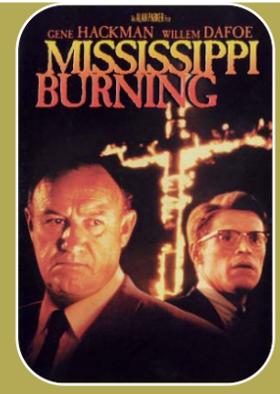


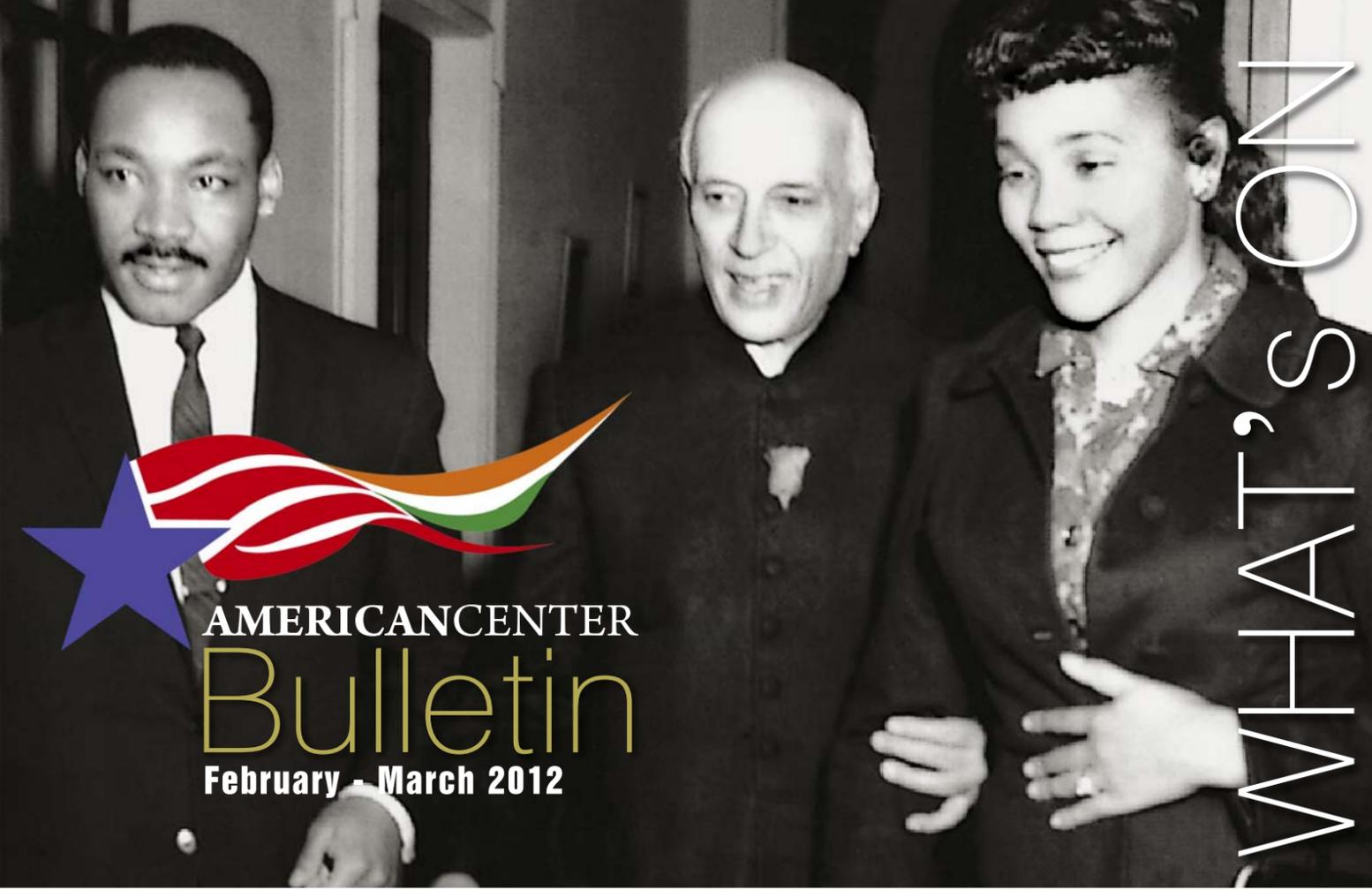


**February 10**  
**Jumping the Broom** (2011)  
 Starring: Paula Patton, Laz Alonso and Angela Bassett  
 Two very different families converge on Martha's Vineyard one weekend for a wedding.



