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Lingaya's Vidyapeeth hosts its cultural festival Zest every year and this year was no different. The students get an opportunity to display their talent and take a much-needed break from academics. The entire Lingaya's family works round the clock to make this annual cultural fest a great success and the much-awaited event is finally here. The chief guest Mr Ranvijay arrived amidst a lot of fanfare. The event started with the lamp lighting ceremony and a floral tribute to Ma Saraswati, the muse of art, culture and all education. The mix of talent, hard work and humility set the tone for the day.

The students then participated in a unity prayer where they displayed the significance of India's diverse cultural heritage. The Lingaya's anthem was played along with the teasers of past annual fests hosted by the Vidyapeeth. The Head of Controls gave a brief introduction of Lingaya's Vidyapeeth marking its silver jubilee with Zest 2k23.

This was followed by felicitating the chief guest Mr. Ranvijay by Honourable Vice Chancellor, Professor M P Gupta.. Mr. Ranvijay was full of enthusiasm and spoke at length about the importance of such occasions. He emphasized the role of such fests in the lives of students. He also reiterated that success should go hand in hand with staying humble. Even though he is a well-known celebrity he had no inhibitions in building a rapport with the audience. Film clippings of Mr Ranvijay held the audience spellbound. Before leaving, the guest of honour congratulated everyone for hosting such a grand event. The Convener ended the inauguration ceremony with a vote of thanks marking the opening of ZEST 2K23- Goonj.

Lingaya's Public School showcased its talented students in an energizing dance by primary school children. No event can begin without the invocation of Lord Ganapati. The students of Lingaya's Public school put in an excellent performance to seek the blessings of Lord Ganesha. This was followed by a graceful Bharatanatyam performance by Ms. Alisha. Her delicate movements were elegant and charming indeed. Any event without music will be soulless and the students of Lingaya's set the stage on fire with their musical performances one after the other. The audience then dispersed for taking part in the events organized by the Vidyapeeth.

Music Art & Dance Committee



musical The soulful performances were extremely difficult to judge. The events hosted by this committee were Stage play, Hindi duet song, Monologue, Hindi group song, Battle of Bands, Hindi solo and Nukkad Natak. The stage play was indeed an eye opener. Students performed on themes related to patriotism and human trafficking. However, the winning team which performed on Wagt Ki Karvatein stole the show and was declared the winner. It was a double celebration for the hosts as the winner was the home team.

Nukkad Natak is a way of disseminating information to the masses and the youth plays a significant role in driving the point home. Rawal College was the winner of Nukkad Natak. They spread awareness about the role of investments in the life of a common man through their performance.

Informal

The events hosted by this committee were Scavenger hunt, Reels Fire and Fun with blindfold. The scavenger hunt was meant to bring out the detective inside of us. The winners were Nikhil and Zishan from Lingaya's Vidyapeeth. The runner up was Ms. Khushi also from the home team.

The winner of Fun with blindfold were Monika and

Tanu from Lingaya's Vidyapeeth. The runners up were Mr. Om Prakash and Paras from DAV Centenary.

The winners for Reels Fire were Ashish and Anuj from Lingaya's Vidyapeeth.

Literary Events



Six events were hosted simultaneously by School of Humanities and Social Sciences. Just a Minute unleashed the creativity of young minds in putting their thoughts together in a minute. There were nine participants in all. The event was judged by Mrs. Sheeba Khalid and Mr. Rashid Shamim. The participants were given five minutes to prepare their speech. The topics was chosen on the spot by the participants from a bowl filled with paper chits. The judges were impressed with the spontaneity of the students. The first position was bagged by Mr. Suraj from DAV College and Ms. Muskan from Rawal college.



Poetry - Poetry is the spontaneous overflow of powerful feelings said the famous poet William Wordsworth. His ideology came alive in this event, that was fiercely contested. The activity had nine participants. The event was judged by Ms. Vanshika Batra and Ms. Ranjana. The first prize went to Sanchit from DAV (IM) and the second prize went to Mohit from Lingaya's Vidyapeeth.

Poster Making

A picture is worth a thousand words. Expressing ideas and views through colours is one of the best ways to convey your thoughts. The theme of the event was *Dreams and Consciousness*. Eleven participants took part in the event. Rawal college bagged the event by winning two prizes. The first prize was won by Ms. Nisha and the second prize went to Mr. Suraj Kumar.

Spell Bee competition is a unique way to familiarize students with new words and vocabulary, as they get exposed to root words. The game is very simple and is conducted to give students, a platform to learn spellings in different ways. Ten participants took part in the event. The first position went to Ms. Vanshika and the second prize went to Mr. Om Prakash.

Quiz Competition

The little gray cells must be exercised. The Quiz contest had a total of twelve teams. The winning team members were Boby Bhati, Swaraj Sharma, Om Prakash and Paras.

Pictionary

The event had five participating teams and was conducted in three rounds. The winning team members were Muskan and Vanshika from Rawal college.



Fashion Show

No event can be complete without a fashion show. The student's participation was electrifying. The show started with a performance by the students of FDDI,

Noida. They showcased self-designed garments inspired by the tribes of India. The theme chosen by Jagannath Community College was Mishran, which showcased an amalgamation of textiles from different regions of India. Body shaming, standing up to bullying and the conflict between good and evil were some of the themes touched upon. The students weaved magic in the air with spellbound performances. The teams also touched upon the importance of keeping our cultural heritage alive through their creative ensemble. They emphasized the need for reviving our handloom industry. Women were encouraged to explore their creativity and not be bogged down by what people say. Seven teams participated in the event. The winner was the home team, Lingaya's Vidyapeeth. Their theme was to create awareness about sex workers and the need to integrate them with the larger society and stop their discrimination. This theme touched a raw nerve with the audience as well as the judges. The second prize went to Ramanujan college. The show was meant not just as a display of clothes but also as a way of spreading awareness of social causes. Needless to say, that all the participants were amazing to look at. Dr Sarika Dixit was instrumental in keeping the whole event together.

End Of Day One Of ZEST 2K23

The events carried on till late in the evening but the enthusiasm of the audience was unabated. They cheered for their teams to keep their morale high. Finally, the day drew to an end. We carried pictures in our minds that will stay with us for a lifetime. We were ready to be back again the following day with full gusto. May the Zest of Lingaya's carry on forever.



