



As in previous years, the evening was lit up with a variety of highly entertaining programmes ranging from songs and skits to group dance and musicals. With the theme for the evening's entertainment being dance and musical adaptations of poetry from renowned

Malayalam poets, audience were left mesmerised by the imaginative and stunning presentations on stage. The one of the highlights of the evening was "A Vadakkan Veera Gatha" produced and presented by Kala Youth Coordinators Sangeetha Venugopal and Prashant Nair, impressively performed entirely by the budding artists from KALA Youth. The other



item which captivated the audience was the musical "Yakshi" based on a poem written by Prof. Madhusoodanan Nair. He also done great honour to KALA by reciting the poem to go with

the stage performance. "Yakshi" was brought to full blown stage life, choreographed and presented by KALA members. The other highlights of the evening were - group dance by Maya Kurup, Anita Sethumadhavan, Varada Sethumadhavan, Asha Pillai, Chaithanya Unni and Geetha Menon (based on a song by Padmashree ONV Kurup written about 12 Malayalam months), skits "Vayana",



"Kothuku Puranam" and "Rosili" (based on poems by Padmashree Dr. Ayyappa Panicker and rendered by Prof Madhusoodanan Nair, performed by Kala Members Praveen Gopinath, Unnikrishnan Chowalloor and Mr. Natarajan. There was also Poetry recital by Kalathilakam

Anupama

Rajiv and songs by Dr. Sethumadhavan, Sunitha Sudheer and Gayathri.



KALA also took the opportunity to felicitate the winners of BBC Hardspell competitions, Gayathri and Nisha, by

inviting them to the stage.



Prof. Madhusoodanan Nair released the 9th volume of Palm Leaf, KALA's magazine, and complimented its editorial team headed by Editor Geetha Menon for the high intellectual contents published through its pages.

Prof. Madhusoodanan Nair said that innovative methods to teach our mathrubhasha to young kids are adapted in Kerala, and for the benefit of the audience he demonstrated an interesting method, and there were a number of young kids on the stage closely following his lines, in Malayalam.



There was a sumptuous dinner catered by Manu's restaurant. The evening was ably compered by Mrs. Anupama Rajiv and

- ▶ Pray for those who suffer, appeals Amma
- ▶ Krefeld Kerala Samajam welcomes Maveli and friend
- ▶ Cologne Onam by Kerala Samajam
- ▶ Maveli in Stuttgart
- ▶ Onam celebrations in Frankfurt
- ▶ New Malayalam school year started

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