**February 17**  
**Mississippi Burning** (1988)  
 Starring: Gene Hackman, Willem Dafoe and Frances McDormand  
 Two FBI agents with wildly different styles arrive in Mississippi to investigate the disappearance of some civil rights activists.

**February 24**  
**Captain America: The First Avenger** (2011)  
 Starring: Chris Evans, Hugo Weaving and Samuel L. Jackson  
 After being deemed unfit for military service, Steve Rogers volunteers for a top secret research project that turns him into Captain America, a super-hero dedicated to defending the USA's ideals.



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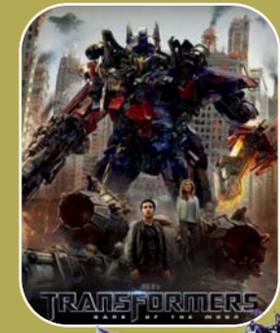
**March 2**  
**Zookeeper** (2011)  
 Starring: Kevin James, Rosario Dawson and Leslie Bibb  
 A group of zoo animals decide to break their code of silence in order to help their lovable zoo keeper find love -- without opting to leave his current job for something more illustrious. (102 minutes)

**March 16**  
**Super 8** (2011)  
 Starring: Elle Fanning, Amanda Michalka and Kyle Chandler  
 During the summer of 1979, a group of friends witness a train crash and investigate subsequent unexplained events in their small town. (112 minutes)



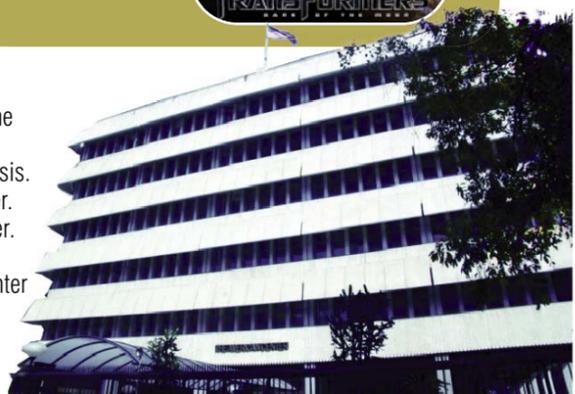
**March 23**  
**Larry Crowne** (2011)  
 Starring: Tom Hanks, Julia Roberts and Sarah Mahoney  
 After losing his job, a middle-aged man reinvents himself by going back to college. (98 minutes)

**March 30**  
**Transformers: Dark of the Moon** (2011)  
 Starring: Shia LaBeouf, Rosie Huntington-Whiteley and Tyrese Gibson  
 The Autobots learn of a Cybertronian spacecraft hidden on the moon, and race against the Decepticons to reach it and to learn its secrets. (154 minutes)



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**February 29**  
in Delhi on  
**March 3**



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February 28 and March 1  
Stay tuned to our Facebook page for details...

For more information,  
please contact 2347-2239/2286

### Tuesday, February 21

6:30 pm

## Maida Withers Dance Construction Company

The American Center is partnering with the India International Center to present an evening of dance, electronic music, text, and visual installation directed by Washington D.C.'s adventurous and celebrated dancer and filmmaker, Maida Withers.

The evening features two visually charged electronic media and music performances:

**Farewell** – The End of the World As We Know It or Dancing Your Way to Paradise!  
Maida Withers and Steve Hilmy perform live in this project that brings insight and vibrant critique to the contemporary issue of 'end time' through a uniquely multimedia performance.

**Thresholds Crossed (Part II)**  
Maida Withers and Anthony Gongora perform live in this intense and bold performance featuring dance and music, vocals and cello – a dance work that explores human exploitation and control.

**Venue:** Fountain Lawns,  
India International Centre  
40, Max Mueller Marg,  
New Delhi – 110003

For more information,  
please contact 2347-2289.

## Special Events

In collaboration with

### YOUTH KI AWAAZ

**TEDxConnaughtPlace**  
x=independently organized TED event

### Saturday, February 11

4:00 p.m.

Bringing together dynamic minds working in areas of youth leadership and social entrepreneurship, TEDx incorporates the TED format of short talks and demonstrations from eight rising leaders working in areas from LGBT rights to empowering small businesses through crowd-funding.

To find out more and register for the event, please visit  
[www.tedxconnaughtplace.com](http://www.tedxconnaughtplace.com)

## Oscar Fever

A Night at the Oscars

### Saturday, February 25

6:00 p.m.

