

CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bangalore

Department of International Studies, Political Science and History

Activity Report

General Information

Type of Activity	Event
Title of the Activity	Talking Titans
Date	5 th April, 2022
Time	2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Venue	Room no: 105, 1 st floor, Central Block

Judge Profile

Name	Pratiksha Rai
Title/Position	PhD scholar, Department of International Studies, Political Science and History
Organization	CHRIST (Deemed to be University)

Name	Lily Pushpam,
Title/Position	PhD scholar, Department of English and Cultural Studies
Organization	CHRIST (Deemed to be University)

Participants Profile

Type of Participants	Students
No. of Participants	31

Synopsis of the Activity

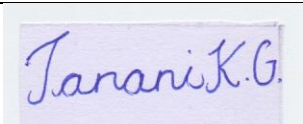
<p>Highlights of the Activity</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The event ‘Talking Titans’ is a contest conducted by the Literary club under Vrittanta, the association for undergraduate students of the Department of International Studies, Political Science and History, for its annual fest ‘Sangam’. 2. The contest was divided into two categories- Slam poetry and Just a Minute (JAM). 3. A total of 31 participants took part in the contest out of which 23 were part of Slam poetry, 12 in Just a minute and 4 participants in both the categories. 4. Under Slam poetry the participants are required to write a poem on their own beforehand on a theme of their choice and recite it on the date of the contest to the audience and get evaluated by a bench of judges on the basis of the content, style and the way the poem is being recited. Under Just a Minute, the participant would be given a topic on the spot, given a minute for preparation on the same and another minute to deliver their speech. 5. There would be three candidates who would qualify to be the winners under each category ranked 1st, 2nd and 3rd, receiving certificates of merit at the valedictory ceremony conducted on the next day (5th April, 2022 from 3:00pm – 4:00pm at KE Auditorium, 5th floor, Block 4)
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Key Takeaways	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Slam poetry conducted brought out the talented poets by giving them a chance to present their poetic skills and a recognition from the audience to their work. 2. Just a minute helped participants in showcasing as well as improving their creative skills and promotes organized and innovative minds by testing their presence of mind. 3. This contest encourages students to let go of their stage fear, picturize and present their ideas boldly among a group of people. Besides nurturing a competitive spirit, the contest aims to represent and recognize diverse ideas.
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Summary of the Activity	<p>‘Talking Titans’ is an oratory competition conducted by the literary wing of Vrittanta created by the Department of International Studies, Political Science and History for its annual fest ‘Sangam’. It is an intra departmental competition thus only the students within the department are eligible to participate in the competition. The invitations in the form of creative posters and registration forms (through google forms) were circulated 8 days prior to the commencement of the event via official WhatsApp groups of respective classes as well as through email. The event started at 2:00pm with Slam poetry where students are required to perform their own work of their poetry in English of any theme and style, the lines must be within the range of 16-40. Each participant got 3 minutes each to perform. Various themes were covered ranging from slavery, life, pandemic, women, racial differences, death, childhood, suppressed voices, the concept of Kaliyuga and the place for goodness, the inevitability of change etc each of them expressing diverse degrees of emotions and moods. The second category JAM started at 3:00pm and there were 12 participants in total, each of them were expected to prepare and speak on the topic given to them considering the time constraints in mind. Participants came up with spontaneous but well organized chain of content within the framework of their view points and examples to support their statements within a minute. Here the participants were given some interesting topics, some raised questions of ethics like surveillance and privacy, the right to natural habitat vs the zoo keeping for animals, the ever-widening scope of politics then situational topics like choosing of a favorite destination, movies, favourite personality, designing a new job role under certain conditions were given. The judges kept motivating the participants by giving optimistic comments and words of encouragement and pointing out mistakes in a positive light. There was only one round in each of the categories and the results were announced on 5th April, 2022 during the valedictory programme that took place between 3:00pm-4:00pm at KE Auditorium. The outcome of the event was not all about fierce competition, rigorous judging or precise ranking but one that offered a stage to encourage participation, reducing hesitations, showcasing talents, mapping out their ideas and at the end it’s a new form of learning experience and confluence of ideas.</p>
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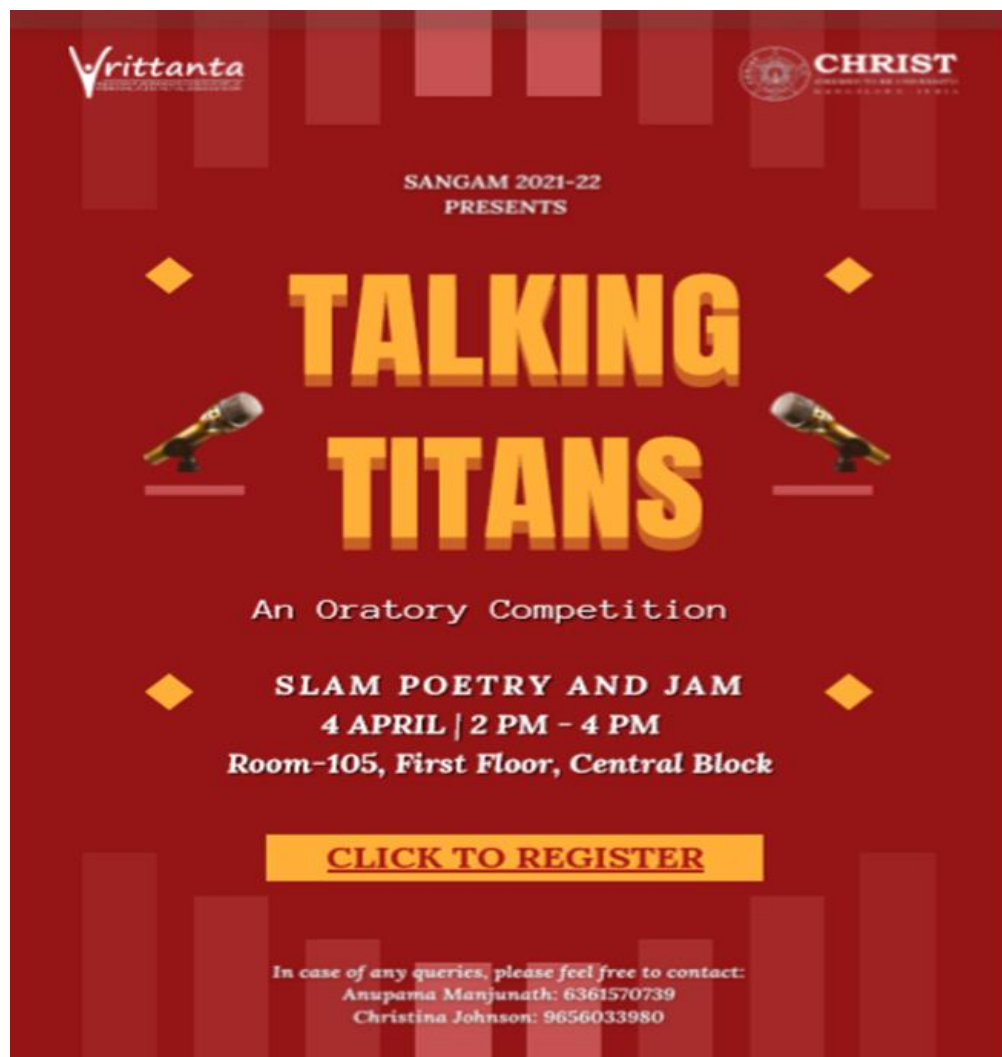
Follow up Plan	Talking Titans 2023
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Annexure-1: Photos





