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Institute of Science and Technology
Kattankulathur-603 203



Newsletter-2021

Department of English (FSH)

English Department



The Department of English was started in 2003 offering General English course to only one major Department: B.Sc. Biotechnology. From the month of August 2020, the department functions with under graduation and post-graduation in the field of literature. It also, offers General English course to nine departments.

The faculty members consistently enrich themselves in a variety of ways such as participating and conducting seminars, conferences, and workshops, presenting papers and publishing articles.

Once every three years the department invites highly qualified and experienced academicians to revise the syllabus so that students get a more contemporary view of current society. The present syllabus is set with the objective of catering to students of all backgrounds irrespective of the medium of instruction they had studied in school. The syllabus is equally balanced with Literature as well as the technical and functional use of the English Language, keeping in mind the job market.

Besides curriculum the department has its own club, The English Literary Club called Eurhythmy conducts various competitions like, Quiz, Extempore, Debate, Elocution, Essay Writing, Poetry Writing, Collage, and Calligraphy. As part of co-curriculum, it organizes seminars or conference annually. It also encourages the students to participate in inter-collegiate competitions.

In 2007 the department organized a State Level Workshop on Grooming Graduates for the Job Market and a Workshop on Poetry Writing; a State Level Seminar on Attitude Skill and Knowledge-The Art of Leadership in 2008; a State Level Seminar on Lingua Franca in 2009; and a National Level Conference on Linguistic Imperialism in 2011.



Dr. K. Shantichitra, Associate professor, Head of the department of English, prolific writer, director; a multifaceted personality has been awarded: “The Brand Republic – Tamil Nadu Women Achievers Award”, in the category of Literature and Art on 09-03-2001.



Dr. V. Vennila, Assistant professor, has been awarded: “Excellence Teaching in Higher Education” by Arunai International Research Foundation (AIRF AWARDS) on 25-11-2017. Ceremony held on Ambica Empire, Vadapalani, Chennai.



Dr. S.V. Karthiga, Assistant professor, has been awarded: “The Best Research Award-2021” by Magic Book of Records: Document of Amazing and Incredible work on 17-04-21.



Resource Person

Dr. K. Shanthichitra, an exponent, delivers lecture on “women and Literature-Critical Perspective” in Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education and Research, on 18-09-20 at 11 a.m.

In “The Writers Convention”, as a writer, she expressed her views on “The Art of Creative Writing” in Kamaraj College Tuticorin, on 13-07-2020 at 3.00 p.m.

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0QE4Ofrrd7s&aap=desktop>)

The literarian with her literary pursuits, gives a talk on her favourite genre ‘Cultural studies’. She incorporates the theory with literature and research in the topic “Critical Reflections of Literature and Culture in Research, organised by Holy Cross College, Trichy on 20-08-2020 at 4.00 p.m.

The multifaceted speaker, with her exception skill on Art and Direction collides ‘Literature with Cinema’ in Bishop Heber College, Trichy, on the topic “Literature and Cinema-A Phenomenological Study” on 03-05-20 at 3.00 p.m.



In Dr. M.G.R Educational and Research Institute, she pictures the importance of Digital Perspective through the topic “The Changing Faces of Language and Literature- A Digital Perspective”.

<https://wwwyoutu.be/nfckZ50C4RK>

The multilingual personality presents the importance of translation through the workshop with the title: “Translation and Research-A Contemporary Perspective”, organised by Sri Vasavi College, Erode, on 18.05.20 at 10.00 a.m.


