



GANEŠĀNJALI

Temple Newsletter



JUNE 2017



ŚRI UCHISTA GANAPATI

THE HINDU TEMPLE SOCIETY OF NORTH AMERICA, NY

Śri Mahā Vallabha Ganapati Devasthānam

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CANTEEN & CATERING SERVICES of The Hindu Temple Society of NA

143-09 Holly Ave. Flushing, NY 11355



Please visit the Temple
Canteen's website:

www.nyganeshtemplecanteen.com

email: canteen@nyganeshtemple.org

OPEN DAILY - 8:30 am to 9:00 pm

Freshly prepared food items {like *Idli, Vada*, all kinds of *Dosas, Uttappam, Upma*, Tamarind Rice, Yogurt Rice, *Laddus, Mysorepak, Jangri* & many other sweets} are usually available daily. Special items (like *Puri/Chole, Bonda, Dal Vada, Dahi Vada, Thali Meals* etc.) are prepared during weekends and certain holidays.

Catering services are also available with numerous vegetarian dishes for private parties, such as birthday celebrations, *upanayanams*, weddings, anniversaries, etc. Minimum order - 25 persons. The facility provides all accessories including Wedding *Mantapam*, Garlands, *Thāmbulam* Bags etc. and can also deliver the order within the NY/NJ/CT tri-state region whenever possible.



Wedding Services at The Hindu Temple Society of NA



143-09 Holly Ave. Flushing, NY 11355

Services

Mantapams
Stages
Table Arrangements
Flower Arrangements
Candles and more...

*Additional items
Available Upon
Request



Items

Wedding Garlands
Jasmine (*Malli*) Flowers
Wedding Decorations
Balloon Decorations
Thambula Bags
Nagaswaram
Seer Bakshanam
Paruppu Thengai

Events

Weddings
Anniversaries
Bridal Showers
Engagements
Receptions
Birthdays
Upanayanams
Arangetrams

For Further Information please call (718) 460-8493 or
Wedding/Event Coordinator Jaya Sivamurthy (347) 532-2484 or (718) 460-8484 ext. 119
or email: events@nyganeshtemple.org

A Letter From the President

Dear Fellow Devotees,

Greetings! The year 2017 marks a significant milestone in the history of our Temple - celebrating the 40th Anniversary on July 4th, 2017. On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I take this opportunity to invite all the devotees to participate in this grand 5-day celebration from June 30th thru July 4th 2017.

The New Year Day celebration was grand with thousands of devotees participating in the day long celebration. Other main festivals celebrated included; *Śri Hanumān Lakshārchana*, *Śri Hanumān Jayanti*, *Makara Sankrānti* & *Śri Ayyappa Pooja*, *Mahā Śivaratri*, *Śri Rāma Navami Utsavam* and *Śri Śiva Brahmotsavam*. All these festivals and several *mantra japas* were very well participated by the devotees.

Several cultural and outreach events were carefully planned to include; Youth, Young Professionals and Young families. The Young Professionals Group of the Temple known as 'Akshayam' had organized a music and dance program '*Mahā Ganapati Natya Sabha*' in January 2017 and it was well attended. STEM Fair was organized for youngsters, mainly for our *Patasala* children. It was heartening to see the talents of our youngsters. Discourses by Swamy Pratyagbhodananda on 'Vision of Bhagwatam' and Swami Parmatmananda on 'Stress and Spirituality' were indeed very enlightening. Annual Holi Festival & Earth Day was celebrated with multi-cultural dances and music at Queens Museum. Temple participated in the celebration of Asian Heritage month at Flushing Town Hall by presenting one cultural item by Temple students. A mini Health Fair was successfully organized on April 2nd and Annual Health Fair is planned for June. Free CPR training was organized by American Heart Association for the devotees and the staff.

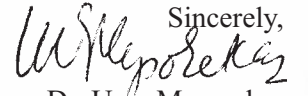
There were several Interfaith and Community events during the last 6 months. Among them the most significant one was an Interfaith Prayer service organized by Mayor's Office of Community Affairs and NYPD followed by dinner in our Temple Auditorium. The Auditorium was filled to capacity and the program was very much appreciated.

