

NEWSLETTER

(JAN-MAR 2025)



r-sala by Nepalaya

r-sala officially opened its doors this January as a new cultural space by Nepalaya, designed to bring people together through art, music, literature, and conversation. Along with Mokka by Himalayan Java, which serves delicious coffee, we also have the Nepalaya Bookshop on-site, offering a wide range of books from Nepalaya publications as well as international and national titles. For those who love to read, Mokka features a library where visitors can enjoy books for free. **r-sala** is truly a place to connect, reflect, and be inspired.

CELEBRATIONS AT NEPALAYA



International Women's Day
8th March



Holi
13th march



33 years of Aganai Bhari
1st April

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Twenty-Five by Under 25 in 2025

As part of our 20th anniversary celebration, Nepalaya launched the Twenty-Five by Under 25 in 2025 campaign, inviting young writers born on or after January 1, 2000 to submit original stories, poems, and essays. With submissions closing on March 25th, a distinguished jury comprising of **Shrawan Mukarung**, **Bhushita Vasistha** and **Narayan Wagle** will now select the top 25 works for each category to be published later this year. Thank you to all participants for your inspiring submissions.



Shrawan Mukarung



Bhushita Vasistha



Narayan Wagle

Book Releases

Prithvi Narayan Shah by Mahesh Raj Pant

On Prithvi Jayanti, we launched Prithvi Narayan Shah, a comprehensive compilation of historian Mahesh Raj Pant's research on Nepal's founding monarch. Held at Nepalaya, the event brought together fellow authors and marked Pant's official entry into the Nepalaya Authors Club.



Saat Sal Ko Katha by Phanishwarnath Renu

Publication Nepalaya released Saat Sal Ko Katha, a powerful narrative capturing Nepal's democratic evolution. The launch event at r-sala brought together literary voices to reflect on its personal, political, and historical significance.



Nepathya by Girish Giri

On February 25, Publication Nepa~laya released Nepathya by Girish Giri—a behind-the-scenes look at the band's journey from humble roots to cultural icon. The book highlights their impact on Nepali music and lasting legacy.



Pani Ko Parade by Dinesh Adhikari

A reflective poetry collection by Dinesh Adhikari, Pani Ko Parade explores life, emotion, and nature through the metaphor of water. The launch was a celebration of lyrical artistry and introspection.



Kehi Mitho Baat Gara by Kali Prasad Rijal

Blending poetry and melody, Kehi Mitho Baat Gara by Kali Prasad Rijal was launched at the March Paleti. The book captures Rijal's lyrical charm and his timeless contribution to Nepali music and literature.



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Book Talk Events: Engaging Young Minds



Unstoppable Women - Luja Mathema

Held at SwostiShree Gurukul and Genius World School, this event offered students the chance to engage with author Luja Mathema, as she shared her journey and themes from her book 'Unstoppable Women'. The discussion focused on resilience, empowerment, and redefining women's roles in society.

Kumari Prashnaharu - Durga Karki

At Maitri School, author Durga Karki presented Kumari Prashnaharu, leading a vibrant discussion with students on societal norms, identity, and introspection. These book talk sessions continue Nepalaya's mission to foster critical thinking and literary exploration among youth.



Paleti Rejuvenate

JANUARY 2025

Paleti made a heartfelt comeback this January by remembering 11 late singers who had once performed on its stage. The event featured beautiful performances of the songs they used to sing, with touching tributes by Abhigya and Benup. Their voices brought the memories to life and filled the space with deep emotion. It was a special way to honor the artists and keep their music alive. Though they are no longer with us, their voices still echo through **Paleti**.



Soulful Sounds from Darjeeling

FEBRAURY 2025

February **Paleti** welcomed an evening of rich melodies featuring Darjeeling-based musician and singers Daisy Baraili, Chandan Lomjel, and Bimochana Lomjel. Their heartfelt performances featuring fresh composition of late Poet Norden Rumba underscored the power of storytelling through music, resonating deeply with the audience.



An Evening with Kali Prasad Rijal

MARCH 2025

March brought a special musical performance to **r-sala** with esteemed lyricist Kali Prasad Rijal, joined by Aavaas, Abhigya, and Benup. The evening also marked the official launch of Rijal's poetry collection Kehi Mitho Baat Gara, adding a literary flourish to the soulful tunes.



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Australia Tour

MARCH 2025



Nepathya's Australia Tour was a triumph, drawing thousands of fans in cities around 7 states of Australia. Audiences sang along to their beloved hits songs. The tour was a vibrant display of unity and cultural pride, strengthening the bond between Nepal's music and the global Nepali community.

UPCOMING

BOOK RELEASE

- April-Simanta Samjhana
by Ganesh Lath
- May-Kasto Cha Timilai
by Jeevan Kumar Prasai
- June-Mo Yaan
by Mo Yaan

PALETI SERIES

- April
Sangita Pradhan
- May
Deepak Kharel
- June
Durga Kharel

NEPATHYA - CONCERTS

- April 12, 2025
Gokarneshwor Concert
- May 17 to June 14, 2025
USA Tour