

Event Schedule	Event Details	Facilitator/ Storytellers	Ticket Details	Venue
Day 1 – 17th February 2023				
11:00 am - 12:30 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Developing your Storytelling Presence - Workshop</p> <p>Do people really listen when you tell a story? Drawing on techniques from Stanislavsky, Philippe Gaulier, and Max Stafford-Clark you will learn to be centred and perform with greater precision and authenticity. Adult 18+</p>	Sita Brand	INR 300 Maximum 40 participants	KJSIM Red Auditorium
11:00 am - 12:30 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Way of the Medicine Stories Workshop</p> <p>This is a workshop based on a guided visualization or a group storytelling activity. This session explores the healing nature of specific stories and the traditional principles used in medical storytelling. Adult 18+</p>	Salil Mukhiya Koitsu	INR 300 Maximum 40 participants	KJSIM Blue Auditorium

1:30 pm - 3:00 pm	<p>The Red Thread of the Story - Workshop Here's a true mystery at the heart of storytelling: What makes your listener want to know what happens next? What is the "red thread" of the tale as it unfolds in our imaginations? Explore this mystery with Dan Yashinsky through a series of exercises, stories, and discussions. Suitable for newcomers and experienced narrators. Adult 18+</p>	Dan Yashinsky	INR 300 Maximum 40 participants	KJSIM Red Auditorium
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	<p>Inauguration Ceremony</p>		Included in day pass	Gargi Plaza
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	<p>Opening Showcase An evening of performance storytelling in English, Marathi, and Gujarati. Family audience</p>	<p>Dan Yashinsky, Salil Mukhiya Koitsu, Usha Venkatraman, Sita Brand, Prithviraj Choudhury, Sampada Joglekar, Utkarsh Majumdar Master of Ceremonies - Gurdip Wadwa Sial</p>	Included in day pass SVU Student INR 100	Gargi Plaza

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Day 2 – 18th February 2023				
10:00 am – 11:00 am	<p>The Stream of Stories... and it's Changing Course. Once upon a time, stories flowed free and wild, like water. Humans then channelled them into structured storytelling traditions. These traditions charted their own paths, through various lands, quenching people's thirst for knowledge and entertainment along the way. But as older ways gave way to modernism, dams of new challenges were erected over the stream of stories, forcing it to completely change course. Family Audience</p>	<p>Guest speaker Nalini Ramachandran</p>	<p>Included in day pass</p>	<p>Sakarben Karamshi Somaiya Sabhagruha</p>

<p>10:00 am - 11:00 am</p>	<p>Little Things That Matter! – Personal Stories We all are our stories, that we tell others and to ourselves! Telling and listening to these personal narratives aid us to love, learn, engage and entertain to live and thrive beyond borders and differences! Adult 16+</p>	<p>Shanty Rose, Geetanjali Shetty Kaul, Shelly Verma, Dr Aarti Punjabi, Sarita Shetty Curated by Shanty Rose</p>	<p>Included in day pass</p>	<p>KJSIM Red Auditorium</p>

<p>11:00am – 11:40am.</p>	<p align="center">Puppet Nani by The Puppeterians</p> <p align="center">Children’s Showcase</p> <p>'Puppet Nani' tells a story about the time she lived in a jungle, and about the cold night on which she just couldn't sleep! A story filled with animals, a mischievous thief, and messages of love, compassion, kindness, sharing and co-existence</p> <p>Children 5+</p> <p>Language: English (with a little mix of Hindi)</p>	<p>The Puppeterians</p>	<p>Included in the day pass</p>	<p>KitabKhana</p>
<p>11:45 am – 12:30 pm</p>	<p align="center">Resplendent Rasam – Kitchen Tales</p> <p>Join Janaki Sabesh – author, storyteller and actor, as she shares the story of 'Paati's Rasam', in "Resplendent Rasam". Janaki dishes out the most aromatic Rasam with special ingredients in this Kitchen Tale. Children 5+</p>	<p>Janaki Sabesh</p>		