Attendees List

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2030779	TINA MARIA ABRAHAM
2030780	UTHRA KRISHNAKUMAR
2030782	VAISHNAVI K
2030784	JAIVIR SINGH SAHNEY
2030785	LYDIANA JYRWA
2030786	SHERIN MARIA JUSTIN
2030787	SHRINIDHI MARJI
2030788	JIBIN BENNY
2030789	GEETHANJALI MANOHAR G S
2030790	MUSKAN FAIZ
2030791	ROSE MERIN
2030792	TADIKAMALLA SAI HARSHINI
2030793	ANKITHA MYTHRI RAJU
2030794	VAISHNAVI P
2030795	NUKATHOTI SREE HARSHA VARDHAN
2130954	CHRISTA JOY
2130955	DARSHINI S
2130957	DIVYA SHREE A
2130958	GARIMA SINGH

2130961	JANANI BHASKAR
2130965	KRISHNA SATHEESH
2130967	MEENAKSHI R NAIR
2130968	MUSKAN AGARWAL
2130969	NAVAMI NAIR
2130971	NITHYALAKSHMI VIJAYARAGAVALU
2130973	PARVATHY K C
2130974	PRACHI JHA
2130975	SAHANA P VALSANG
2130976	SIREESHA V REDDY
2130978	SRILAKSHMI PRADEEP
2130980	VINODITA S
2130981	SURYA K L