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**OUT & ABOUT**

### LITERARY TRIBUTE TO KANNADASAN

**Date: April 27**

**Venue: Tropicana Hotel**

Bharathi Association Literary Wing is planning to conduct a Literary Tribute to Kannadasan who is attributed as "Kaviarasu" which means "King of Poets", on this coming Friday at Tropicana Hotel, Mahooz at 6.30 pm.

Professor Lion P.M.Mansure, a great Tamil Scholar, Former Vice Principal of Jamal Mohammed College and Former Principal of M.I.T., Tiruchirappalli will be giving a speech on Kannadasan with a comparative study on his works with Tamil literature of "Sangam" age. Prof. Mansure is on short private visit to Bahrain and he is well versed in Tamil Literature. Kannadasan has contributed nearly 5000 film lyrics apart from 6000 poems and 232 books including novels, epics, plays, essays, his most popular being 10 religious essay on Hinduism, "Arthamulla Hindumatham" (Meaningful Hindu Religion).

Tamil Literary Enthusiasts are all welcome for this brainstorming literary session. Entry is free.

### 26TH ANNUAL HERITAGE FESTIVAL - MEMORY OF MUHARRAQ

**Date: 25 April - 5 May 2018, 5:00 - 9:30 pm**

**Venue: Events Tent By Arad Fort**

Under the Patronage of his Majesty King Hamad Bin Isa AlKhalifa, the 26th Annual Bahrain Heritage Festival brings the island's unique culture to the forefront and showcases the variety and diversity of local heritage. The festival portrays the theme of "Memory of Muharraaq" which features

exhibition spaces, craftsmen, workshops, food vendors, and live traditional music. It also offers a chance to see some of Bahrain's finest craftsmen at work. A balanced mixture of contemporary and traditional products at the souq which is surrounded by Bahraini cafes and offers the visitor to experience flavours of the Kingdom.

### THE 13TH SPRING OF CULTURE FESTIVAL

**Date: February - April 2018**

**Venue: Different Locations**

The 13th edition of the Spring of Culture Festival brings with it a treasure trove of surprises that cover the different interests and tastes of the culture and art audience. Hosted by the Kingdom of Bahrain's numerous cultural institutions, historical sites and landmarks, the festival's wide variety of events, programs and activities continue to build bridges of cultural communication between Bahrain and the rest of the whole world.

This year's edition of the festival is part of the Bahrain Authority for Culture and Antiquities' celebration of Muharraaq, the Capital of Islamic Culture in 2018, in which it highlights the deep-rooted heritage and traditions of this ancient city, particularly the history of pearl diving, a glorious history whose details are revealed by the Pearling Trail, Bahrain's second site to be inscribed as UNESCO World Heritage site.

The festival kicks off in conjunction with Arab Tourism Day, an initiative which was adopted when Manama was the 2013 Capital of Arab Tourism to mark the anniversary of the birth of the Arab traveler Ibn Battuta.

### EVENING CONVERSATION: "THE MAGIC OF NATURAL PEARLS"

**Date: 30 April 2018, 7:00pm**

**Venue: Bin Matar House**

In collaboration with the Pearling Path, the Parisian-based L'Ecole Van Cleef & Arpels brings together two pearl experts: Talal Mattar, a 6th generation pearl merchant from one of the oldest pearl merchant families in the Kingdom of Bahrain, and Olivier Segura, Director of the French Gemological Laboratory (LFG) and natural pearl expert, for an insightful discussion about this gem that has fascinated civilizations since ancient times.

### TRIBUTE TO THE TRINITY

**Date: May 3**

**Venue: Bahrain Society of Engineers auditorium**

'Samarpan', an entity formed by Carnatic musicians in Bahrain seeks to promote Indian classical music. The upcoming program, "Tribute to the Trinity", the first ever in Bahrain, will be held on 3rd of May at the Bahrain Society of Engineers auditorium at 7pm under the aegis of Convex Corporate Events.

The Trinity of South Indian classical music refers to the outstanding trio of composers Thyagaraja Swamy, Mutthuswamy Dikshitar and Shyama Sastri. These 18th century contemporaries were prolific composers and are known for creating a new era in the history of South Indian classical music. To celebrate their genius, the local musicians and students of music will be rendering renowned compositions of the trinity.

### KNIGHTS OF RIZAL BOWL-O-RAMA

**Date: May 4**

**Venue: Dana Mall**

The Knights of Rizal, a Filipino Community organization chartered under Philippine Laws, will open its annual activities with a one-day bowling tournament to be held on Friday, 4th of May 2018 under the auspices of the Philippine Embassy in Manama, tagged as "Bowl-O-Rama."

It is expected that the bowling tournament will be participated by Knights of Rizal members from the Middle East region, most particularly from the Eastern Province of Saudi Arabia. It will be a day for Family, Food and Fun for OKOR members and their families.

This annual gathering in Bahrain of knights from the GCC region showcases the strong bond and camaraderie among members and chapter of the KOR in the region. The organization which was named after the Philippine national hero, promotes patriotism, civic works, nationalism and educational programs among the Filipino youth. Occasionally, it also extends assistance to distressed OFWs in the Kingdom of Bahrain and elsewhere.

Trophies and medals, as well as door prizes and tokens, will be given away to the winners and participants. Companies interested to sponsor the event may kindly coordinate with Rene Caceda through mobile no. 33456449.

The tournament is open to the public and entries should be composed of a 5-man team plus one alternate.