MEENAKSHI ACADEMY OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND RESEARCH
DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH LITERATURE
CORDIALLY INVITES YOU FOR THE WEBINAR CONDUCTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH ON THE TOPIC
WOMEN AND LITERATURE - CRITICAL PERSPECTIVE
Resource Person
DR. SHANTHICHITRA

Writer
Head and Associate Professor
Department of English
Faculty of Science & Humanities
SRM, Chennai
Date: 18. Sep 2020
Time: 10.00 A.M. - 11.00 A.M.
Meeting ID: <https://meet.google.com/sts-azqg-opp>
Co-ordinators
Dr. J. Shanthi, Principal, MAHER-FHS
Mrs. Padmapriya Prakash, Asst. Professor, Dept. of English

THE WRITERS' CONVENTION
INTERNATIONAL WEBINAR
Organized by
The Department of English (SRM)
JULY 13th
Session I: 3.00 p.m. (IST)
THE ART OF CREATIVE WRITING
Published Author
Associate Professor and Head
Department of English
Faculty of Science and Humanities
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Dr. K. Shanthichitra
Session II: 4.00 p.m. (IST)
Session III: 5.00 p.m. (IST)
Session IV: A Conversation with Lydia Ols Taiwo
Published Author
Chartered Scientist
& others
United Kingdom

Dr. Lydia Ols Taiwo
Contact: 938 084 9559 Password: 731516
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THOCTURUKUM
Accredited with B Grade
Affiliated to Manonmaniam Sundaranar University
TAMIL NADU, INDIA
Dr. P. Shanthi, Mr. & Mrs. Sakshi Prem, Mrs. M. Shyamala, Dr. A.M. Tony Mathew, Dr. D. Nagarajan
Head of the Department, Director, UPE, Principal

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Tiruchengode - 620 001, Tirunelveli, India
PG & Research Department of English
Cordially invites you for the webinar conducted by the
English Literary Association of Shift I & II
On the topic
Critical Reflections of Literature and Culture in Research
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Chennai
DATE: 20.08.2020 (THURSDAY)
TIME: 4.00 pm to 5.00 pm
Register here: <https://forms.gle/9d35Xm9dK0Z7>
• E-certificates will be provided.
• Registration closes on 18.08.2020
Join us on


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Tiruchirappalli-620017
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Organizes
A Webinar on
Literature & Cinema - A Phenomenological Study
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Head/ Associate Prof.
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SRM Institute of Science & Technology, Kattankulathur, Chennai

About Webinar
The aim of the Webinar is to provide opportunity to the fraternity of english literature and experience in person with their peers expected to join from different places.
3 PM
28 MAY

Dr. M.G.R EDUCATIONAL AND RESEARCH INSTITUTE
(Deemed to be University)
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FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SCIENCE
KODIAMBATTUR CAMPUS
Organizes
A Five Day National Level E-FDP on
"THE CHANGING FACES OF LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE-A DIGITAL PERSPECTIVE"
11th May to 15th May 2020
(Timings : 11 am to 12 noon on all days)
Speakers

Dr. K. Shanthichitra
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Registration is free.
E-Certificates will be provided to participants on completion of an assignment.
Google Meet / YouTube link will be sent to the registered participants through email.
Registration Link:
<https://tinyurl.com/yg3p4p4d>

SRI VASAVI COLLEGE, ERODE
Department of English
7 Day International Web Workshop On
"Translation and Research - A Contemporary Perspective"
Let's catch up through Google Meet
10 a.m to 11.30 a.m from 15.05.2020 to 21.05.2020
Day 4
18/05/2020
Topic : "Cultural Impingement - A Potential Hurdle in Translation"
By
DR. SHANTHICHITRA
Asst. Prof. & Head, Department of English,
SRM Institute of Technology - Kattankulathur,
Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India.

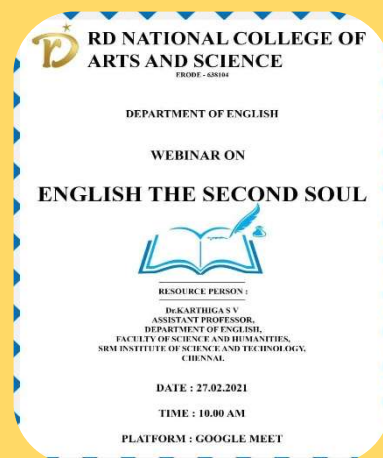
Program Schedule
Opening Note & Profile of Speaker : **Dr. N. Myrthili**
Keynote Address : **Dr. Shanthichitra**
Feedback & Discussion : Participants

Resource Person

Dr. S.V Karthiga, Assistant Professor, has expressed her views on “English for Employment”, a workshop conducted by Bishop Heber College, Trichy, on 27.02.2021.