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<p>11:00 am - 1:00 pm 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm</p>	<p>Stitching Narratives – Workshop Facilitator Nina Sabnani guides participants to work alongside artisans of Somaiya Kala Vidya Kendra using scraps of fabric. Adapting odds and ends to create and collage their stitching narratives. Adult 18+</p>	<p>Nina Sabnani</p>	<p>Included in day pass</p>	<p>KJ Somaiya Arts and Commerce College Conference room</p>

<p>11:30 am- 1:00 pm</p>	<p>The Future of Oral tradition of Storytelling in the Digital Era Panel Discussion Usha Venkartaman- Festival Director of Gaatha will moderate this discussion on the future of oral storytelling in the digital era with curators of storytelling festivals in India. Adult 16+</p>	<p>Sushmita Singha of Udaipur Tales, Shaguna Gehliote - Kathakaar Festival, Lavanya Prasad of Bangalore Storytellers Society , Eric Miller - Chennai Storytelling Festival Amrita Somaiya of Gaatha - Mumbai International Storytelling Festival. Moderated by Usha Venkatraman.</p>	<p>Included in day pass</p>	<p>Sakarben Karamshi Somaiya Sabhagraha</p>
<p>11:30 am - 12:30 pm</p>	<p>Spotlight Performance Marathi Marathi Storytelling Marathi storytelling by acclaimed storytellers Family audience</p>	<p>Madhavi Gharpure Rushikesh Dabolkar Srinivas Nervekar Meera Paranjpe Curated by Veena Sanekar</p>	<p>Included in day pass</p>	<p>KJSIM Blue Auditorium</p>

<p>2:00 pm – 3:00 pm</p>	<p>Dayro and Bharud Traditional Folk Performance Bharud, an old poetic form from 16th-century poets. The Bharuds are narrative songs conveying deeper spiritual meaning disguised at the surface level. Gujarati Dayro is known for lively music traditions of both folk and classical music. Family audience</p>	<p>Chanda Tai Tiwari - Barud Sanjay Thanki - Dayro</p>	<p>Included in day pass</p>	<p>Sakarben Karamshi Somaiya Sabhagruha</p>
<p>2:00 pm – 3:30 pm</p>	<p>Imagining The Unimaginable- Figurative Sculpting Workshop Join Mandakini Mathur as she explores through the medium of art the stories that have evolved at Devrai Art Village. Adult 18+</p>	<p>Mandakini Mathur</p>	<p>Included in day pass</p>	<p>KJSIM Red Auditorium</p>

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	<p align="center">Gillo Repertory Theatre works Children's Theatre</p> <p>BAAL MITHAI (a short play in Hindi) This is a play about the famous halwai, Dhan Singh. Every year Dhan Singh invents a new sweet for the museum of sweets, mithai ka sangrahalay. One year he invents Baal Mithai, but things don't turn out so well for this young sweet. Watch the play to find out whether Baal Mithai survives and finds a place in the museum of sweets or not.</p> <p>Family Audience</p>	Shaili Satyu and team	Included in day pass	Kalidas Auditorium, KJ Somaiya Arts and Commerce College
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	<p align="center">Intercollegiate – Final Storytelling Contest</p>	Babita Krishnan	Included in day pass	Tagore Amphitheatre
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	<p align="center">Unique Voices- Tales Beyond Indian Peninsula – International Showcase</p> <p align="center">Storytelling by International artists</p> <p align="center">Family audience</p>	Dan Yashinsky, Salil Mukhiya, Sita Brand	Included in day pass	Sakarben Karamshi Somaiya Sabhagraha

3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	<p>OLIO Hindi - Showcase Hindi Storytelling Performance Adult 16+</p>	<p>Jyothi Pande, Dr Aarti Panjabi, Sarita Nair, Meher Gehi Facilitated by Shalini Bajaj Surve</p>	Included in day pass	KJSIM Blue Auditorium
3:30 pm - 4:30 Pm	<p>Puppet Nani By The Puppetarians 'Puppet Nani' tells a story about the time she lived in a jungle, and about the cold night on which she just couldn't sleep! A story filled with animals, a mischievous thief, and messages of love, compassion, kindness, sharing and co-existence. Language: English (with a little mix of Hindi)</p> <p>Resplendent Rasam - Kitchen Tales Join Janaki Sabesh - author, storyteller and actor, as she shares the story of 'Paati's Rasam', in "Resplendent Rasam". Janaki dishes out the most aromatic Rasam with special ingredients in this Kitchen Tale. Children 5+</p>	<p>The Puppetarians Sanghya Ojha Hashim Haider</p> <p>Janaki Sabesh</p>	Included in day pass	Kalidas Auditorium, KJ Somaiya Arts and Commerce College