Double feature night in partnership with MPAA-India and Enlighten Film Society

### Nominations Are In!

Every February the United States turns its eye on Hollywood; it's Oscar time. The American Center presents "Oscar Fever" a celebration with the screening of two Oscar nominated films. Guests will have the opportunity to predict the winners of the highly anticipated award ceremony.

*(by invitation only)*



## FILM FORWARD

ADVANCING CULTURAL DIALOGUE

a project of the Sundance Film Institute comes to India

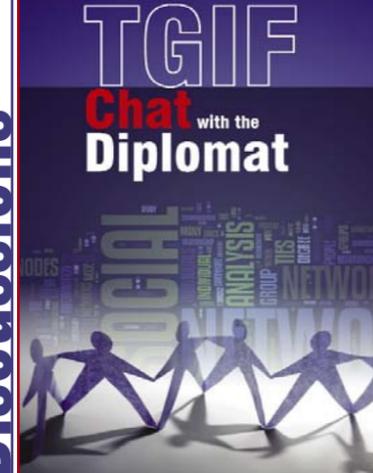
### March 18-23

Film Forward an initiative of the Sundance Institute will be in India this March. Filmmakers connect with audiences and open doors to new ideas, stories, and perspectives. Film Forward, in partnership with the American Center, will screen documentary films and lead discussions at various locations in the NCR.

please contact 2347-2290 for more information.



## Discussions



### Friday, February 3 and March 2

4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

You are invited to an open dialogue with a group of diplomats from the American Embassy. This is your chance to learn more about American culture, education and the role of the American Embassy here in New Delhi.

Please join us for a cup of chai and a lively conversation.

LIMITED SPACE – first 30 will be admitted.

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Speaker

### Professor Jeff Legro

Lectures and Roundtables on  
International Relations

### March 12-15

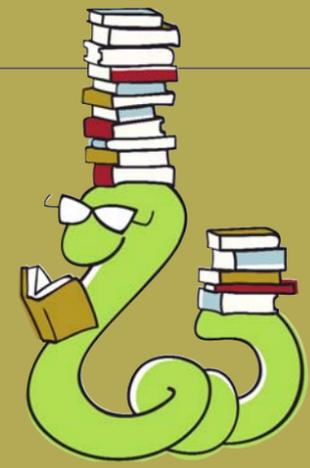
Jeff is the Randolph P. Compton Professor in the Miller Center at the University of Virginia. In 2011 he was a Fulbright-Nehru Senior Researcher at the Institute for Defense and Strategic Analyses in New Delhi examining the agreements that India has reached with the United States to understand their origins and impact on international order. His research illuminates the nature, sources, and consequences of India's preferences and deal making on international order.

For more information,  
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# New Books to make you Think

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# Readerville



## Book Club

Tuesday,  
March 27  
6:00 p.m.

Readerville, the American Center Book Club is a free discussion group where we read and discuss new American writing.

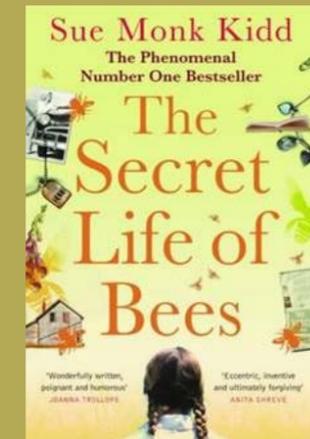
## The Secret Life of Bees

by Sue Monk Kidd

A New York Times Best Seller and one of Good Morning America's "Read-This" Book Club picks, it is about the transforming power of love - a story that women will share and pass on to their daughters for years to come.

Anyone who wishes to participate in Readerville online may share their thoughts and post comments on the book at <http://goo.gl/35d7g>

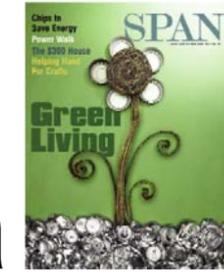
Limited copies of the book are available for borrowing at the American Library. For more information, please contact 2347-2294.



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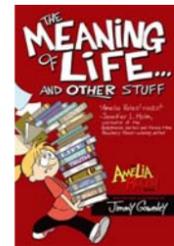
**The Only Ones**  
By Aaron Starmer  
Delacorte Press, ©2011  
Martin Maple, who grew up with his father on an island in near-isolation, ventures ashore for the first time. He reaches to the village of Xibalba where he meets other children who have been living there without adults. Soon Martin realizes that the complex machine his father had built on the island is a spaceship. Will they be able to see their families again?



