## **COLLEGE MAGAZINE**



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Podar Pageant, the Annual College Magazine, is a platform for budding writers, poets, artists, photographers, and thinkers of our college. In the academic year 2022-23, the theme for the magazine was 'Tapiseria. As this year evinced the subsidence of the long-drawn pandemic and the revival of old routines, we wanted the studentsto dwell on their experiences during this time while showcasing their creativity. Herein comes our theme for the year, Tapiseria.

In the Spanish language, 'Tapiseria' means a tapestry - a structure woven together to showcase its overall beauty. The experiences accumulated during our school and college years eventually form an abstract tapestry. They mark some of the proudest & sometimes low moments of our lives. They are a culmination of the moments we've spent with our teachers, friends and peers. Every single one of us undergoes a lot of change during these tumultuous times, moulding ourselves to become more able individuals, earmarking our curves to stand out as ourselves. We were overjoyed to receive such a positive response from our contributors for both literary and artistic works for the same.

This year, the magazine had two cover pages to celebrate the creativity of its students. The college also continued with the recently introduced section of Podar E-katta. This year, the section included recommendations for books, movies, and TV shows. Additionally, in place of the Start-Ups section, a new section titled 'Alumni Corner' was introduced. This part talked about the experiences and advice of several college graduates who have had successful careers in the fine arts.

The Podar Pageant Photo Blog was carried forward this year as well, considering the overwhelming response from our budding photographers. The Podar Pageant Photo

Blog is a one-of-a-kind platform to showcase aesthetic photos clicked by the budding photographers of Podar. The Blog will be launched at the end of January 2023.

On the occasion of International Day of Clean Air for Blue Sky on 7th September2022, the team had conducted a photography contest on Instagram for which participants were requested to add a picture of the blue sky to their stories while tagging the Podar Pageant page. What resulted was an abundance of mesmerizing pictures of the clear skies. The photographs of the winners have been uploaded on the Photo Blog.

In keeping with the Magazine Forum's tradition of introducing something new with every edition, our team has introduced Podar's first ever alumni magazine this year, titled 'Mudita'. This e-magazine was especially launched in this year to commemorate R.A. Podar College's 80 years of completion. It chronicles the experiences of students in the college through the years in the words of illustrious Podar alumni themselves, along with some nostalgic photographs which will take you on a trip down memory lane. It was launched on the occasion of the Sahastra Chandra Darshan programme, which was organized by the college on the 10th of December. Posters containing the QR code to access the e-magazine were put up in the Auditorium and Lata Kunj.

We decided to launch the Podar Pageant 2021 not only through physical copies but also as an ebook, just like last year. The magazine and ebook are scheduled to be launched by the end of January 2023 by Principal Dr. (Mrs.) Shobana Vasudevan and the Vice Principal (Degree College), Mrs. Kavita Jajoo, in the presence of the teachers and the members of the Magazine Committee. The e-books of both Tapiseria and Mudita are hosted on the Magazine Forum's own website (https://rapodarpageant.wixsite.com/mysite), designed by the team, and is also accessible through the Home Page of the College Website.