

வழங்கும்

அக்னி சிறகுகள்

AUS தமிழ் TV
AUS Tamil TV
AWARDS
2024



AARTI C. RAJARATNAM
Psychologist & Author



GOBINATH CHANDRAN
Television Anchor & Public Speaker



YUGABHARATHI
Poet & Lyricist

SUPPORTING PARTNERS



கேசி தமிழ் மன்றம்



Melbourne Malaysian Indian Cultural Club



VJ ACADEMY
Dream...Innovate...Inspire



450 DREAMS DIGITAL
0061 470 760 870

MEDIA PARTNERS



FOR MORE DETAILS



BCS

THE AI-DRIVEN UNIFIED CLOUD ORCHESTRATION PLATFORM!

WE ARE EXPERT AT

-  Cloud Services
-  SAP BASIS Services
-  SAP Development
-  GRC and Authorization Services
-  SAP BTP and CPI
-  www.basiscloudsolutions.com

Non-stop Island Adventures!

From voyages above high waves to tranquil enclaves in the heart of the island, Sri Lanka awaits.

SriLankan Airlines now offers non-stop weekly from Sydney, and daily flights from Melbourne to Colombo and beyond.

☎ 1300 853 081 🌐 srilankan.com



World's Leading Airline to
the Indian Ocean 2020



AUS TAMIL TV AWARDS 2024



Mr. Mavai (Nithi) Nithianandan

Lifetime Achievement Award

For over 60 years, Mr. Mavai (Nithi) Nithianandan has profoundly impacted the Tamil community in Sri Lanka and Australia as a writer, poet, playwright, educationist, and advocate. He is the founder and Director of Bharathi Academy in Victoria, which marks its 30th anniversary in 2024. Instrumental in establishing Tamil as a VCE subject, his legacy includes internationally acclaimed children's plays and the pioneering Paapaa Bharathi video series. Recently, he adapted the epic Silapathikaram for traditional theatre. His humanitarian work in Sri Lanka includes mental health support and founding an Organic Model Farm.

Community Service and Support Award / AUS Tamil TV Phoenix Award

Mr. Gopalakrishnan Muthusamy is celebrated for his unwavering commitment to the Melbourne Tamil community and his efforts to preserve and promote Tamil culture. Actively involved in organisations like Melbourne Muthamizh Mandram, Tamil Consortium of Victoria, and Wyndham Tamil Palli, he has led impactful initiatives such as blood donation drives, flood relief campaigns, and community fundraising events. His work extends to educational support projects in Tamil Nadu and raising funds for various humanitarian causes. Gopalakrishnan's dedication and inspiring leadership make him a beloved and influential figure in the community.



Mr. Gopalakrishnan Muthusamy



Mr. Saththiyen Satchithanatham

AUS Tamil TV Tamil Icon of the Year

Saththiyen Satchithanatham has been a dedicated community leader since 2008, committed to promoting Tamil language, fostering inter-community connections, and enhancing the community's image. As a past president of Casey Tamil Manram and Principal of Bharathi Academy in Berwick, he has inspired many through his exemplary volunteerism and leadership. His impactful work also includes raising cyber security awareness. Saththiyen's tireless dedication and influential contributions make him a deserving recipient of the AUS Tamil TV Icon of the Year award.

Outstanding Contribution to VIC Community

Founded by Mr. Nithianandan in 1994, Bharathi Academy has championed Tamil education in Victoria, guiding students to success in VCE exams and fostering personal growth. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the academy pioneered "Tamil Online Worldwide," expanding Tamil learning globally. Celebrating its 30th anniversary in 2024, Bharathi Academy continues to promote Tamil culture through initiatives like the "Paapaa Bharathi" video series and an annual drama festival, ensuring a thriving legacy for future generations.



Bharathi Academy



Your Trusted Business Accountant

Payroll Management Services
Small Business Tax Accountants
Bookkeeping Services
Virtual CFO Services

(03) 707 11180 | 04 163 39239

www.premierone.net.au



MELBOURNE'S MOST ELEGANT WEDDING STYLIST

Award Winning & Trusted Wedding Stylist

We style your selected venue for your special occasions...
Wedding, Mehndi, Haldi, Sangeet, Engagement and Reception...
Make your special event unforgettable.