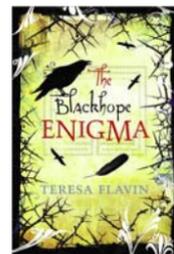
**The Meaning of Life-- and Other Stuff**  
By Jimmy Gownley  
Atheneum Books for Young Readers, ©2011  
In her attempt to figure out the meaning of life, Amelia learns that even when the world is scary, and life is as mystifying as ever, some things like friendship do last. Rediscover true friendship with Amelia and her friends in this beautifully illustrated fiction for young readers.



**All These Things I've Done**  
By Gabrielle Zevin  
Farrar Straus Giroux, ©2011  
This fiction is plotted in New York City at a time in future when chocolates and coffee are illegal, paper is hard to find, and water is carefully rationed. But for Anya Balanchine, the sixteen-year-old orphaned daughter of city's most notorious boss, life is fairly routine until someone was poisoned by the chocolate manufactured by her family and the police suspect her. Reach out for this title at the American Library to catch up with the rest.



**Silhouetted by the Blue**  
By Traci L. Jones  
Farrar Straus Giroux, ©2011  
Serena Shaw loses her mother in an automobile accident. And her father is in incapacitating depression to accept adult household and child-raising responsibilities. Will Serena be able to handle the pressing challenges of caring for her and her ball-of-charm younger brother while attempting to lead the life of a normal pre-teen? Find out!



**The Blackhope Enigma**  
By Teresa Flavin  
Candlewick Press, ©2011  
Shhh...! They dared to trace the footsteps of a labyrinth built in Blackhope Tower by a mysterious and brilliant sixteenth-century artist. Suddenly, Sunni and Blaise are out of their wit to see Sunni's stepbrother Dean disappearing into a painting while walking the labyrinth laid in stones on the floor. What happens next!



**Virtuosity**  
By Jessica Martinez  
Simon Pulse, ©2011  
Carmen's life is violin and she is obsessed about winning the prestigious Guarneri competition. And then Jeremy enters into her life. Carmen just can't stay away from Jeremy but she can't even trust him with her biggest secret. Desperate to win, she reaches out for anti-anxiety drugs. Find out how it goes ahead in this intoxicating juvenile fiction of passion, vulnerability, and the desire to have it all.

## Have a question about the United States?



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## Ongoing Programs

### STARTUP saturday

Saturday, February 11 and March 10  
2:00 p.m.

A platform for startups in the National Capital Region, entrepreneurs from the U.S. and India showcase their products to a community of peers and media, and learn about building a business. To participate, register @ <http://www.startupsaturday.in>

**Delhi Poetree**  
Friday, February 24 and March 30  
6:45 p.m.

A monthly series, these evenings include featured poets, open mike, discussions, prizes and games, including "audience versus poets" and "team faceoff." For more information, please contact 2347-2114.



## Seminars on Studying in the U.S.

### USIEF Events @ American Center

Now offered twice a month on alternate Wednesdays  
4:00 p.m.

February 8  
"Financing your US Education"

February 22  
"The ABCs of Studying in the US"

March 14  
"Financing your US Education"

March 28  
"The ABCs of Studying in the US"



Presented by the United States-India Educational Foundation (USIEF). Q&A with an American visa officer. For more information, please contact 2347-2123.



# Exhibition JOURNEYS TOWARD FREEDOM



“ True nonviolent resistance is not unrealistic submission to evil power. It is rather a courageous confrontation of evil by the power of love, in the faith that it is better to be the recipient of violence than the inflictor of it, since the latter only multiplies the existence of violence and bitterness in the universe, while the former may develop a sense of shame in the opponent, and thereby bring about a transformation and change of heart. ”

*King, 1959*

**Monday, February 1  
11:30 a.m.**

The American Center presents "Journeys Toward Freedom", a Multi-Media Exhibit celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s visit to India. The opening will be followed by a talk by American Diplomat John Fer on "King and Gandhi: How both encountered adversity and how it strengthened their convictions"

*On display till February 29.  
Monday to Saturday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
For more information,  
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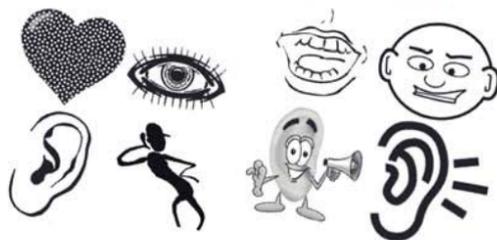