The Young Professional Group, 'Akshayam' will hold their annual conference on Hinduism, Temple Management, etc. on Saturday June 10th at the Temple. The Council of Hindu Temples of North America of which our Temple is the Secretariat, will be holding its annual meeting on June 17th at SV Temple, Pittsburgh.

I wish to express my thanks to all of you for your support and friendship and appeal to you for your continued help and support for the noble cause. We welcome all suggestions for improvement and these will be carefully considered and implemented wherever possible.

Our thanks to all the dedicated groups of volunteers for their sterling services and our gratitude to our excellent staff for their devoted services. We appeal to all the devotees to volunteer their time and talents and serve *Śri Mahā Vallabha Ganapati* and be blessed.

May the blessings of *Śri Mahā Vallabha Ganapati* be always with you and your families.

Sincerely,

Dr. Uma Mysorekar
President

AUDITORIUM

of The Hindu Temple Society of NA

AN IDEAL PLACE FOR CULTURAL EVENTS

Located in the Community Center (143-09 Holly Ave.) this Auditorium is one of the largest and the finest of its type in the borough of Queens. It has its main entrance at the corner of Holly Ave. & Smart St.

This well designed auditorium, which seats 700 comfortably, has a large stage, two dressing rooms with restrooms, and a spacious balcony. It is also equipped with a state-of-the-art audio and spectacular lighting systems including an on-site technical team to assist with all your technical needs.



143-09 Holly Avenue, Flushing, NY 11355

*A truly unique venue to hold your function.
Hurry and make your reservation as prime dates fill up fast!*

CHECK AVAILABILITY - CONTACT US TODAY!

For Further Information and rental please contact
Community Center Manager at (718) 460-8484 ext. 125 or 126
Email: cc@nyganeshtemple.org



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SAVE THE DATE

40th ANNIVERSARY OF THE TEMPLE
Friday, June 30th - Tuesday, July 4th, 2017



Since its inception in 1970 The Hindu Temple Society of North America has evolved beyond our initial dreams and the Society today stands out as one of the most vibrant Hindu religious and cultural institutions.

This year *Śrī Mahā Vallabha Ganapati Devasthānam* is proud to cordially invite you with your family and friends to join us in celebrating the Temple's 40th Anniversary - filled with 5 days of religious and cultural programs. Schedule of events will be announced soon.



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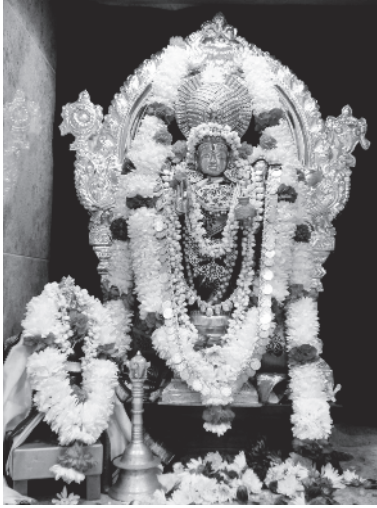
FESTIVALS



*New Year's Day
Sunday, January 1st, 2017*



*Makara Sankranti - Šri Ayyappa Pooja
Friday, January 13th, 2017*



*Šri Dhanvantari Mantra Japam
Sunday, January 22nd - Saturday, January 28th, 2017*



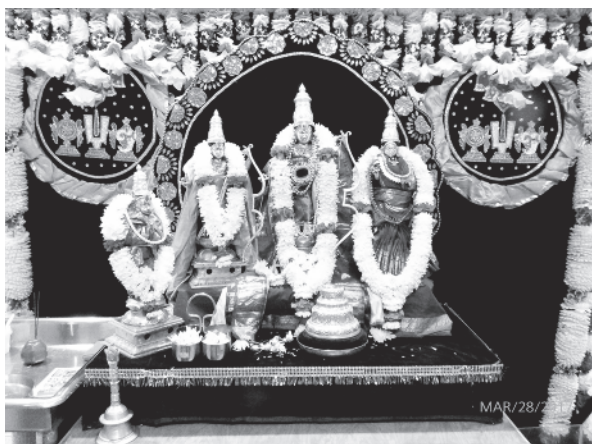
*Madhwa Navami Celebrations
Sunday, February 5th, 2017*



*Mahā Šivarātri Celebrations
Tuesday, February 21st - Saturday, February 25th, 2017*