PHONE: 0466 097 826, 0421 145 514 | WEBSITE WWW.SSEVENTS.COM.AU



Mr. RajNarayanan (Raj)

Inspiring Versatile of the Year

Mr. RajNarayanan (Raj) embodies versatility through his exceptional leadership, volunteerism, and community contributions in Victoria and Sri Lanka. As a former President of the Engineers Charity Fund - Victorian Chapter and the Hartley College Past Pupils' Association - Victoria, along with his role as Secretary of the Victorian Tamil Association, Raj has championed humanitarian projects in Sri Lanka. In Victoria, he is a dedicated advocate for Tamil language and cultural preservation, organizing community events and supporting Tamil schools to instill cultural pride across Tamil and broader communities.

Arts & Cultural Development Award

Sri Yogaraja Kandasamy, a distinguished Mridangist with over 40 years of experience, has been a vital force in promoting Tamil arts in Australia. As the founder of the Indian Arts Academy (IAA), he has guided countless students through their musical journeys, including 53 arangetram presentations across Australia and beyond. Known for his artistry and dedication, Sri Yogaraja has earned prestigious accolades such as "Muzhavisai Mani" from the Tamil Nadu Government. His global performances and collaborations have not only elevated Tamil music but also inspired and empowered future generations, leaving an enduring legacy in the Tamil arts community.



Sri Yogaraja Kandasamy



Shakthiswaraa School of Dance

Arts & Cultural Development Award (Organisation)

Founded by Dr. Rethika Ravi, Shakthiswaraa School of Dance has significantly contributed to promoting Bharatanatyam and cultural awareness across Melbourne. A distinguished lecturer and an award-winning artist, Dr. Ravi has led Shakthiswaraa to national recognition, from being featured in projects like "Faces of Wyndham" to conducting performances at the Wyndham Cultural Centre and workshops at top Victorian schools. Recently honored with the La Trobe Australia Day Award and an SCAFF award, Dr. Ravi's efforts through Shakthiswaraa continue to make a profound impact on the arts and multicultural community, inspiring future generations with her dedication to Indian classical dance.

Linguistics Award (Male)

Mr. S. Sriskantharajah, a lawyer, writer, and social activist, has greatly enriched Tamil language and culture through his multifaceted contributions. Renowned for his works Innum Kanniyagha and Sangha Illakkiya Kaadchigal, he has become a prominent figure in Tamil literature, delving into its cultural richness. He pioneered the Muth Tamil Vizha and speech/music competitions for Tamil students in Victoria, programs that continue to thrive today. Beyond literature, he has served in various leadership roles within Tamil organizations and as a broadcaster on Vaanamutham Tamil Radio. Honored with numerous accolades, including the title "Shentamil Selvar," Mr. Sriskantharajah's work has made a lasting impact on the Tamil community in Australia and beyond.



Mr. S. Sriskantharajah



Your Trusted Partner for Australian Immigration & Education.

Migration | Education | PY Program | Coaching

www.aussizzgroup.com | 03-9602-3435



Event Marketing Agency - Boost Your Event With Expertise

- Digital Marketing Agency
- Increase Your Website Traffic & Leads

PHONE: 1300 683 783 | WEBSITE: WWW.VERVEINNOVATION.AU



Ms. Nesa Arumugam

Linguistics Award (Female)

Ms. Nesa Arumugam is a distinguished author and cultural advocate who has significantly contributed to preserving and promoting Tamil heritage. Her latest book, *Kumbakonam – A Sacred Landscape* (2024), delves into the cultural and spiritual heritage of Kumbakonam through well-researched narratives. Her previous works, including *Silk Sarees of Tamil Nadu*, *Jaffna Tamil Cookery*, and *Myths and Legends of The Navagraha*, have made Tamil culture accessible globally, especially to the Tamil diaspora. Additionally, her stage productions, such as *Dream of the Drape* and *The Eye of India*, showcase her dedication to celebrating Tamil heritage. Ms. Nesa's contributions extend beyond literature, as she remains an active community leader and social advocate, inspiring Tamil youth and the broader community.

