

Just like moons and like suns,
With the certainty of tides,
Just like hopes springing high,
Still I rise.”

_ Maya Angelou

The alumni of Mahatma Gandhi college has a rich legacy onto which new feathers of excellence are being added, every year. With a potential for excellence, Mahatma Gandhi college has produced some of the most revered personalities whose excellence in their respective fields is a matter of pride for the college.

JUSTICE PARIPOORNAN



Krishnaswami Sundara Paripoornan(1932-2016) was a justice of the Supreme court of India. He is known for his landmark judgements regarding the Devaswom boards in Kerala.He had also served as the chief Chief Justice of Patna high court.

JUSTICE M.R. HARIHARAN NAIR



MR Hariharan Nair served the judiciary in various positions ranging from Munsiff to District judge. He was also appointed as a judge in the high court of Kerala. He has also served as the chairman of the Kerala State Prisons Review Committee of the Govt. of Kerala during 2004-2006, Ombudsman for Local Self Govt. Institutions, Chairman of the Institutional Ethics Committees of the Sree Chithira Thirunal Institute of Medical Sciences, Trivandrum, Chairman of the University Ethics Committee of the Kerala University of Health Sciences and Chairman of the Kerala State Fishermen's Debt Relief Commission.

Dr. S. NARAYANA KALKURA



Dr. S. Narayana Kalkura is the Director and Professor of Crystal Growth Centre, Anna University, Chennai. He worked as a researcher and Professor in acclaimed institutions including Anna University. He is also the recipient of several accolades including Fellow of the Academy of Sciences Chennai-2016, Erasmus Mundus Heritage Fellow- 2015 at Politecnico di Milano, Milan, Italy, Erasmus-Mundus Svaagata Fellow-2014 at Universidad Politécnic de Valencia, Spain, ACITVE Researcher Award 2013 by Anna University, Post-Doctoral Fellow at the Institute für Medizinische Biochemie und Molekular Biologie, DESY, University of Hamburg, Germany 2001-2004, Award from Science and Technology Agency (S.T.A) of Government of Japan, National award of Certificate of Excellence from All India Council for Technical Education, Govt. of India, for carrying out research project with excellence, Andhra University Medal for having shown conspicuous merit in research work in the field of Physics, Young Scientist Award by Kerala State Committee on Science and Technology, Government of Kerala, Department of Science and Technology, S.E.R.C. Research fellowship 1995, Boyscast Fellowship awarded by Department of Science and Technology, Govt. of India and Award of Research Associateship and Senior Research Fellowship by the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (C.S.I.R).

DR. JAYADEV SREEDHAR

Dr. Jayadev Sreedhar is a former scientist at VSSC. A great teacher and an aspiring inventor, Mr. Jayadev is now involved with activities to enhance and cultivate scientific temperament in children. Currently, he is working on the applications of nanotechnology in medicine.

DR.H.SREEMOOLANATHAN

Dr. H. Sreemoolanathan is a scientist at VSSC. He is known primarily for his works on the microwave properties involved with ceramics. His team has got a patent for “A process for the preparation of a ceramic material useful for microwave integrated circuit application”.

DR.M.K.RAMACHANDRAN NAIR



Dr.M.K.Ramachandran is the former vice chancellor of the University of Kerala. He is the 18th vice chancellor of Kerala university.

DR. BIJU.R. SEKHAR



Dr.Biju Raja Sekhar is a professor and member of the Institute of Physics, Bhubhaneswar. His research is primarily on topics like solid materials, spectroscopy, material science, electronic structure etc.

DR.K.MADHUKUMAR



Dr.K.Madhukumar served as the controller of examinations of the University of Kerala from 2012. He was the principal of Vidhyadhiraja NSS college, Vazhoor.

CHRISTY FERNANDES



Dr Christy Fernandes IAS was the private secretary of former president Dr.Prathibha Patel. He also held positions of Government secretary and principal secretary of Gujarat. He was the chairman of coir board. He also served as the director of Tamil Nadu telecommunications limited. He is currently the acting chairman of KSIDC.

BABU RAJEEV



Babu Rajeev IAS is a former secretary to the Government of India. He also held various positions like the Director General of Archaeological Survey of India, Finance Commissioner and Addl. Chief Secretary of Assam, Chairman of Cochin Port Trust, Managing Director of Cochin International Airport Ltd and Director of Ministry of Finance.

