



A DREAM IN THE BALCAO GOA OPEN ARTS
Fundraiser Exhibition
at Villa 259, Assagao Goa
10th Jan - 2nd Feb, 2025

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Goa Open Arts: Affordable Goan Art Exhibition

A Dream in the Balcao is a group show of works by artists from Goa.

As another year comes to a close, and we stand on the threshold of new beginnings, the balcao – a traditional Goan porch – becomes a metaphor for this space of transition. Neither fully inside nor outside, it offers a moment of pause between the familiar comforts of home and the expansive possibilities of the world beyond. The

artists in this exhibition reflect on life on either side of this metaphorical balcao.

The selected work represents a range of artistic mediums including painting, print, drawing, sculpture and photography. The exhibition is aimed at developing the art collector community in Goa with a range of work by local artists offered at affordable prices.

PARTICIPATING ARTISTS:

Ashish Phaladesai, Avani Tanya, Ayesha Seth, Divyesh Undaviya, Gaurang Naik, Ishaan Lamba, Meenakshi Nihalani, Nishant Saldanha, Pakhi Sen, Pradeep Naik, Shilpa Mayenkar, Shyam Pahapalkar, Tanushree Singh, Thomas Louis, Vihang Navgekar, Yash Korat.

This exhibition is organised by Goa Open Arts



Yash Korat



Ashish Phaladesai



Shyam Pahapalkar



Diptej Vernekar



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Thomas Louis



Pakhi Sen



Ishaan Lamba



Shilpa Mayenkar Naik

INNER HEALING AND DELIVERANCE RETREAT

Divine Mercy Retreat Centre Moira is organising an inner healing and deliverance retreat. This retreat is led by Vincentian fathers. Fr Rojan George VC who is

the director of Vincentian Retreat Melbourne, Fr Joy Kalayil VC and Fr Febin VC.
Venue: Pilar pilgrim centre
Date: Jan 16-19

SCREENING OF REBECCA

Cinephile Film Club will host the screening of the Alfred Hitchcock classic Rebecca (1940, 125 mins). Based on Daphne Du Maurier's novel, the film was nominated for 11 Academy Awards and won Best

Picture - the only Hitchcock film to do so.

The film stars Laurence Olivier as an aristocratic widower and Joan Fontaine as a young lady who becomes his second wife. The presence of

his first wife lingers through the film, making this a memorable thriller.

Venue: Maquinez Palace, Old GMC Complex
Date: January 16
Time: 6.30 pm

TRAVEL TRENDS 2025: PACKAGES, SET-JETTING & SOLO WOMEN TRIPS



The new year has arrived and travellers are busy planning their adventures for 2025. Data from a variety of sources shows that the coming 12 months promise to be especially busy ones for globetrotters. What will travel look like this year? And, more specifically, what sort of travel trends

are likely to define 2025?

Will slow travel continue to emerge as a popular approach to exploring new places? Has the trend of planning holidays based on film and TV locations finally subsided? And what new approaches to travel planning might we expect?

HERE IS WHAT EXPERTS AT ALL LEVELS OF THE TRAVEL INDUSTRY SAY IS ON TAP FOR 2025.

SOLO FEMALE TRAVEL:
In 2025, solo female travel continues to rise, with women now making up 80% of solo travelers globally. This surge is driven by a desire for independence, safety, and deeper cultural connections. Women are increasingly embracing adventure,

seeking meaningful experiences that empower them and foster stronger connections. It's about security without compromise and journeys that leave women inspired rather than just impressed.

PURPOSE & PRACTICE TRAVEL:
Travel is evolving into a results-driven practice, akin to yoga or meditation. In 2025, more travelers will seek journeys that enhance their physical, emotional, and spiritual health. This shift prioritizes the "why and how" of travel, with a focus on personal growth, clarity, and a deeper sense of connection. Transformational travel will be about cultivating a growth mindset and embracing the emotional and spiritual benefits of the experience.

THE 'PHENOMENA' LIST:

Natural phenomena are becoming a dominant focus in travel. With the success of the 2024 total solar eclipse, interest in awe-inspiring natural events like bioluminescent plankton,

firefly seasons, and rare celestial events will surge. Travelers are drawn to destinations that offer these captivating experiences, such as exclusive trips to witness the eclipse in Egypt or explore Iceland's volcanic landscapes and the Northern Lights.

ESCAPING THE CROWDS:

Gen Z and millennials are moving away from crowded tourist hotspots. A study by Intrepid found that 70% of young adults aged 18-35 and 61% of US adults prefer exploring lesser-known destinations. This shift helps alleviate the pressures of overtourism while enabling travelers to immerse themselves in authentic experiences and connect more deeply with local communities, fostering economic growth in lesser-known areas.