Voluntary Contribution for Multicultural Society

Vijisha, founder of VJ Academy, has been empowering young minds in arts, science, and technology since 2017 through initiatives like the Young Scientist competition. In 2021, she expanded her reach by establishing Soul Space, offering affordable wellness activities, including yoga, meditation, and mental health support for seniors. Beyond VJ Academy, she serves on the board of Quantin Binnah Community Centre, volunteers with the Australian Defense Force, and supports women from refugee and asylum-seeker backgrounds. With over nine years of dedication, Vijisha's compassionate leadership strengthens community engagement and supports women's empowerment.



Ms. Vijisha Venkatram



Mr. Jayaraman Thatchanamurthy

Social Influencer Award

Mr. Jayaraman Thatchanamurthy, affectionately known as JRT, is an IT Architect from Pondicherry who has made significant contributions to the Tamil community through his social media initiative, Help4People. This platform operates on a simple yet impactful principle: assisting four individuals, who in turn help another four, fostering a community rooted in mutual support and compassion. JRT's guidance has enabled many community members to make substantial savings in their daily expenses. Additionally, his dedicated jobs group has been instrumental in helping numerous new migrants secure their first employment opportunities in Australia. His unwavering commitment to community service and empowerment makes him a deserving recipient of the Social Influencer Award.



A fusion dining destination where food, drink, culture and people come together in perfect.

PHONE: 0385554841

ADDRESS: 143 CARINISH RD, CLAYTON VIC 3168, AUSTRALIA

WEBSITE: WWW.THECLAYTONCHETTINAD.COM



- Healthy breakfast for Healthy Life
- Exclusive Range of Products
- Pickles / Idli / Dosa Batter | Yoghurt | Lassi & Shrikhand | Golu Specials | Oils | Pickles/Pastes & Mix.

PHONE: (03) 9706 6211 | WEBSITE: WWW.SAISHREEFOODS.COM.AU



medibank
P R I V A T E

Want 6 weeks free and up to \$500 in gift cards?

Join and maintain eligible Bronze hospital and extras cover or above and you could get 6 weeks free plus 50,000 Live Better points (couples and families) or 25,000 Live Better points (singles and single parents) to redeem on rewards like gift cards. We'll also waive 2&6 month waiting periods on extras.



Jeremiah Rajakumar

Senior Partnership Specialist - Medibank

0455 134 508 | www.medibank.com.au

FIRST IDEA
TRAINING SOLUTIONS

We offer various courses in partnership with different Registered Training Organisations.

- Professional Training Staff
- Modern Facilities
- Competitive Pricing
- Nationally Recognised Courses

PHONE: 1300 010 274 | WEBSITE: WWW.FIRSTIDEA.COM.AU



Jaganaath Jayakumar

Humanitarian Overseas Service Award

Jaganaath Jayakumar has made significant contributions to education, community welfare, and environmental improvement in both Australia and India. As Secretary of the Australia Tamilargal Welfare Association, he has supported underprivileged students, led child abuse awareness programs, and organized the Clean India Drive to create safer public spaces. His efforts include collecting laptops for students and raising funds through multiple networks, benefiting around 450 students. Additionally, he founded an online Tamil academy, providing employment for homemakers and teaching Tamil to students in over 18 countries, with a focus on enhancing education and opportunities for underserved communities.

Women Empowerment Award

Sivanthi Gurumurothy is a respected leader and advocate with over 20 years of dedicated service to multiculturalism in Victoria. Her work as an interpreter, community leader, and advocate for culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) groups has significantly promoted inclusivity, cultural understanding, and empowerment. A strong advocate for women's empowerment, Sivanthi has driven positive change within multicultural communities across Victoria, leaving a lasting impact.



Ms. Sivanthi Gurumurothy



Tushan Chalil

Special Jury Award - Young Inspiring Versatile

Tushan Chalil is a vibrant young leader recognized for his dedication to preserving South Indian music, promoting inclusivity in sports, and leading impactful community initiatives. An exceptional all-rounder, Tushan's achievements in education, music, sports, and community service have established him as a role model, leaving a lasting and inspiring mark on those around him.