G. SEKHARAN NAIR



G. Sekharan Nair is a veteran journalist and former chief of Mathrubhumi newspaper. He has authored books like *Veendum padmatheerthakarayil* and *Mazha kondu matram mulaykatha vithukal*. He was a member of State press accreditation committee in 2015. He is also the recipient of K. Vijayaraghavan memorial award in 2017.

Dr. G. C. GOPALA PILLAI



Dr. G. C. Gopala Pillai is the former Chairman and Managing Director of FACT (Fertilizers and Travancore Chemicals Limited) and the founder-M.D of Kerala Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (KINFRA). His vision of a developed Kerala is seen in the plethora of projects he had visualised for the state through the PPP he headed for a brief period of time,

INKEL (Infrastructures Kerala Limited). He is also regarded as one of the most enterprising executives of Kerala. He successfully steered a government owned firm KINFRA to become a success. He was appointed the Chairman of Public Sector Restructuring and Internal Audit Board (RIAB), Government of Kerala after his stint at INKEL.

DR. ANISH KUMAR. M. NAIR



Dr. Anish Kumar M. Nair is a scientist at ISRO. He has worked as the research fellow and Research Associate, Cloud Remote Sensing, Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre. He received the Gold Medal for Best Paper Presentation - International Tropical Meteorology Symposium (INTROMET-2014). He also received ISRO Research Associateship and Best Paper Award (26th Kerala Science Congress). He currently works at the Department of Space, National Atmospheric Research Laboratory as a Scientist. Anish Kumar does research in Clouds and Convective Systems, radiative forcing, aerosols, monsoons and tropospheric dynamics.

MOHANLAL



Padma Shri Bharat Mohanlal Viswanathan Nair, one of the superstars of Malayalam film industry, is an acclaimed actor who is much adored for his versatility, easy and natural style of acting and unmatched charm. Apart from showing his dexterity as an actor, he has also produced several super-hit Malayalam movies and has proven that he is a good singer as well. . He pursued his degree from M.G. College, Trivandrum, in B.Com. Mohanlal has established himself as one of the most talented actors in India. During his career, he has appeared in more than 340 feature films, primarily in Malayalam cinema but also in other languages including Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, and Kannada. He has bagged various awards and recognitions including five National Film Awards. Before entering into movies, in 1977, he was a state level champion in boxing. It was here that he became friends with students who were equally passionate about theatre and films.

PRIYADARSHAN



Padma Shri Priyadarshan Soman Nair, is an Indian film director, producer, and screenwriter. Priyadarshan began his career in Malayalam cinema in early 1980s and was active throughout the 1980s and 1990s. In a career spanning over three decades, he has directed more than 90 films in various Indian languages, predominantly in Malayalam and Hindi, with few films in Tamil and Telugu. He is one of the rare directors who is extremely successful in two film industries. He graduated from M.G. College, Trivandrum, in B.Com.

P.PADMARAJAN



P. Padmarajan (1945-1991) is one of the most eminent story tellers in Malayalam who has carved his own niche in the history of Malayalam cinema. With a number of short stories, novels, screenplays and movies to his credit his genius transcended the limits of time, inspiring many, even today. The versatility of his tales and the depth of his characters and his profound understanding of human behaviour makes him one of the most loved geniuses of Kerala. His association with director Bharathan, gave us some of the most memorable films in Malayalam film industry, an era often dubbed as the golden era of Malayalam cinema. *Namukku paarkan munthirithopukal*, *Thoovanathumbikal*, *Seasons*, *Thinkalazhcha nalla divasam*, *Oridathoridath oru phayalvan* are some of his famous films. *Manjukalam notta kuthira*, *Rathinirvedam*, *Prathimayum rajakumariyum*, *Nakshatrangale kaaval* etc are some of his notable novels.

MURALI



Murali(1954 – 2009) was one of the most talented actors of Indian film industry. He was known for his powerful portrayal of character, lead and negative roles. Besides a national film award for best actor for his role in Neythukaran, Murali was a talented author, chairman of Sangeetha Nataka Academy and director of the television company *Malayalam communications*. With more than 150 films and innumerable moments of memorable performance, Murali has become one of the most irreplaceable talents that MG college has produced.