<p>4:30 pm – 5:00 pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Story Trails</p> <p>As the name suggests, a story always leaves a trail behind and is almost always part of an ongoing trail. We recreate the same for Gaatha with a collection of some known and some little-known stories in different languages and emotions as we walk around the Somaiya Vidyavihar campus trying to unravel and learn the Somaiya Story along the way. Family Audience</p>	<p>Babita Krishnan</p>	<p>Included in day pass</p>	<p>SVU trail</p>
<p>5:00 pm – 6:00 pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Dastan Miyan Azad ki – Urdu Spotlight</p> <p>Dastan Goi is a 13th-century Urdu oral storytelling art form. In this hugely popular Daastan, a compilation of anecdotes and encounters of its central character- Miyan Azad, will bring alive, the Lucknow of the post-1857 era. Family Audience</p>	<p>Valentina Trivedi Askari Naqvi</p>	<p>Included in day pass</p>	<p>Sakarben Karamshi Somaiya Sabhagrauha</p>
<p>5:00 pm – 6:00 pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Dastangoi Gujrati – Spotlight</p> <p>Dastangoi Gujarati means the best stories for Gujarati literature has been performed according to Urdu story telling tradition. Family Audience</p>	<p>Hiten Anandpara</p>	<p>Included in day pass</p>	<p>KJSIM Blue Auditorium</p>

<p>6:30 pm – 8:30 pm</p>	<p>Indian Storytellers Showcase Performance Storytelling</p> <p>A bilingual storytelling concert showcasing acclaimed Indian storytellers in their inimitable style. Family Audience</p>	<p>Anand Neelakantan, Janaki Sabesh, Kshamata Lad, Hema Subramanian Shelly Verma, Valentina Trivedi, Shaguna Gahilote Master of Ceremonies – Gurdip Sial</p>	<p>Included in day pass SVU Students – INR 100</p>	<p>Gargi Plaza</p>
<p>8:30 pm – 9:00 pm</p>	<p>Nava Rasa- Instrumental Storytelling through the emotions of Ragas</p> <p>Sarang Vechalekar, sitarist, weaves stories through the language of music. Music, unlike folklore and scripted stories, has a universal language. Each raga arouses a particular emotion and connects the listeners to it. This connection will transcend the listeners to the realm of the story. Family Audience</p>	<p>Sarang Vechalekar</p>	<p>Included in day pass</p>	<p>Gargi Plaza</p>

9:30 pm - 10:30 pm	<p>Ghost Stories</p> <p>Fright Awaits you in the open air at Katchi Haveli!! Listen to haunting stories by acclaimed storytellers</p> <p>Adults 18+</p>	<p>Dan Yashinsky, Sita Brand, Salil Mukhiya Koitsu, Hema Subramanian, Hosted by Usha Venkatraman</p>	Included in day pass	Katchi Haveli
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Day 3 – 19th February 2023				
10:00 am – 10:30am	<p style="text-align: center;">Story Trails</p> <p>As the name suggests, a story always leaves a trail behind and is almost always part of an ongoing trail. We recreate the same for Gaatha with a collection of some known and some little-known stories in different languages and emotions as we walk around the Somaiya Vidyavihar campus trying to unravel and learn the Somaiya Story along the way. Family Audience</p>	Babita Krishnan	Included in day pass	SVU trails
10:30 am – 11:30 am	<p style="text-align: center;">Ragas and Kathas – Musical Storytelling</p> <p>“Ragas and Kathas”, attempts to make classical music accessible through stories to a wider audience. Our featured storytellers will include Carnatic and Hindustani classical music and will paint visual pictures through their stories. Audience 12+</p>	Usha Venkatraman, Janki Sabesh, Mukta Dharma, Sunita Gangarade accompanied by Veena Sanekar	Included in day pass	Sakarben Karamshi Somaiya Sabhagruha

