





WRITERS' ASSOCIATION

Kristu Jayanti (Deemed To Be University), Bengaluru, Karnataka, India

Experiential Visit:

An Immersive Literary Journey to RK Narayan's House, Mysore

Date: 27 September 2025

On September 27, 2025, 106 students from the Writers' Association of Kristu Jayanti (Deemed to be University), accompanied by four faculty members, embarked on an enriching journey to two of Mysore's most significant literary landmarks. Their first destination, RK Narayan's house, offered an intimate exploration of the life and work of one of India's most beloved writers. Within the modest walls of Narayan's residence, students were able to grasp the profound simplicity that defined his storytelling. The experience highlighted the nuances of crafting powerful narratives from the ordinary, teaching the students that true literary excellence often lies in the subtle details and human connections that echo in everyday life.





The second part of the journey took them to the Oriental Research Institute, where the vast collection of ancient manuscripts deepened their understanding of literary history. The rare texts on display illuminated the importance of preservation and scholarly diligence in shaping the future of literature. Together, these experiences helped the students appreciate the delicate art of writing—understanding that being a Good writer is not just about telling a story, but about weaving it with care, respect for tradition, and an unwavering commitment to capturing the essence of the human experience. This Experiential Learning trip left the students not only inspired but profoundly reflective on their own potential as writers.

EVENT DIARY

Auditions for Wordsmiths

Date: 07 August 2025

The Writers' Association of Kristu Jayanti (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru conducted its much-awaited Auditions 2025 on 7th August 2025. The event was held across three venues - Conference Hall A1 (Plenary Hall), Admin Block, and the Conclave Hall of the Admin Block - to accommodate the overwhelming participation. The auditions aimed to identify and nurture budding writers with a passion for creative expression and literary engagement. Reflecting Association's vision, the event celebrated the idea that writing is not just about well-shaped sentences but also a deeper reflection of one's voice, thoughts, and soul. The response was remarkable, with nearly 415 students enthusiastically turning up for the auditions. Participants showcased their unique voices through poetry, prose, and other creative forms, making the selection process both exciting and challenging. The Writers' Association continues to serve as a vibrant platform for young talents to grow, collaborate, and share their literary journeys.



WELCOME TO WRITERS ASSOCIATION POPULATION PO

Orientation

Date: 25 August 2025

The Writers' Association of Kristu Jayanti (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru, held its Orientation Programme 2025 on 25th August at the M1 Auditorium, Science Block, from 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm. The event welcomed new members and introduced them to the Association's vision and initiatives. Faculty coordinators highlighted the Association's mission of nurturing young voices and promoting creativity through poetry, fiction, essays, and critical reflections. Students were briefed on upcoming activities for the year, including workshops, poetry readings, competitions, and collaborative publications. Emphasizing writing as both self-expression and cultural dialogue, the session inspired students to actively participate and grow as writers. The auditorium resonated with enthusiasm, fostering a sense of belonging and creative energy. The Orientation Programme marked the beginning of a vibrant year, setting the stage for literary exploration and empowering students to make their mark in the creative landscape of Kristu Jayanti University.

EVENT DIARY

Writers' Cafe: Episode 3



Date:01 September 2025

The Writers' Association of Kristu Jayanti (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru, organised the third episode of its Writers' Café series on 1st September 2025 at St. Chavara Square. The event witnessed the enthusiastic participation of 105 students, who came together to share their passion for writing. The café-style setting provided an open and relaxed atmosphere that inspired participants to express their thoughts, with language, and exchange creative insights. Through interactive discussions, students explored different perspectives on storytelling, imagination, and the writing process. The informal ambience encouraged spontaneity, making the session lively and engaging. Many participants contributed original ideas and reflected on their personal experiences as budding writers. The Writers' Café has become a much-anticipated initiative on campus, fostering a community of young writers who learn, collaborate, and grow together. This episode once again highlighted the Association's commitment to nurturing creativity, enhancing literary appreciation, and building confidence in self-expression

A One Day Poetry Workshop



Date: 02 September 2025

A one-day poetry workshop, "The Alchemy of Words: Turning Emotions into Verse", was held on September 2, 2025, at the Conference Hall, Admin Block (AI Auditorium). Dr. Shintu Dennis, Assistant Professor and poet from St. Joseph's College, Kerala, guided 76 participants in transforming emotions into verse, exploring the connection between feelings and language, and encouraging experimentation with imagery and personal style. The interactive session fostered a lively and inspiring atmosphere, with Dr. Dennis's practical tips and encouraging feedback helping participants overcome creative inhibitions and gain confidence in their writing. Attendees found fresh perspectives on crafting poetry, discovered new techniques to express emotions authentically, and appreciated how verse can become both a personal outlet and a medium to connect with others. Many expressed that the workshop deepened their love for poetry, reinforced the value of creative exploration, and inspired them to continue developing their unique literary voices.