As an eminent scholar, she provides her detailed observation on the English language through lecturing the topic “English the Second Soul”, organised by RD National College of Arts and Science, Erode, on 27-02-2021 at 10.00 a.m.

Playing her part in expertise, she explicates the importance of communication through “Zooming into Communication”, a webinar conducted by Selvamm Arts and Science College-Salem, on 28-04-2021 at 1.00 p.m.



Events 2020-21

Ms. Kalairani is an Indian actress who has worked in many Tamil films and as a performer with the Koothu-P-Pattarai theatre group.

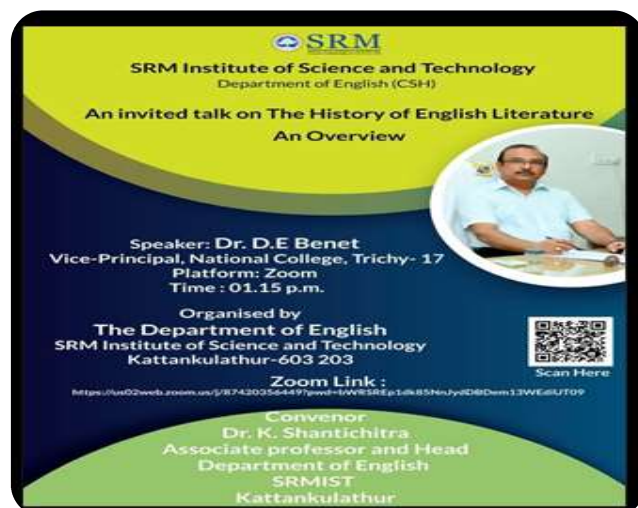
The South Indian actress, who has captivated millions of minds with her acting trains students through “Theatre Workshop” on 02-03-2020 in Mini Hall, SRM (FSH), at 9.00 a.m.



Mr. Krishna, Alumni of SRM, taught the students about the skills involved in practising the art of Ventriloquism. He interacted with students in multiple sessions and trained them to excel the art. “Theatre Workshop on a Stagecraft Ventriloquism” conducted on 5th December 2020 at 10.00 a.m.



Dr. D.E. Benet, Associate Professor, Department of English, National College, has given a talk on “The History of English Literature an Overview”. He touched the British historical background from Chaucer to the present age, organised by The Department of English, SRM (FSH).



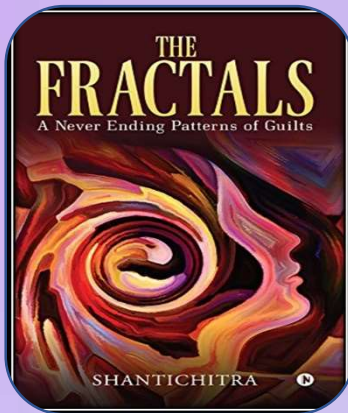
Publications

Books and Short stories and

Dr. K. Shantichitra has written three novels. She wrote, her first novel, *The Fractals: A Never Ending Patterns of Guilt*, published in 2018. The second novel, *Lonely Marriages: Tale of a Few Unreturned Love and Some Acknowledged Prejudices* was also published in 2018. Her third novel, *Intimate Strangers* was published in 2019. She also published a short story in Tamil titled “Meendum Oru Kaatchi Pizhai”. Inspired by Sigmund Freud, she made a character study on the Fictions of *Anita Nair: A Study of the structure of consciousness of the women characters*. Her novel *The Fractals* has been translated into Tamil as *Kaliyuga Kizhaviyum Onai Kuttigalum*.



