

## **Arts and Culture Society – 2015**

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Arts and Culture Society, continues its efforts in preserving and strengthening our rich cultural heritage. With the fresh batch of students inducted this year, the College organised a series of workshops in theatre, dance and music. These workshops were followed by performances such as “Jasma Odan” a Gujarati folk play directed by Surendra Sharma and “Ta Na De Re Na 2015 – Santo ki Vaani ” a musical performance directed by Arindam Mukhopadhyay from Gandharva Mahavidyalaya. The College choir was invited by the Culture Council of the University of Delhi to perform on several occasions such as Antardhwani, Patel Jayanti and Foreign Students’ Orientation Programme. Students were also invited by the Department of Environment, Government of NCT to present a street play “Say No to Crackers” at Dilli Haat INA. The students of the Dance society participated in various intercollege festivals and won prizes at Gargi college, Miranda House and Hindu college for Indian Classical Duet. More recently, on 20<sup>th</sup>. March, the Shakespeare Society of India hosted its Annual National Seminar on the theme “Shakespeare and the Street”. On their invitation, our theater group performed “Jaafar”, the Urdu adaptation of Julius Caesar. They were awarded Runner-up position in this National event. the lead actor Zeeshan Khan was declared Runner-up Best Actor. Their performance was appreciated by one and all. I would like to share and quote what Prof. Jonathan G Harris, President Shakespeare Society of India wrote to me in his letter of appreciation, and I quote “The audience were transfixed by their performance, and the applause at the end was robust. The troupe performed with a mixture of passion and professional expertise that did them, and Zakir Husain Delhi college, proud”.