<p>10:30 am - 11:30 am</p>	<p>Soul of a Gardner - Nurturing self and environment while adapting to change Workshop A workshop with a healing touch where participants learn from nature to accept and surrender to the grand change while nurturing self and environment in the process. Adults 18+</p>	<p>Jyothi Pande and Geetanjali Shetty Kaul</p>	<p>Included in day pass</p>	<p>KJSIM Red Auditorium</p>
<p>11:00 am -12:30 pm</p>	<p>The Laughing Cauldron - Childrens Showcase Humour Tales for children by Indian and International Storytellers. Children</p>	<p>Dan Yashinsky, Salil Mukhiya, Sita Brand, Gitanjali Chandrashekharan, Shelly Verma, Sarita Shetty, Niyati Vaidyamehta</p>	<p>Included in the day pass</p>	<p>KitabKhana</p>

<p>11:30 am -12:30 pm</p>	<p>Pratima- Ramayan from Kaikeyi's perspective Sanskrit Spotlight प्रतिमा - The Image Ramayana - the journey of Ram to forest, but through the eyes of Kaikeyi! Was Kaikeyi responsible for the forest-dwelling of Rama. Or she was the one who saved the eldest son of the Raghu dynasty. Hear the other side of the story as narrated by Kaikeyi herself. A Hindi - Sanskrit adaptation of the 2500 years old Sanskrit play Family Audience</p>	<p>Prasad Bhide and SVU students</p>	<p>Included in day pass</p>	<p>KJSIM Blue Auditorium</p>
<p>12:00 noon - 1:00 pm</p>	<p>Sahayog with Nareshwadi Warli Tribes- Tribal Storytelling Children will showcase and celebrate the diversity of culture that provides a platform for them to intermingle with their peers from completely different lifestyles. Family Audience</p>	<p>Sherline Pimenta</p>	<p>Included in day pass</p>	<p>The Somaiya School Auditorium</p>

<p>12:00 noon - 1:00 pm</p>	<p>Threads of Time- People , Places and Possessions Heritage Storytelling</p> <p>Heritage Stories & Performing Arts (HSPA) is an initiative established with the intent to celebrate cultural heritage, share and transfer heritage knowledge through stories and performing arts. HSPA in collaboration with Gaatha brings to you stories narrated by well-known Indian storytellers. The stories of People, places and possessions that have been passed down through the threads of time. Family Audience</p>	<p>Lopamudra Mohanty, Lavanya Prasad, Simran Nangwani, Shalini Bajaj Surve, Rushikesh Dabholkar</p> <p>Curated by Sarita Nair and Hema Subramanian</p>	<p>Included in day pass</p>	<p>Sakarben Karamshi Somaiya Sabhagruha</p>
<p>12:00 noon -1:00 pm</p>	<p>Storytelling contest schools</p> <p>Finals of the School storytelling contest for Children- Aged 10-12 years.</p>	<p>Parveen Shaikh and Usha Venkatraman</p>	<p>Included in day pass</p>	<p>The Somaiya School Auditorium</p>
<p>12:00 noon - 1:00pm</p>	<p>Story Swap -</p> <p>Open call to share stories. On-the-spot registration. Family Audience</p>	<p>Conducted by Meher Gehi</p>	<p>Included in day pass</p>	<p>Katchi Haveli</p>

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	<p>The Six Yards Story - Saree tales of the Deccan Workshop</p> <p>Join Vrunda Sekhar as she narrates the journey of a specific weave of the Deccan, 'The Ilkal Sarees'. Traversing 1000 years through history, culture, traditions and customs. Adults 16+</p>	Vrunda Shekar	Included in day pass	KJSIM Blue Auditorium
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	<p>Hindi spotlight - Showcase</p> <p>Hindi Storytelling performance by acclaimed storytellers. Family Audience</p>	Jyoti Pande, Dr. Aarti Punjabi, Valentina Trivedi, Shelly Verma, Simran Nangwani	Included in day pass	Tagore Amphitheatre
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	<p>Powada - Folk storytelling performance</p> <p>Powada is a popular vocal music form of Folk music tradition of Maharashtra . It's a kind of melodious description of a heroic act. It is presented by a singer called " Shahir " along with his team. The Powada to be performed in this festival narrates the story of a heroic act of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. It will be presented by the students of K J Somaiya College of Arts and Commerce Family Audience</p>	Dr Prasad Bhide and team Vijay Patil	Included in day pass	Kalidas Auditorium