Young Entrepreneur Award

Karthikeyan Viswanathan, CEO & Co-Founder of BibVault, has earned this year's Young Emerging Entrepreneur Award for his visionary work in digital health tech. BibVault, born from a personal journey and inspired by Indian wellness principles, empowers Australian workers with physical wellbeing challenges to counter sedentary lifestyles. Recognized as one of ANZ's top digital health startups, BibVault has partnered with national brands and supports over 40 employers. Karthik also actively promotes wellness in the Tamil community, inspiring many through running challenges and supporting various Tamil organisations across Australia. His commitment to health, innovation, and community is truly inspiring.



Karthikeyan Viswanathan



**Kuganthiny and Raj Thayakaran
(S&S Event Specialists)**

Successful Entrepreneur Award

Kuganthiny and Raj Thayakaran, founders of S&S Event Specialists, have been recognized with the Successful Entrepreneur Award for their groundbreaking achievements as award-winning wedding stylists in Australia's Tamil community. Recently honoured as Victoria's 'Best Wedding Stylists' at the 2024 ABIA Awards with a historic 99.95% rating, they are the first Tamil business to receive this prestigious accolade. With over 17 years of experience, their passion, artistic talent, and collection of unique props make every wedding unforgettable. Kuga's floral artistry and Raj's dedication after a successful career in software engineering exemplify their commitment to excellence, bringing pride and inspiration to the Tamil community.

Community Service and Support - Elder Empowerment Excellence Award

Since arriving in Melbourne in 2010, Thiru Dharmaraj and Thirumathi Geetha Dharmaraj have created a strong support network for senior Tamil citizens, beginning with small gatherings and growing their group, Urchaga Paravaigal, to 167 members. Their initiatives provide a sense of community, friendship, and family among seniors, with monthly gatherings, celebrations, and trips fostering connections and joy. Their dedication to uplifting and engaging the elderly community serves as a meaningful example of compassion and leadership.



