



Award Ceremony

Date: September 26, 2020 (Saturday) on Zoom

Introduction

The Alumni Cell of Birla Institute of Management Technology has been organizing few competitions to engage with our alumni in this pandemic through a virtual platform. The participation from alumni's family was humongous. So, to celebrate the results of these competitions we kept *Virtual Award Ceremony on 26th September, 2020 from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm* in which Director Sir, families of alumni across the globe, Chief Guest, esteemed jury, faculty members and conduit members attended the ceremony.

The Alumni Cell organized 3 competitions for every family member of alumni giving chance to the entire family to engage with everyone. The competitions were:

- 1) ***Listen to your Art:*** Online art classes and competition exclusively for the kids of Alumni. The session was divided into two categories. category 1: kids of age 5 – 8 years and category 2: kids of age 9 - 15 years.
- 2) ***Travel Tales:*** In this competition our alumni had to share their travelling experience in form of either stories or articles. It could be of anywhere.
- 3) ***Elevator Pitch:*** This competition was organized for the spouses of the alumni, who shared their thoughts on a few hot topics of 2020 such as Work from Home, New Education Policy 2020, Relationship with family post COVID, Atmanirbhar Bharat: Self-Reliant India, Online education for school Children, etc.



Chief Guest and Jury Members

The Chief Guest for the Virtual Award Ceremony was **Mr. Anil Bhasin**, president at Havells India Ltd.

According to him, “Serving as President in the over INR 10,000 Crores Super Brand and among the fastest growing Indian MNC has been a long and satisfying journey.” He joined Havells in 2004, since then setting one goal and achieving it relentlessly and moving on to another has been more of a daily habit, than a ritual for him.” Being a motivational speaker he understands that the positivity gives the power to swim upstream and to rewrite one’s own scripts. In other words, in an environment where competition is high and life is stressful, it is important to trust your Team and give them independence to work.

He has been the recipient of prestigious awards like:

1. Amity Leadership Award for Corporate Excellence
2. Marketing Role Model Award by Top Rankers
3. Lifetime Achievement Award by Amity University



To evaluate the contest we had the following esteemed jury members:

Mr. Farhat Umar: He is a senior VP - Group HR head of Mankind Pharma. He is visionary and vibrant performance-driven professional with 30 years of rich combined expertise in strategic HR and HR operations with key focus on profitability and optimal utilization of resources. He believes that "Leadership is not the name of a destination but it's a continuation of learning throughout this life".



Rajesh Pulyadi : He is VP HR in Indraprastha Gas Ltd. He is a HR professional with around 26 years of experience. His career in HR started as a HR Development officer, which accelerated to an executive manager, business head, chief general manager and currently as the VP in HR. Being a south Indian by roots, he has a strong command in not 1 or 2 but 6 different languages, which makes him a versatile personality.



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Kapil Kumar Lakhwan: He is Art educationist, Artist and Writer. He has around 10 years of experience as an art educationist and art coordinator. He has participated in various art exhibitions, national and international camps and workshops. He has also conducted various creative workshops and camps with children in different parts of India. He is currently working as an IB PYP & MYP Visual Art Faculty with Pathways World School.



Sakshi Gosh: She is a Senior Educator at Heritage Xperiential School, Gurugram. An Educationist at heart, she is a dynamic individual who truly believes in the fact that, only true education leads to liberation. She has worked extensively with students hailing from diverse backgrounds . She has harnessed her knowledge gained to engage with the educational system of the country.



Book Launch

Sachin Dev Sharma is one of our exuberant alumnus from 2001-03 batch who authored the book “Lahasa nahi Lavasa” launched for our alumni in this event. In this book he tried to change the definition of travelling. This book contains 5 different travelling experiences to different places in India. He has also shared his thoughts and feelings about travelling with his family and friends. What kind of experience a family person or a friend would experience when he/she travels with his/her family and friends. He has tried to motivate young generation to connect with different people, cultures and environment to learn new things through his stories. It is one good read which has been receiving good response over every e-commerce website. It is one of the top 100 bestseller on Amazon and it is also available on Prime.



Events

Listen to your Art: This was the first contest which was organized exclusively for the kids of alumni. This was a 2 days' art session conducted by an external expert. It was divided into two categories. Category 1 was for : (a) kids between 5 to 8 years of age (b) Category 2: was for kids between 8 to 15 years of age. The theme for category 1 was “Paint Your Dreams” and for category 2 was “Traditional and Folk Art of India”. We have received beautiful theme based artworks by kids in both categories.



Travellers' Tales: This was the second contest Travel Tales: Travel Stories by BIMTECHIANs in which we received amazing travel stories by our alumni sharing their traveling experience in the form of travel videos and travel articles.



Elevator Pitch: This was the third Contest organized for spouses of the alumni. We have received wonderful articles by the spouses of alumni.

The topics on which they had to prepare their pitch were:

- Work From Home
- New Education Policy 2020
- Relationship with family post COVID
- Atmanirbhar Bharat: Self-Reliant India

- Online education for school Children, etc.



Congratulations to the winners

Listen to your art:

Category 1: Riya, Daughter of Saloni Tandon (2004-06)

Category 2: Naisha, Daughter of Mansi Singhal (2003-05)

Travelling Stories:

Travel Article: Priya Pathak, PGDM-IBM (2016-18)

Travel Video : Vinoth Kanna, PGDM-RM (2018-20)

Elevator Pitch:

Shantanu Srivastava – Spouse of Ms. Megha Indra, PGDM-RM (2015-17)