FESTIVALS



*Śrī Rāma Navami Day - Śrī Rāma Jananotsavam
Tuesday, April 4th, 2017*



*Śrī Dakshinamoorthy Mantra Japam
Tuesday, April 25th - Thursday, April 27th, 2017*



*Śrī Satyanārāyaṇa Kalyāṇa Utsavam
Saturday, May 6th, 2017*



*Śrī Śiva Brahmotsavam Celebrations
Thursday, May 4th thru Saturday, May 13th, 2017*

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES OF THE TEMPLE

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

TUESDAY FROM 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	YOGA / MEDITATION
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	COFFEE BREAK
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM	BHAGAWAD STUDY (IN HINDI)
1:00 PM - 1:30 PM	LUNCH
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM	ARTS & CRAFTS /BHAJANS / POETRY READING

WEDNESDAY FROM 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	YOGA / MEDITATION / PRANAYAMA
11:15 AM - 1:15 PM	BHAGAWAD GITA - STUDY & DISCUSSION
1:15 PM - 1:45 PM	LUNCH
1:45 PM - 2:45 PM	BHAJAN CLASS

THURSDAY FROM 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	YOGA / MEDITATION / PRANAYAMA
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM	VEDA CHANTING CLASS
1:15 PM - 1:45 PM	LUNCH
1:45 PM - 3:00 PM	BOARD GAMES

*ALL ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS
SPIRITUAL & PHYSICAL ENRICHMENT!*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT
THE TEMPLE AT (718) 460-8484 EXT. 112
NIRMALA RAM (718) 969-1827

COME ONE, COME ALL TO JOIN THE

YOUTH GROUP

of Ganeša Temple (YGGT)

(AGES 12 to 24)

YOUTH MEETINGS -
2ND SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH
AT 4:45 PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
(718) 460-8484 EXT. 112
OR EMAIL: OUTREACH@NYGANESHTEMPLE.ORG

- HEALTH FAIR -



Sunday, June 11th, 2017

11:00 AM to 5:00 PM

in the Kalyāna Mantapam

- ♦ General Checkup
- ♦ Height, Weight, Blood Pressure, EKG (45 yrs & older)
- ♦ Gynecology Consultation
- ♦ Immunization Information
- ♦ Mammography Screening
- ♦ Gastroenterology
- ♦ ENT
- ♦ Dental Screening
- ♦ Podiatry
- ♦ Ophthalmology Screening
- ♦ Acupuncture
- ♦ Physiotherapy
- ♦ Nutrition Specialist
- ♦ HMO & Health Insurance Information
- ♦ Question & Answer Session



♦ *Blood Tests-Sugar & Cholesterol levels - performed
by New York Presbyterian Hospital, Queens (NYPQ)
*Must be fasting at least 6 hours prior to blood test.

ALL ARE WELCOME

YOGA CLASSES

EVERY SUNDAY - 8:30 AM

FEE: \$7.00 PER CLASS

FOLLOWED BY

PRANAYAMA & MEDITATION CLASSES

EVERY SUNDAY - 9:30 AM

FEE: \$3.00 PER CLASS

by: Mr. Sanjay Attada

(Disciple of Late Swamy Bua)

LOCATION: SARASWATI HALL

For Further Information Please contact the
Temple (718) 460-8484 Ext.112

VEDA & DIVYA PRABHANDA CLASSES

Divya Prabhanda - Tuesdays at 8:00 PM

Veda - Thursdays at 7:30 PM

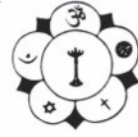
Location: Temple Basement

Instructed by the Temple Priests

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Save the Date

IS PROUD TO INVITE YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN CELEBRATING THE



**3rd INTERNATIONAL
YOGA DAY**



on Sunday, June 25th 2017

"Yoga is an invaluable gift of India's ancient tradition. It embodies unity of mind and body; thought and action; restraint and fulfillment; harmony between man and nature; a holistic approach to health and well-being. It is not about exercise but to discover the sense of oneness with yourself, the world and the nature. By changing our lifestyle and creating consciousness, it can help us deal with climate change. Let us work towards adopting an International Yoga Day"

- Honorable Prime Minister Narendra Modi, September 27th 2014 at the UN

At 9:00 AM

Location: Kalyana Mantapam

- **Surya Namskaram** (Sun salutations)
- **Sarala Yoga**
- **Demonstration of Aasanas**
- **Yoga at desk**
- **Mallakhamb Demonstration**
- **Pranayama**

Ayurveda and much more!

ALL ARE INVITED

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or Sanjay Attada (718) 888-0410 • Indira Narasimharajan (718) 631-0725
Krishnan Vaidhyanathan (718) 897-3960 • Chandrasekhar Vellur (516) 833-7600
Vinay Dayal (718) 224-5398



THE HINDU TEMPLE SOCIETY OF NORTH AMERICA
PROUDLY PRESENTS



anubhava 2017

A CONFERENCE FOR
HINDU YOUNG
PROFESSIONALS

HTSNA Community Center
143-09 Holly Avenue
Flushing, NY 11355

JUN 10
10AM - 3PM

Anubhava is a free half-day conference hosted by Akshayam, the young professionals group of The Hindu Temple Society of North America. This year's conference will feature an impressive roster of young professional panelists and speakers, who will explore the confluence of Hindu and American identity in the context of career development. For more info please email akshayamhts@gmail.com.

REGISTER TODAY

<http://bit.do/anubhava17>



Upcoming Hindu Young Professionals Conference : Anubhava 2017

by: Ravali Ceyyur & Abiramy Logeswaran

Next week, The Hindu Temple Society of North America will be hosting Anubhava 2017, its annual Hindu Young Professionals conference. Anubhava is organized by Akshayam, the Temple's young professionals group, and will take place from 10am - 3pm on Saturday, June 10th at the Community Center. This is the second time the Temple is hosting a conference specifically for young professionals ages 20-45.

The conference is free of cost to those who register in advance at the following link: <http://bit.do/anubhava17>. The goal of Anubhava 2017 is to explore the confluence of Hindu and American identity in the context of career development. The conference will feature a number of young professional Guest Speakers and Panelists.

Swami Sarvapriyananda, the Resident Swami of the Vedanta Society of New York, will open the conference with a talk on how young professionals can leverage Hinduism in their daily lives and careers. This will be followed by an address by Reshma Saujani, CEO and Co-Founder of Girls Who Code, a national non-profit organization that is dedicated to closing the gender gap in technology. Her work has empowered over 40,000 young women, across the fifty states, to explore their potential in the growing tech world by providing them with the tools necessary to pursue 21st Century opportunities.

Next will be a panel discussion featuring Sriram Emani, CEO and Co-Founder of IndianRaga, Bharathi Sethumadhavan, Program Officer at the Clark Foundation, and Nishant Ceyyur, CEO of Excelsior Consulting Group. Meera Nair, an accomplished writer known for her works Video (Pantheon) and the children's books Maya Saves the Day and Maya in a Mess, will moderate this panel. IndianRaga is an educational startup that is taking the world by storm by bringing together young musical talent in the Indian Fine Arts, from across the continent, to collaborate on projects and learn about audio and video production for digital channels. They have over twenty-five IndianRaga music labs in North America and have gained international acclaim for their viral videos. The Clark Foundation serves to strengthen nonprofit organizations that provide a brighter future for economically disadvantaged youth. The foundation helps build the infrastructure needed to help level the playing field for young people. At Excelsior Consulting Group, Nishant Ceyyur works with clients long term to develop best academic practices and navigate the college admissions process.

Attendees will break for lunch and then reconvene for the second segment of the conference. This segment will begin with a presentation on Akshayam, highlighting the ways in which Hindu young professionals can get involved at the Temple and have a positive impact on their community. This presentation will segue into the second panel discussion featuring Aditi Banerjee, Vice President & Corporate Counsel at Prudential, Seema Agarwal, M.D., Pulmonologist, and Rome Chopra, CEO and Co-Founder of CXC Productions. Abiramy Logeswaran, a founding member of Akshayam, will moderate. The panel will address topics including the application of Hindu values and practices to academic and professional careers, cultural misappropriation, representation of Hindus in film and media, and the issues that face Hindu young professionals today.

The audience will have an opportunity to join the conversation and interact with guest speakers and panelists throughout the conference, while also networking with other attendees. We hope to see you on June 10th. Register today at <http://bit.do/anubhava17>. Keep up with the latest updates by visiting our Temple Facebook page.

anubhava 2017

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES OF THE TEMPLE

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES OF GANEŠA PATAŠĀLA



Every SATURDAY	
8:30 AM to 9:25 AM	MATH (Grades K - 8)
9:30 AM to 9:55 AM	BHAJANS (All Grades)
10:00 AM to 10:25 AM	SLOKA CHANTING (All Grades)
10:30 AM to 11:25 AM	RELIGION (All Grades)
11:30 AM to 12:25 PM	Languages: HINDI
11:30 AM to 12:25 PM	Languages: TAMIL
11:30 AM to 12:25 PM	Languages: TELUGU
11:30 AM to 12:25 PM	Languages: KANNADA
1:00 PM to 1:55 PM	ENGLISH (Grades K - 8)
2:00 PM to 2:55 PM	SCIENCE (Grades 3 - 8)
3:00 PM to 4:00 PM	*COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP (Grades 4 - 12)
Every SUNDAY	
10:00 AM to 11:30 AM	SANSKRIT for Adults & Children

*For all Computer Science inquiries visit us online at: <http://patasala.nyganesh temple.org/pcig>

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FINE ARTS ACTIVITIES

DANCE CLASSES

BHARATANATYAM - 11:30 am to 12:30 pm (*NEW STUDENT BEGINNERS*)

1:00 pm to 2:00 pm (*RETURNING STUDENT BEGINNERS*) • 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm (*INTERMEDIATE*)

3:00 pm to 4:00 pm (*ADVANCED*) • 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm (*SENIOR STUDENTS*)

Tuition: \$450.00 FOR THE ENTIRE SCHOLASTIC YEAR (SEPT-JUNE). **PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE IN FULL.**

KATHAK - 9:00 am to 10:00 am (*BEGINNERS*) • 10:00 am to 11:00 am (*ADVANCED*)

Tuition: \$15.00 PER CLASS OR \$600.00 FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR (SEPTEMBER - MAY).

VOCAL MUSIC CLASS - 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm

Tuition: \$450.00 for the entire scholastic year. (Sept-June).

VEENA CLASS - 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Tuition: \$450.00 for the entire scholastic year. (Sept-June).



EVERY SATURDAY

LOCATION: FOR DANCE CLASSES - TEMPLE BASEMENT
FOR VOCAL & VEENA CLASSES - MUSIC ROOM (NEXT TO SRI RAGHAVENDRA SANNIDHI)

For Information Please Contact the Temple at (718) 460-8484 ext. 112 or email: hts@nyganesh temple.org

Bharatanatyam Teacher - Mrs. Mathy Pillai (609) 321-2136

Kathak Teacher - Pandit SN Charka (845) 783-7514 or (646) 489-7790

Vocal Music Teacher - Mrs. Rajalakshmi Sankar (979) 777-6468

Veena Teacher - Mrs. Nivedita Shivraj (212) 203-3555

INTERFAITH & COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES



*Welcome Table (Soup Kitchen) - St. George's Church
February 2017*



*Special Interfaith Service "Together As One" -
by NYPD & NYC Mayor's Office of Community Affairs
Thursday, March 2nd, 2017*



*Interfaith Passover Seder
Thursday, March 30th, 2017*



*Thrive NYC - Faith Leaders Meeting at Gracie Mansion
Wednesday, April 19th, 2017*

The Temple is now in a position to broaden the scope of its Mission and Vision with a singular focus to further grow to be a major, if not the preeminent, Religious, Spiritual and Cultural Center in the United States. Accordingly, the volunteers/leaders of the Temple have started calibrating their efforts towards this goal. As is common in such situations, space is premium and the Temple's plans include the building of an Outreach Center and an Educational Center hopefully within the next 5 years. These initiatives require substantial investment of time and money and therefore the Temple needs the continued generous support of the volunteers and donors.

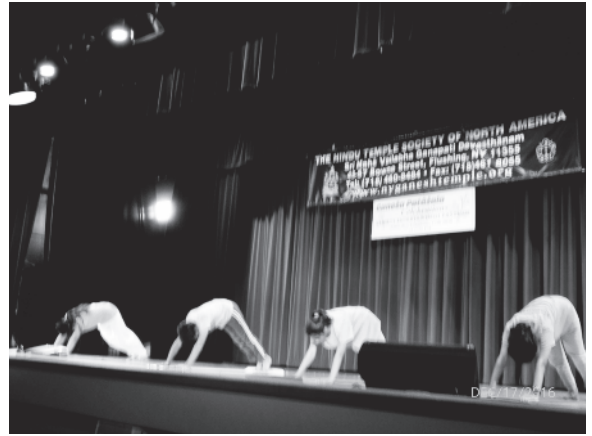
To this end, the Temple has already enhanced its religious services by introducing new and special rituals that have enhanced the vibration and energy in the Temple. But as the devotee population, especially the young families and professionals, grow in large numbers, their need to connect with the followers of other faiths becomes extremely important because their success is largely dependent how well they assimilate while retaining our rich culture. The Temple thus has the potential to play a large role in assisting and shaping the religious, spiritual and cultural growth of the children and other young devotees.

Plans are being made for relevant cultural and spiritual education, opportunities to interact with interfaith organizations and for participating in multi faith forums. The Temple is already participating in the Soup Kitchen and Welcome Table efforts of St. Georges Episcopal and Universal Unitarian churches. Collaboration with prestigious organizations such as the AJC, JCRC, Interfaith Centers etc. adds to our contributions to the society with respect to social causes. The City Government has also taken notice of the Temple's influence and has made the Temple a member of its Faith Advisory Board to address significant matters such as safety, disaster recovery and other essential emergency services. We have also been participating in several forums organized by the U.N. In other words, we are off to a good start but the momentum can be maintained only through the increased involvement of talented volunteers and expanding and deepening our sources of donations.

CULTURAL & OUTREACH ACTIVITIES



*Ganeša Pātāśala Celebrations - Variety Entertainment Show
Saturday, December 17th 2016*



*Ganeša Pātāśala Celebrations -
Variety Entertainment Show
Saturday, December 17th 2016*



*Maha Ganapati Natya Gana Sabha
Saturday, January 7th, 2017*



*Republic Day of India Celebrations
Saturday, January 28th, 2017*



*Madhwa Navami Weekend Celebrations -
Bhajans Program
Sunday, February 5th, 2017*

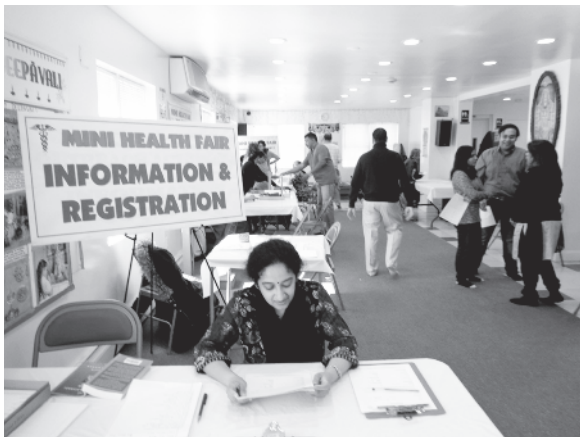
CULTURAL & OUTREACH ACTIVITIES



*Composer's Day
Saturday, March 11th, 2017*



*Discourse by Swami Pratyagbodhananda
Saturday, March 25th, 2017*



*Mini Health Fair
Sunday, April 2nd, 2017*



*STEM Fair (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math)
Saturday, April 8th, 2017*



*STEM Fair (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math)
Saturday, April 8th, 2017*



*'Holi Festival' & 'Earth Day' with Multi-Cultural
Dances at the Queens Museum
Sunday, April 23rd, 2017*

Daily Services at the Temple

- 8:00 am Mahā Ganapati Suprabhātam*
Usha Kāla Pooja
- 8:15 am Śiva Abhishekam
- 8:15 am Venkateśwara Suprabhātam[§] / Mahā Ganapati Homam
- 9:00 am Mahā Ganapati Abhishekam[¶]
- 9:00 am & 5:00 pm Veda Pārāyanam
- 7:00 pm Sarva Devata Hārati

*Weekends at 7:30 am /[§]8:00 am ^ Sundays at [¶]11:00 am

Weekly Services at the Temple

Monday

- 7:15 pm Śiva Abhishekam

Tuesday

- 8:15 am Hanumān Abhishekam
- 9:00 am Nāgendra Abhishekam
- 10:00 am Kāmākshi Abhishekam
- 5:30 pm Hanumān Sahasranāma Pooja
- 6:00 pm Hanumān Chalisa Pārāyanam
- 7:15 pm Shanmukha Abhishekam

Wednesday

- 6:00 pm Saraswati Abhishekam
- 7:15 pm Saraswati Sahasranāma Archana

Thursday

- 8:30 am Rāghavendra Swāmy Abhishekam
- 9:00 am Dakshināmorthy Abhishekam
- 6:00 pm Dakshināmorthy Rudra Triṣati Nāma Archana
- 6:00 pm Rāghavendra Swāmy Sahasranāma Pooja
- 7:15 pm Rāghavendra Guru Pāduka Pooja
- 7:15 pm Gayatri Japam

Friday

- 10:00 am Pārvati Abhishekam, Lalita Sahasranāma Pārāyanam
- 10:30 am Mahā Lakshmi Sahasranāma Archana
- 7:15 pm Mahā Lakshmi Abhishekam, Mahā Lakshmi Stothram

Saturday

- 8:30 am Vishnu Sahasranāma Pārāyanam
- 9:00 am Rāghavendra Swāmy Abhishekam
- 9:00 am Navagraha Abhishekam
- 11:00 am Venkateśwara Abhishekam
- 6:00 pm Venkateśwara Sahasranāma Pooja

Sunday

- 11:00 am Mahā Ganapati Abhishekam
- 4:30 pm Durga Abhishekam, Durga Sahasranāma Archana
- 6:00 pm Mahā Ganapati Sahasranāma Pooja



SUGGESTED HOMAMS / POOJAS FOR PARIHARA,

GENERAL WELFARE & DURING OTHER AUSPICIOUS EVENTS

- Mahā Ganapati Homam
Sudarśana Homam *Removal of all obstacles*
Sankata Hara Chaturthi Pooja
- Mahā Lakshmi Homam
Śankhābhishekam *Success in all endeavors*
- Mrityunjaya Homam
Dhanvantari Homam *Recover from ill-health*
Āditya Hrudaya Pārāyanam/Homam
- Nāga Śānti Homam
Subrahmanya Homam
Kāla Rāhu Śānti Homam *Removal of Sarpa Dosha*
Nāga Pratishtha
Āślesha Homam
Garuda Homam
- Chandi Homam
Sudarśana Homam *Recovery from difficult times*
Navagraha Homam
Navagraha Homam *Overcoming problems*
Sudarśana Homam
- Santāna Gopala Krishna Homam
Purusha Sookta Homam *Praying for child*
- Swayamvara Pārvati Pooja
Durga Deepa Namaskaram *Praying for marriage*
Srinivāsa Kalyānam
Pārvati Kalyānam
- Bāla Mārkaṇḍeya Homam
Āyushya Homam *Protecting child*
- Mahā Ganapati Homam
Sudarśana Homam *Moving into new house*
Vishnu Homam, Vastu Homam
Rakshoghna Homam
- Āyushya Homam *First and subsequent birthdays*
- Āyushya Homam
Rudra Homam *60th, 70th, & 80th birthdays*
Navagraha Homam *and Longevity*
Mrityunjaya Homam
Sarva Devata Homam
Sudarśana Homam
Dhanvantari Homam
- Saraswati Homam *Initiating into studies*
- Sudarśana Homam *Business Development*
- Chandi Pātha Samputi
Pārāyanam / Homam *Career Advancement*
- Sandhi Śānti Homam *Graba Śānti*
- Lakshmi Nārāyana Hrudaya
Pārāyanam / Homam *Prosperity*
- Satyanārāyana Pooja
Budha Graha Śānti Pooja *Wisdom*
- Tila Homam, Prāyaschitta
Pavamāna Homam *Repentance*
- Satyanārāyana Pooja *General Welfare (Loka Kshemam)*
- Sundara Khānda Pārāyanam *For success in all efforts*

Scheduled Services at the Temple

First & Third Tuesday of every month at 9:30 am

- Sundara Kānda Pārāyanam

First Thursday of every month at 9:00 am

- Guru Homam

First Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm

- Gayatri Abhishekam

First Saturday of every month at 8:00 am

- Navagraha Homam

First Saturday of every month at 6:00 pm

- Ayyappa Abhishekam, Pooja & