th March 2023. The 10th anniversary of MLS was also observed . On 29th March , we witnessed the most vibrant publicity stunt in the campus - the Pulikali Starting from the science block and cafe tree, almost 20 junior members dressed as tigers roamed around the college finally gathered in the mess lawns for a small performance. 30th March marked the second and most important day of kaliyattam . We were honored to have with us , Mr Anuroop Sunny, first president of MLS as chief guest for kaliyattam and the anniversary celebrations. The events for the day started at 4pm in the mess lawns with the inaugural address by the chief guest followed by cake cutting. Several artforms of Kerala - Mohiniyattam, margamkali , Oppana and nadan pattu - were performed proclaiming the rich and varied culture . Later in the evening, a stage play in malayalam language titled Edappally was performed in the college hall in collaboration with Sabha, the multilingual theatrical society. The play told the story of the life of Edapally Raghavan Pillai - a poet and writer and his contemporaries. A food stall was set up introducing various snacks of Kerala.



Chai pe charcha

Chai pe charcha - an informal discussion and open mic was conducted on 19th April 2023 in the scr lawns. Discussions were done on many topics and several junior members came up either for a performance or to share their experiences. Kerala snacks with sulaimani were also distributed.



Samantharangal - our literature blog

Samantharangal (trans. Thoughts rendered into words) is a literature blog maintained by Vykhari - the literary vertical of the Malayalam literary society. Through the blog , we emphasize Malayalam movies, books and festivals of Kerala through the perspectives of our writers. Articles are posted on a weekly basis.

This is the annual report of the Malayalam literary society for the academic year 2022-23.