ADOOR BHASI



Adoor Bhasi,(1927-1990) widely known for his brilliant performances in comic roles and for his lively persona off-screen, was one of the most unforgettable faces of all time in the history of Malayalam cinema. His hilarious actions and roles made him the cynosure of comedy in the black and white era of Malayalam cinema. With multiple Kerala state awards, 3 directorial ventures, over 300 films and over 25 songs to his credit, Adoor Bhasi has proven his mettle in different fields.

KAVALAM SRIKUMAR



Kavalam Srikumar , an eminent Carnatic vocalist was born to a celebrated father Padmabhushan Sri. KavalamNarayana Panikkar, famous Theatre Director and Poet and mother J. Saradamy. He pursued his Bachelors in Commerce from M .G College, Thiruvananthapuram. Kavalam Srikumar was such a talented performing artist that he has been conferred the first prize for the consecutive 5 years in Classical Vocal in the University Youth Festival.He has anchored for 4 years a very popular music programme entitled “Ragolsavam”, based on classical ragas, in the Kairali Channel T.V.

SAJI SURENDRAN



Saji Surendran is a Malayalam film director known for his commercially successful and entertaining comedies. After helming a few telefilms and soaps, Saji ventured into Malayalam cinema through the commercially successful “*Ivar Vivahitharaya*”. Some of his other notable works include Happy husbands, Four friends and Husbands in Goa.

BAIJU



Baiju is an Indian film and television actor best known for his character roles in Malayalam cinema. He started out in films as a child artist in 1982. He is handling character roles and comedy roles now and has acted in more than 100 films. He graduated from M.G College.

MANIKUTTAN



Manikuttan is an upcoming South Indian actor. The original name is Thomas James. His first film appearance was in the Malayalam language film *Boyfriend* directed by Vinayan. His acting debut appearance was in the television series *Kayamkulam Kochunni*, which was aired on Surya TV. He graduated in commerce from Mahatma Gandhi College, Thiruvananthapuram. During his college days, Manikuttan was active in cultural events. He played the lead role in the campus film '*Oru Peelekanenta Oormakke*' taken by M.G College

SOORAJ SANTHOSH



Sooraj Santhosh is one of the recently passed out Alumni who is making huge strides in the Indian music industry. Having sung in all the south Indian languages, with several chartbusters to his credit, Sooraj Santhosh is also the co-founder and lead performer of the band *Masala coffee*. Sooraj has also bagged several awards including one Kerala State film award and a SIIMA award for the best playback singer (male).

K.N.BALAGOPAL



K.N. Balagopal is a politician of CPI(M) who was elected as the member of Rajya Sabha in 2010. He was also a member of Consultative Committee for the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers, Committee on Government Assurances Member and Select Committee on the Lokpal and Lokayuktas Bill.

R.BALAKRISHNA PILLAI



Keezhoote Raman Pillai Balakrishna Pillai is a veteran politician who was the former minister of Kerala. He had served in various positions like that of transport and electricity. He is the chairman of Kerala Congress(B). He has been selected as Chairman with cabinet rank of Forward Communities Welfare Corporation in May 2017.

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THENNALA BALAKRISHNA PILLAI

Thennala. G. Balakrishna Pillai is a social and political worker who was elected to the parliament of India, representing Kerala in the Rajya Sabha. He was the General Secretary and the President of Kerala Pradesh Congress Party. He also served as the Vice President District Co-operative Bank, Kollam, Managing Committee Member, State Co-operative Union and President, D.C.C Kollam.

M. VIJAYAKUMAR



M.Vijayakumar is the former minister of law in the Government of Kerala. He was also the speaker of the 10th Kerala legislative assembly. He is the member of both state and central committee of the Communist Party of India (Marxist). He is presently the chairman of Kerala Tourism Development Corporation.

V.V.RAJESH



V.V. Rajesh is a politician from the Bharatiya Janatha Party. While studying he held position of Taluk President, Trivandrum District Secretary and State Joint Secretary of ABVP. From the year 2003 to 2006 he worked as Bharatiya Janatha Yuva Morcha, State Vice president. After that he worked as Bharatiya Janatha Yuva Morcha National Council Member. From 2010 he is working as Bharatiya Janatha Yuva Morcha, State President.