K. Shantichitra
Head dept. of English
SRM(FSH)
Kattankulathur.



This novel is an opportunity for the modern women to identify themselves. The Fractals transcends from darkness and suffocation to an immaculate breath of life. Unsullied, evoking and graced with a perfect voice. – Rajathi Salma

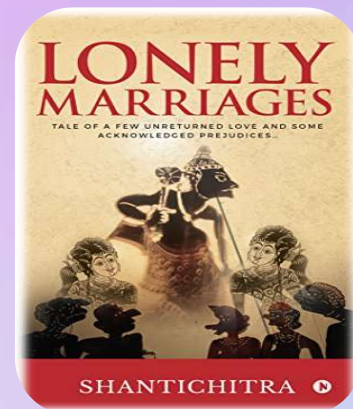
The Fractals is one of the greatest works of art... it's odd that after completion it made me numb and peaceful at the same time...

-Nalan Kumarasamy



Sita, a fragile woman with an estranged love life and a son with a questionable identity, seeks revenge on her friends by desiring for self, an amoral lifestyle of theirs. In the murky lane of her process of becoming what she wants to become, she learns life and its real nature.

Lonely Marriages



Intimate Strangers

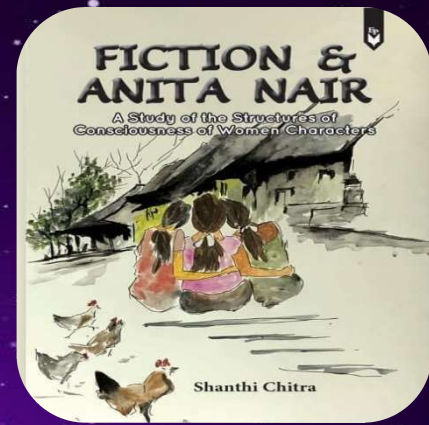


Intimate Strangers

Like a widow spider who consumes the male once the consummation takes place the women in the novel would be devouring the men by their demands. The men would seem had no life of their own but only slogging for settling the family and yet at the end none entirely satisfied.

Anita Nair is one such writer, who through her narratives and reconstructions of the collective psyche of women in India has permanently carved a place for herself for her unique understanding of women's own mind. Fiction in Anita Nair is an exploration of how to see through the consciousness of women and understand 'What a woman wants?'

Critical Analysis



Short Story (Tamil)

Meendum Oru Kaatchi Pizhai is a short story written in Tamil by the eminent storyteller Dr. K. Shantichitra. Through this story, she proves her intimacy with the language Tamil, especially with the way in which she narrated vedhalam and the connection between Seruppu and Tamil tolerance. The story was published in the journal titled 'Kanayazhi'.

Kaliyuga Kizhaviyum Onai kuttigalum, is translated by Dr. Jai Ganesh, Head of the department (Tamil), SRM (FSH). The first copy of the novel was released by the former Pro-Vice Chancellor Dr. Balasubramanian and received by the social activist Rajati Salma.

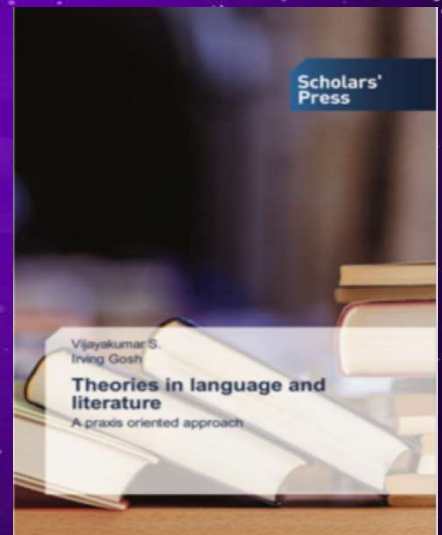
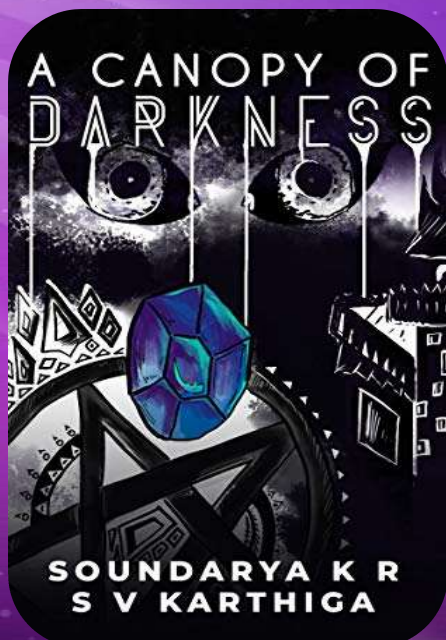
Translation Tamil