Alumni Interaction Series: Echoes Within - Speaking to the Self

Date: 09 September 2025

The Writers' Association of Kristu Jayanti (Deemed to be University) hosted an inspiring Alumni Interaction session on the 9th of September. "Echoes Within – Speaking to the Self", at the A1 Auditorium. Dr. Javairia Nousheen, M.A. English alumna (2015-2017) and Assistant Professor at Jain (Deemed-to-be University), Bengaluru, shared her journey from student to educator and writer, reflecting on selfdiscovery, resilience, and passion. Her acclaimed anthology Tides Within: Conversations with Myself guided discussions on inner dialogue and creative growth. The session offered students valuable insights, fostered alumni-student connections, and inspired participants to embrace introspection while pursuing their dreams with renewed enthusiasm.



EVENT DIARY

International Lecture Series on "The Machine as Muse: AI and the Art of Storytelling"

Date:16 September 2025

The Writers' Association of Kristu Jayanti (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru, organised an International Lecture Series on "The Machine as Muse: AI and the Art of Storytelling" on 16th September 2025 at 10:00 am in the A1 Auditorium. The lecture was delivered by Ms. Yasemen Özfındık Kotik, Lecturer at the School of Foreign Languages, Ankara Yıldırım Beyazıt University, Turkey. She gave an insightful presentation on the growing role of artificial intelligence in reshaping the art of storytelling. Highlighting AI as both a creative partner and a challenge to traditional authorship, Ms. Kotik examined its potential to inspire new narrative forms while also raising important ethical questions. The interactive session allowed students and faculty to reflect on the possibilities and limitations of AI in literature. The programme was highly appreciated for its relevance and thought-provoking discussions.



Tales and Verses - Episode No: 01



Date: 23 September 2025

On 23rd September 2025, the Writers' Association of Kristu Jayanti (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru, hosted Tales and Verses at the H2 Auditorium as part of its Live Literature Series. The event provided students with a vibrant platform to showcase poetry and storytelling, exploring a wide range of emotions and themes. The morning featured poems celebrating life's simple joys, nostalgic reflections on childhood, poignant pieces on rejection and past regrets, and stories delving into friendship, grief, and belonging. Impromptu performances on creativity inspired the audience, while heartfelt poems on letting go offered moments of emotional reflection. The session concluded with a poem on second chances, symbolizing hope and rediscovery, followed by a lively musical jamming session that left participants feeling inspired and creatively fulfilled

Pen to Paper: The Author's Odyssey – Episode 02

Date:16 September 2025

The Writers' Association of Kristu Jayanti (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru, organised the second episode of its flagship series, "Pen to Paper: The Author's Odyssey", on 16th September 2025 at 2:00 pm in the H2 Auditorium. The session featured C. Madan Mohan, a prolific student author from the V Semester BA English Literature. As part of the series, which celebrates young literary voices, Madan Mohan shared his journey as a budding writer and reflected on the challenges and inspirations that have shaped his creative path. His talk highlighted the power of storytelling and the importance of nurturing literary aspirations among students. The programme served as an engaging platform for peer learning and creative exchange. Students and faculty members appreciated the initiative, which continues to inspire emerging authors to transform their ideas into meaningful literary contributions.





FLOWERS AND WEEDS

You were just poetry, I will hide you there so you can live forever. However the world will forever frown upon me if I attempt to hide a treasure, they consider their own.

Down to earth that's what they call you and title me as the darkness that lurches.

I wish for a world where love and dignity had nothing to do with forefathers and blood.

But alas, it is a dream far fetched not fulfilled even with hoping against hope.