**Thiru Dharmaraj &
Thirumathi Geetha Dharmaraj**



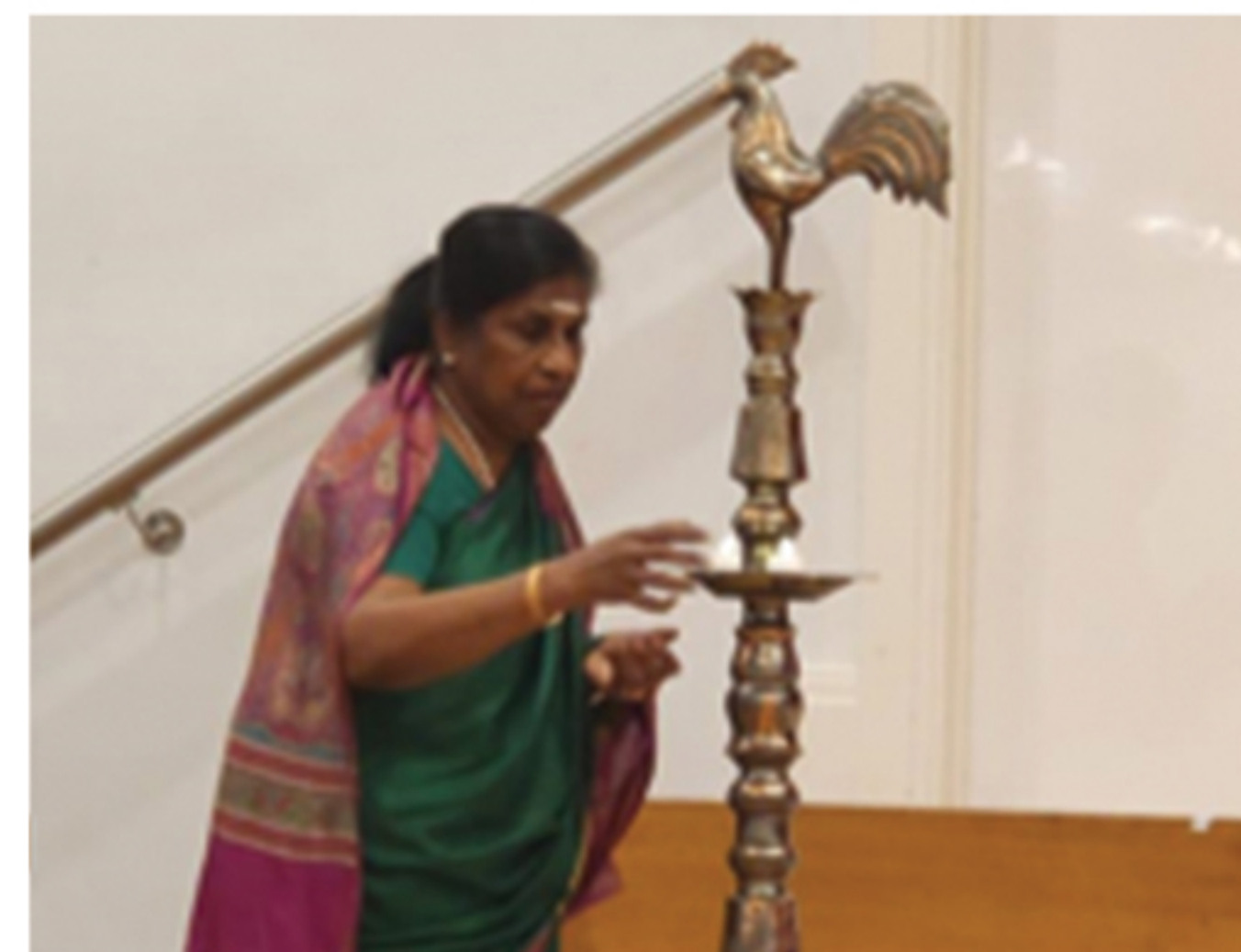
Kaazh

Tamil Feature Film Award

Kaazh, directed by Mohanraj V.J, is a compelling Tamil feature film shot entirely in Australia. Mohanraj, a Regulatory Affairs Manager with a passion for filmmaking, marks his debut with Kaazh, which tells the story of a couple striving to build their dream home, paralleled by an international student's struggles in Australia. The film features performances by Yugendran Vasudevan and Siddarth Anbarasu, and includes music by Swetha Mohan and Pradeep Kumar, composed by Helvin KS and Sanjai Arrakkal. Kaazh has earned acclaim, premiering theatrically in Tamil Nadu and streaming globally on Aha Tamil, winning awards at international film festivals.

Voluntary Contribution for Multicultural Society

Mr. Varnan Kanesapillai and Mrs. Ranjini Somasundaram have both made exceptional contributions to fostering a multicultural society in Victoria. Mr. Ganeshapillai has played a pivotal role in promoting Tamil language, culture, and arts locally and nationally. As a senior adviser to key political figures, he has championed multiculturalism, diversity, and inclusion in government, inspiring young Australian Tamils to pursue impactful careers in politics and public service. Mrs. Somasundaram has actively contributed to various Tamil and multicultural organisations, including the Victorian Tamil Association, Hindu Society of Victoria, and Siva Vishnu Temple. Her ability to connect with individuals across cultural and political lines reflects her dedication to creating an inclusive, harmonious community. Together, their efforts strengthen and celebrate the diverse cultural fabric of Victoria.



Mrs. Ranjini Somasundaram



Varnan Ganeshapillai


Investors Ray
 YOUR PROPERTY. OUR EXPERTISE

ONLY THE BEST DEALS
 GATEWAY TO SUCCESSFUL PROPERTY INVESTMENT

OUR SERVICES

OFF - MARKET DEALS | TURN - KEY PACKAGE | CASHFLOW DEALS
 PROPERTY PORTFOLIO

PHONE: 0448263769
 WEBSITE: WWW.INVESTORSRAY.COM.AU




V Care Dental

**The Number One Choice for Dental
 Treatments in and around Patterson Lakes**

Preventative dentistry | Cosmetic dentistry | Restorative dentistry
 Orthodontics | Children's dentistry | Extractions | Dentures

PHONE ; (03) 9772 7175
 WEBSITE ; WWW.VCAREDENTAL.COM.AU





AMAZING FINDS ONLY HERE

Enriching your homes
with the best essentials.

Quality product at an affordable price

OUR STORES

POINT COOK | CARRUM DOWNS | CLYDE NORTH | EPPING

CALL US AT

03 8787 7557 | 03 7379 7777



VISIT US AT : WWW.SRIMURUGANTRADING.COM.AU