

# Facilitators and Organisers Retreat

*Dates: 26th-30th November 2014*

*Location: Fireflies Ashram, Bangalore*

Hi guys,

We are excited to know that you will be coming to the retreat. We are looking forward to learning, unlearning, holding and co-creating the space.

To get started, the next few steps are as follows:

- Plan your travel (details mentioned below).
- Please fill in the questionnaire by 30th September.
- Send your contributions by 15th October.



The contribution this time is a sliding scale between Rs. 2600-3500. This includes food and lodging. Those who can pay more are welcome to, as this will help us cover all the costs. We don't want finances to be an obstacle to coming, so if you cannot afford this amount please let us know and we'll work something out. If some of you would like some fund raising support from your family and friends towards your contribution, we could help with that too!)

## **Account details are as follows:**

Account name: Shruti Raghunandan Tharayil

Bank name: Punjab National Bank IFS code: PUNB0120900

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Branch address: CME Bhopkhel, Pune, 411031 Maharashtra

Please send us an email with all the details once you have deposited.

## Getting There

Please arrive by 12pm on Wednesday, Nov 26th. We will wrap up by 9am on Sunday, Nov 30th.

## Travel Information

Please send your travel plans to us so that we can help coordinate people to come together to Fireflies. You can send the details, or any questions you may have, to [indiayouthjam@gmail.com](mailto:indiayouthjam@gmail.com).

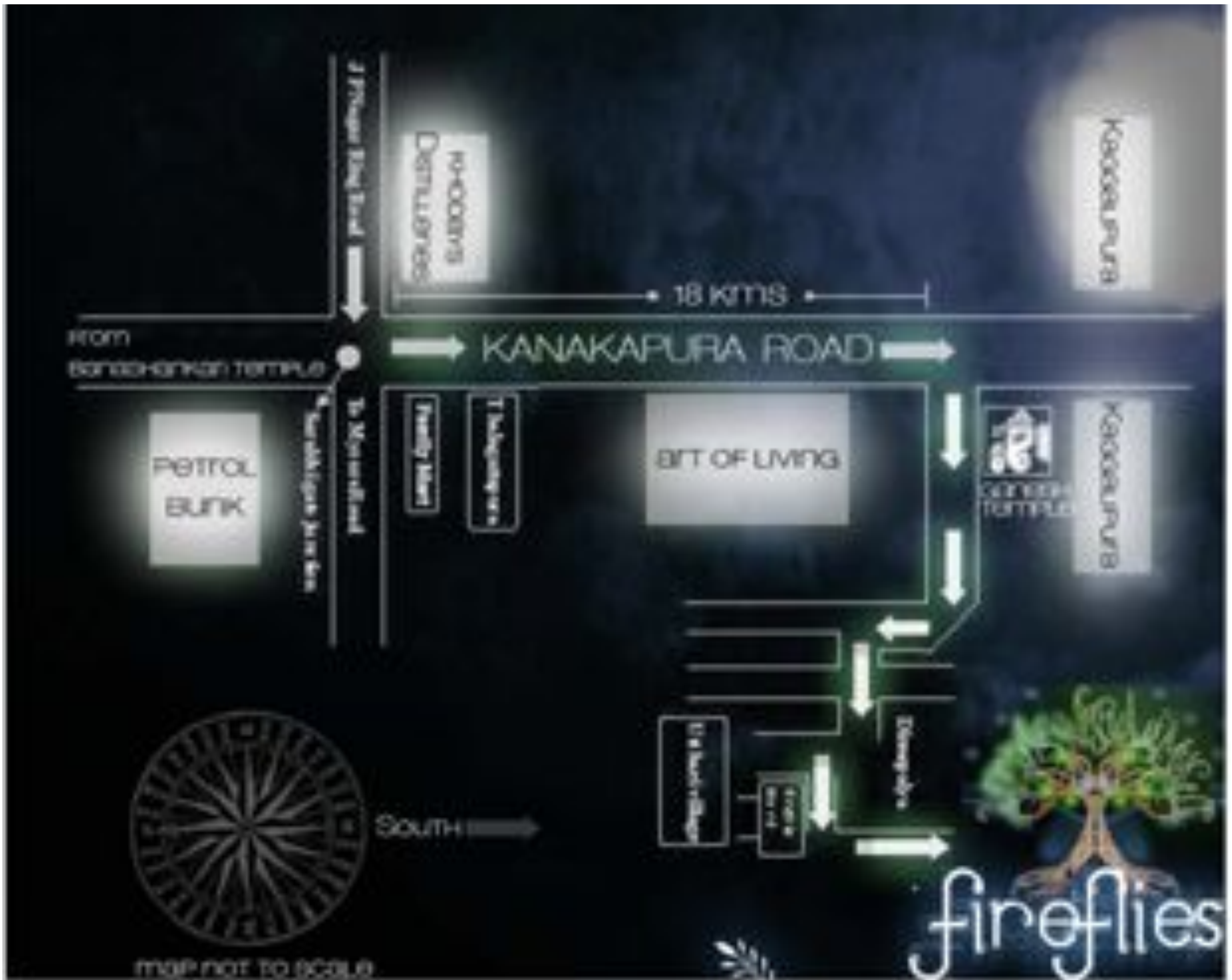
Note that Fireflies is approximately 1.5 – 2 hours from Bangalore City.

## How to Get to Fireflies

By bus: From any railway station/bus stand/airport, first take a bus (or two) to Banashankari stand, which is a well-known bus terminal in south Bangalore. Then take a bus to Kaggalipura. Kaggalipura is 1.5 km past the Art of Living Foundation of Sri Sri Ravishankar (Udipalya), a well-known landmark.

When you reach Kaggalipura, you will see a Ganesh temple and an SBM (State Bank of Mysore) on your right hand side. Take the right turn at the State Bank of Mysore and follow the directional sign boards saying FIREFLIES until you reach Dinnepalya village, 3 km from Kaggalipura. You can take this 3km stretch by auto (shared autos are common), bus, or by a nice long walk through the villages. Enquire there about 'Minchula Ashram' which is the Kannada word for Fireflies.

By car/taxi: head south on Kanakapura road, and continue past the Art of Living Foundation, all the way to Kaggalipura. Then follow the instructions above.



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We ask the following questions to get a better idea about where you are after the jam and what questions you have around facilitation. This will help us plan and design the retreat. We also hope these questions help you in reflection and getting ready for the facilitator's retreat, so that it is more meaningful for you. This is not a selection process. Please share as much as you feel comfortable and enjoyable sharing. There is no min/max length for responses and no pressure.

Your answers are confidential. And don't worry too much about grammar or eloquent articulation.

Please e-mail us the answers on [indiayouthjam@gmail.com](mailto:indiayouthjam@gmail.com).

- 1) Why do you want to come to the Facilitation and Organizing Retreat? What do you hope to give? What do you hope to receive? What would make this time meaningful for you?
- 2) What are your strengths as a facilitator and/or organizer? Can you share about a positive experience you had with facilitating and/or organizing? What made it work well?
- 3) What are your growing edges as a facilitator and/or organizer? Can you share about a challenging experience you had with facilitating and/or organizing? What did you learn from/through this experience?
- 4) How have you been integrating Jam practices and learnings into your life and work since the Jam? What have been successes and what have been struggles with taking the Jam home?
- 5) What kind of Jam(s) or Jam-like gatherings do you want to be a part of seeing come together in India? How much time/energy do you have to commit to facilitation/organization? What kind of support would you need?
- 6) We are going to be co-creating this retreat as we co-created our Jam... Have you been a part of other facilitation trainings or workshops before? What made those work well for you? What didn't work?