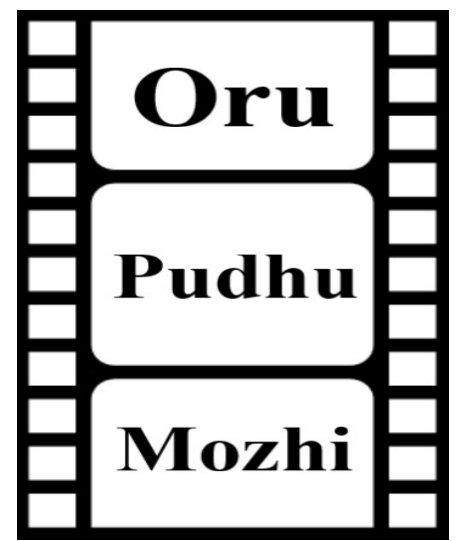
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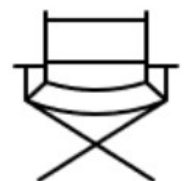
The citizens of the City of Gloom are in a constant state of sadness. The ruler of the City of Gloom, Lord Vindictive, makes the best use of power to control and conquer the surrounding cities. The Ministers of the City of Gloom try to destroy the city as much as possible. Destruction, to them, is construction. Minister Opportunist - the gossip monger, Minister Sly - the empowering invisible sex maniac, Minister Clingy - the gas lighter, Minister Flatterer - the masochistic soothsayer, Minister Overprotective - the shape fluid twitch, Minister Waver - the wanderer, Minister Narcissist - the proud sadist forms the court of the Lord Vindictive.



Book chapter - dimensions in literature and the realms of consciousness in the book theories in language and literature.



A short film on the life of a Transgender was written and directed by Dr. K. Shantichitra, as part of the gender studies PG program. The students and faculty members of various departments of CSH SRMIST were part of it. The film is now sent to international film festivals for a worldwide screening.



Dr. K. ShantiChitra

List of Publications in Scopus and Care group of Journals

S. No	Name	Scopus Publications	Care National	Care International	Total
1	Dr. K. Shantichitra	20	43	12	75
2	Dr. V. Vennila	4	3	3	10
3	Dr. S.V. Karthiga	8	5	5	18
4	Dr. L. Shalini Infanta	7	3	4	14
5	Mr. C. Frederick Jorgenson	2	-	5	7
6	Dr. Esme Robina	-	3	3	6
7	Dr. C.S. Arunprabu	4	3	1	8
8	Dr. Siffo Kumeds	-	3	-	3

Conference and Workshop

S. No	Name	Conference National	Conference International	Workshop	Total
1	Dr. K. Shantichitra	10	7	7	24
2	Dr. V. Vennila	6	4	18	28
3	Dr. S.V. Karthiga	5	15	7	27
4	Dr. L. Shalini Infanta	3	7	1	11
5	Mr. C. Frederick Jorgenson	4	-	3	7
6	Dr. Esme Robina	2	2	-	4
7	Dr. C.S. Arunprabu	1	1	1	3
8	Dr. Siffo Kumeds	6	7	1	14