PRE-PACKAGED HOLIDAYS:

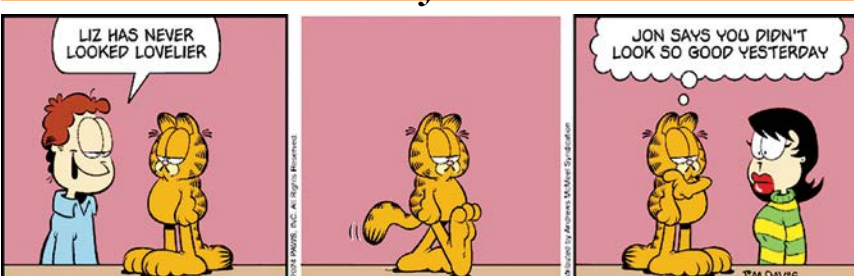
The rise of "one-click trips" is bringing pre-packaged holidays back in style, but with a modern twist. These trips are designed for convenience, offering curated, immersive experiences tailored to modern travelers. Social media plays a key role in shaping these itineraries, with personalized journeys that explore off-the-beaten-path locations, such as unique, hidden gems in destinations like Greece, where travelers can enjoy activities like truffle hunting and private yacht explorations.

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Dilbert



Garfield



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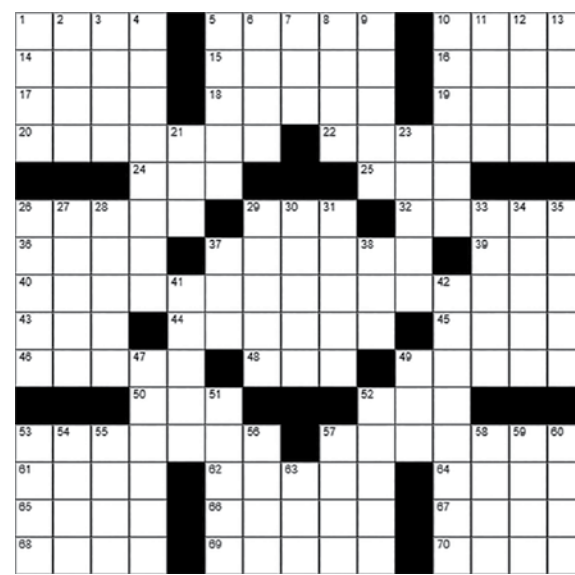
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ACROSS

1- Util. bill; 5- Hawkins of Dogpatch; 10- Support; 14- Gee whiz; 15- Nincompoops; 16- Half of zwei; 17- Nick and Nora's pet; 18- Send payment; 19- Some TVs; 20- Wanted; 22- Section; 24- Short snooze; 25- New Haven student; 26- With ___ of thousands; 29- Muesli bit; 32- Les ___; 36- Queens stadium; 37- Give, as homework; 39- Actress Farrow; 40- In spite of; 43- East ender; 44- Takes by theft; 45- Zeno's home; 46- Brings up; 48- Summer quaff; 49- The Pacific, for example; 50- Belonging to us; 52- "Fancy that!"; 53- In the place of; 57- White ant; 61- Actress Sofer; 62- Spud state; 64- Tell all; 65- Stuck, after "in"; 66- Less bananas; 67- I could ___ horse; 68- Competitive advantage; 69- Giving the once-over; 70- Tatum's dad;

DOWN

1-Old oath; 2- Diet successfully; 3- Ballpark figs.; 4- Woodcutter power tool; 5- Throat problem; 6- Impressed; 7- Not too bright; 8- How sweet ___; 9- Cosmetician Lauder; 10- Allow; 11- Starchy staple; 12- ___ epic scale; 13- Hey, over here!; 21- Rodent, betrayer; 23- First American to orbit Earth; 26- Moore's TV boss; 27- Task; 28- Big name in insurance; 29-



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Milo of "Barbarella"; 30- Syrian president; 31- Championship; 33- Miss by ___; 34- Fungal infection; 35- Astronomer Carl; 37- Court fig.; 38- Fuel type; 41- Magazine copy; 42- 12th month of the year; 47- Revolve; 49- Anthem contraction; 51- Elevate; 52- Conductor Solti; 53- Dies ___; 54- Dweeb; 55- Cozy; 56- WWII event; 57- At that point; 58- Now me down...; 59- Cheerio!; 60- Israeli statesman Abba; 63- Black bird;

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Instructions for Sudoku

9 x 9 letter: To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every number from 1 to 9 must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes

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9	1	6	8	3	4	7	5	2
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