And so you stand in front of my nameless grave, weeping at the grass and screaming at a sky that is silenced in shame.

Now my love go to sleep, try to fall in love with the world that despises the very love you possess.

And in the meanwhile I will wait patiently with a grass knitted tiara and flowers waiting to be tucked behind your ears.

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AN YEAR OF QUIET RETURNS

On a gloomy and rainy morning, Realising another year has passed Planning to go on a solo date as every year, Nothing changed just the perspective of life that changed.

Exploring the new leaves and the coldness of rain and the warmth of the broth watching from a distance the gloomy sky Returning to home and being in your own comfort replicating the drawings in the dark gloomy room.

At night preparing a good supper and watching the rain and the gloomy sky falling back to the comfort dreams.

I WILL BE YOUR POLE STAR

It's true that moon is everyone's favorite But my eyes admire the star standing next to him. The one who glows and shines the brightest But is overlooked because of the beauty beside him. It's true that moon is the most beautiful But I like the pole star more Because I see his beauty that reflects in the dark. Where there are billions of stars in the sky, Only he, who stands out. I am a person who can never be someone's moon. No one would ignore my dark spots And admire me from afar. But trust me, instead I can be a pole star. The one who shines the brightest And spreads his light to everyone. The star who shows the way And leads people to their destination. Though there are billions of stars I promise, I will be the most beautiful one. The one who will shine to light your dark world.

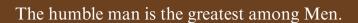
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In this universe, I will be your pole star.

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YOUR VOICE, YOUR CHOICE

Ananya had lived the same cycle for three years—wake up before dawn, bury herself in books, and sleep with the weight of expectations pressing her chest. She gave her NEET attempt once, twice, thrice. Each time, the results cut her deeper. She had cleared, but never with the rank she wanted. Not enough for a government medical seat.

Relatives sighed, neighbors compared, and her father's silence felt heavier than words. She could feel the unspoken disappointment in every corner of her home.

But Ananya wasn't ready to give up her dream of becoming a doctor. If India had closed doors, she was determined to open new ones. She told her parents she wanted to study MBBS abroad.

Her mother's eyes filled with worry. Her father's voice thundered: "No. Abroad is waste of money. Enough of your attempts. You should think practical now. Stay here, do some other course."

That night, Ananya cried into her pillow, but something inside her shifted. For years, she had let others decide her worth—marks, ranks, opinions. But this time, she knew: This is my life. My dream. My choice.

The next morning, her hands trembled, but her voice was steady as she faced her parents. "Appa, I respect you. But this is my vision. Medicine is not just a dream, it is my calling. Abroad doesn't mean failure—it means opportunity. If I stop now, I will lose myself. I want to become a doctor, and this is my choice."

Her father's face hardened, but he saw something new in her eyes —clarity, conviction, fire. After days of silence, he finally sighed, "If this is truly what you want... we will support you." Months later, Ananya sat on the plane, passport in hand, staring at the clouds outside. She opened her journal and began writing:

"For years, I thought failure defined me. But today I know—our voice has power. I chose not to stay silent. I chose my path. And as I fly toward my future, one truth stays with me: Your voice is your choice."

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THE MIST LIFE

A rose that didn't bloom, yet stands alone. Criticized by all, in the garden's throne. Lured by shine, I choose to walk in a path Of mirrors, As I came closer it was a path Of broken glasses.

Dazzled by promises I step on shards of dreams. I saw my tears fall like rain,

a heart in vain misery expressed In an expressionless face.

Crimson droplets dripping for redemption reflected by the broken mirrors.

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IN BETWEEN

There are chats I don't delete, I don't read them, They just exist. As if my life has paused, Maybe for now, Maybe forever. Perhaps I'm afraid of the feelings, The ones I swore never to feel again. Bittersweet echoes of midnight texts, Each word carved from my heart. But do they hold the same weight On the other side? I don't know. I really wish it did. I stand in between, Letting go and holding on, Between memories and silence, Between life and death.

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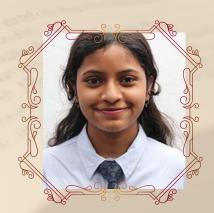
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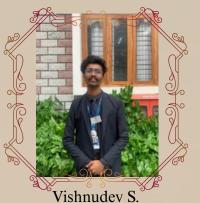
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