# तीन नाटक

Festival of American Plays

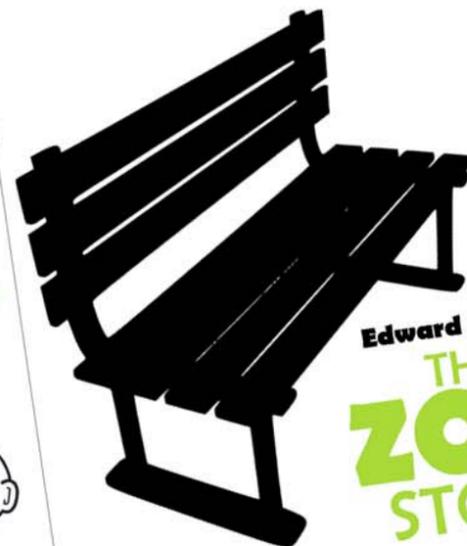
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Friday, February 3, 2012  
4:30 p.m. & 7 p.m.

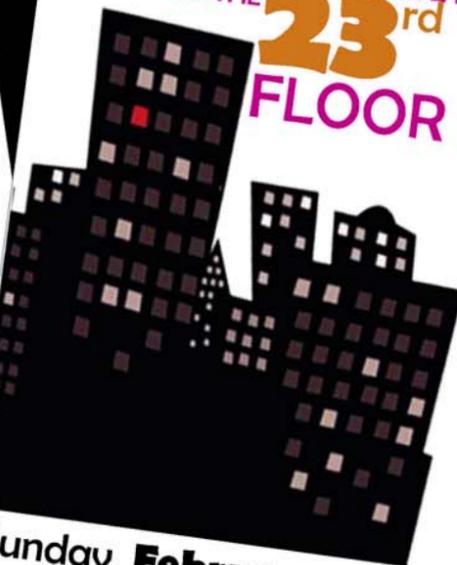
Hindi adaptation of  
Neil Simon's Rumors  
**KHUSAR  
PHUSAR**



Edward Albee's  
**THE  
ZOO  
STORY**

Saturday, February 4, 2012  
4:30 p.m. & 7 p.m.

Neil Simon's  
**LAUGHTER  
ON THE  
23<sup>rd</sup>  
FLOOR**



Sunday, February 5, 2012  
4:30 p.m. & 7 p.m.

**Friday-Saturday  
March 9 and 10**

Mostly Harmless Presents

# I Robot

I Robot is a collection of short plays, inspired by the literary genius of Isaac Asimov, who both invented the field and coined the term 'Robotics.' His vision of a world with Robots, and the deductive, yet seemingly complex problems faced by Robots and those who work with them resonate very strongly in contemporary society. As an audience meanders through the very logical, yet seemingly paradoxical, and at times even emotional pathways of a 'positronic,' robotic brain, they will find new insights into themselves, and the functioning of society.

Mostly Harmless Ink is a young and thought provoking theater company. Their theater is marked by witty dialogue and thoughtful themes. I Robot will be their 4th production.



## February 2012

Day	Date	Program
Wednesday	1	Exhibition: Journeys Toward Freedom
Friday	3	TGIF Chat with the Diplomat
	3-5	Teen Natak: Festival of American Plays
Wednesday	8	Seminar: Financing your US Education
Friday	10	Movie: Jumping the Broom
Saturday	11	Startup Saturday TEDx Connaught Place
Friday	17	Movie: Mississippi Burning
Tuesday	21	Dance: Maida Withers Dance Company at India International Center
Wednesday	22	Seminar: The ABCs of Studying in the US
Friday	24	Delhi Poetree Movie: Captain American: The First Avenger
Saturday	25	A Night at the Oscars: Double Feature
Wednesday	29	Dance: Bad Boys of Dance in Jaipur

## March 2012

Day	Date	Program
Friday	2	TGIF Chat with the Diplomat Movie: Zookeeper
Saturday	3	Dance: Bad Boys of Dance in Delhi
Friday	9	Play: I, Robot
Saturday	10	Startup Saturday Play: I, Robot
Monday	12-15	Speaker: Prof. Jeff Legro on International Relations
Wednesday	14	Seminar: Financing your US Education
Friday	16	Movie: Super 8
Sunday	18-23	Film Forward - Sundance Documentary films
Friday	23	Movie: Larry Crowne
Tuesday	27	Readerville Book Club
Wednesday	28	Seminar: The ABCs of Studying in the US
Friday	30	Delhi Poetree Movie: Transformers: Dark of the Moon

# Calendar

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