



## DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY LOYOLA HISTORY ASSOCIATION (2024-25)

### DEPARTMENT FESTIVAL-(ITIHAASIC'24)

The Department of History organized its flagship annual intercollegiate fest **ITIHAASIC'24** on the 13th of December, 2024. This vibrant and intellectually stimulating festival brought together history enthusiasts and students from various city colleges, offering them a platform to compete, collaborate, and celebrate knowledge, creativity, and expression.



### **Inaugural Ceremony**

The event began on a high note with a soulful invocation by the department's choir, setting a positive tone for the day. The Head of the Department, **Dr. Arputha Selvi**, extended a warm welcome to all participants, faculty members, and guests. The inaugural ceremony concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks, acknowledging the efforts of students, organizers, and supporters.



## Competitions and Highlights

The day was packed with simultaneous events that tested students' creativity, analytical skills, and oratory excellence. Events included:

### 1. Historical Simulation – Dumb Charades

*Participants showcased their knowledge of history through an engaging game of gestures and guessing.*

- **First Place** – Vaishali, Dharani Vinayak, Mathi Malar – *Women's Christian College*
- **Second Place** – Priya Dhauhi, Krishna Priya, Ishwarya – *Madras Christian College*
- **Third Place** – Suresh Kumar, Lourthu Swamy, Muthu Ganesh – *Presidency College*



## 2. Timeless Tunes

*Musical interpretations of historical themes and eras through creative performances.*

- **First Place** – Ethiraj College for Women
- **Second Place** – Madras Christian College
- **Third Place** – Stella Maris College

## 3. Quiz – Brain Brawl

*A fierce battle of wits and knowledge in history and current affairs.*

- **First Place** – Vaishali, Dharani Vinayak – Women's Christian College
- **Second Place** – E.J. William Stains, Pandi Ganesh S – Madras Christian College
- **Third Place** – Ben Francis, Nipunya G – Madras Christian College

## 4. English Debate

*Participants showcased their critical thinking and rhetoric on current and historical topics.*

- **First Place** – Meryn Rani Joemon – Madras Christian College
- **Second Place** – Souparnika – Women's Christian College
- **Third Place** – Merlin – D.R.B.C.C Hindu College

## 5. Tamil Debate

*A spirited discussion on societal and cultural themes in Tamil.*

- **First Place** – Pandi Ganesh – Madras Christian College
- **Second Place** – Ajith – Pachaiyappa's College
- **Third Place** – Jabir – Madras Christian College



## 6. Tales Across Time – English

*Short story writing contest inspired by historical themes.*

- **First Place** – *Madras Christian College*
- **Second Place** – *Women's Christian College*
- **Third Place** – *Queen Mary's College*

## 7. Tales Across Time – Tamil

*Creative Tamil storytelling infused with historical context.*

- **First Place** – Monika, Hema Priya, Kamini – *Women's Christian College*
- **Second Place** – Nandhini, Kavya, Mira – *Stella Maris College*
- **Third Place** – Shwetha, Haripriya, Saranya – *Ethiraj College for Women*

## 8. UPSC Mock Interview

*An event aimed at preparing students for the competitive civil services examination through mock interviews and feedback.*

- **First Place** – Durga Devi – *Madras Christian College*



- **Second Place** – Afra Farheen – *Anna Adarsh College*
- **Third Place** – Anagha Bhat – *Stella Maris College*



## 9. Sketch-Off – Pencil Sketching

*An artistic exploration of history through visual creativity.*

- **First Place** – Priyadharshini – *Women's Christian College*
- **Second Place** – Manikandan – *Presidency College*
- **Third Place** – Pavithra, Rakshana – *Queen Mary's College*





## Participation & Spirit

- The festival saw more than 120 students from colleges across Chennai coming together to celebrate history through knowledge, dialogue, art, and innovation. ITIHAASIC'24 not only fostered intercollegiate relationships but also spotlighted the spirit of healthy competition and academic excellence.



## Valedictory Function

The grand **Valedictory Ceremony** commenced at **4:30 PM**, graced by an eminent **IPS Officer** as the **Chief Guest**. The dignitary was warmly welcomed, and a **felicitation** was delivered by **Dr. D. Anuradha**, the former Head of the Department. A memento was presented to the Chief Guest as a token of appreciation.



The Chief Guest then delivered an inspiring and thought-provoking address, leaving a lasting impression on the young minds in the audience. This was followed by the **Prize Distribution Ceremony**, where winners of both on-stage and off-stage events were awarded for their outstanding performances.







The **Overall Championship Trophy** was clinched by **Madras Christian College**, recognizing their excellence and participation across multiple events. The **Overall Runner-Up Trophy** was awarded to **Women's Christian College**.

The event concluded with a formal Vote of Thanks delivered by **Dr. R. Xavier**, President of the History Association, expressing gratitude to all who contributed to the success of ITIHAASIC'24.

ITIHAASIC'24 proved to be a spectacular celebration of intellect, creativity, and collaboration. The Department of History takes immense pride in organizing a platform that not only showcases academic and cultural talent but also fosters intercollegiate camaraderie. The department looks forward to making the next edition even more enriching and grand.