<p>2:00 pm - 3:00 pm</p>	<p>Cultural collections- India's history under colonial rule – History Trunkies What do cultural "collections" of writing, objects and art in the UK tell us about India's history under Colonial British Rule? History Trunkies will curate a number of objects from the UK [cultural institutions of museums, art galleries, libraries] that allow us to re-examine India's public heritage and why it can be controversial! Join us for participative storytelling as you become history detectives looking for clues... 12 years and above.</p>	<p>Curated and conducted by Savita Vij</p>	<p>Included in day pass On the Spot registration</p>	<p>The Somaiya School Auditorium</p>
<p>3:30 pm - 4:30 pm</p>	<p>Kathakshari – Storytelling Game Kathakshari is a storytelling game designed on the lines of Antakshari. The difference between Antakshari and Kathakshari is that the medium of the game will be stories instead of songs. On-the-spot registration. Family Audience</p>	<p>Conducted by Hema Subramanian</p>	<p>Included in day pass On the Spot registration</p>	<p>KJSIM Blue Auditorium</p>

<p>3:30 pm - 4:30 pm</p>	<p>Story Slam: Theme- Memories</p> <p>Story Slam celebrates storytelling by inviting participants to share brief stories with an audience. Participants deliver the stories verbally and stories are limited to 5 minutes. Stories should be around the theme - Memories. Registration on the spot. Names will be picked out of the hat. Adult 16+</p>	<p>Conducted by Shanty Rose</p>	<p>Included in day pass On the Spot registration</p>	<p>Kalidas Auditorium</p>
<p>3:30 pm - 4:30 pm</p>	<p>The Laughing Cauldron - Children's Showcase</p> <p>Humour Tales for children by Indian and International Storytellers. Children</p>	<p>Geetanjali Chandrashekar, , Geetanjali shetty kaul, Dan Yashinsky, Salil Mukhiya Koitsu Sita Brand Meher Gehi</p>	<p>Included in day pass</p>	<p>The Somaiya School Auditorium</p>

4:30 pm – 5:30 pm	<p>Olio English – Showcase</p> <p>English Storytelling by acclaimed Indian storytellers</p> <p>Family Audience</p>	<p>Meher Gehi, Geetanjali Shetty Kaul,</p> <p>Lopamudra Mohanty,</p> <p>Shanty Rose, Sarita Nair</p>	Included in day pass	KJSIM Red Auditorium
4:30 pm – 5:30 pm	<p>Abhinaya Katha – Dance & Stories</p> <p>Dance is an expression, a communication of thoughts and feelings! 'Abhinaya Katha' amalgamates abhinaya – dance expressions with oral storytelling.</p> <p>Audience !2+</p>	<p>Swapnokalpa Dasgupta,</p> <p>Pavitra Bhat, Lavanya Prasad Shalini Bajaj Surve</p>	Included in day pass	Sakarben Karamshi Somaiya Sabhagraha
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm	<p>Gajamukha –Kaleidoscope of Indian Storytelling Traditions</p> <p>Grand Finale</p> <p>Gajamukha – One Story...The mystical story of Gajamukha is presented through a kaleidoscope of five art forms – Poetry, Dance, Storytelling, Classical Music and painting. Curated and Ideated by Usha Venkatraman</p> <p>Family Audience</p>	<p>Usha Venkatraman, Hema Subramanian, Geetha Venkateshwar</p> <p>Anupama Devarajan Ketan Jawdekar Master of Ceremonies – Gurdip Wadwa Sial</p>	Included in day pass SVU Students INR 100	Gargi Plaza

7:00 pm – 7:30 pm	<p>Mersha Band – Sufi Rock</p> <p>Mersha - blending an iconic style of classical music and progressive rock with a unique selection of sounds to provide a surreal experience.</p> <p>Family Audience</p>	Oushnik Majumdar. Srinath Sridhar Siddharth Shenoy	Included in day pass	Gargi Plaza
7:30 pm – 8:00 pm	<p>Closing ceremony with Vote of Thanks</p>		Included in day pass	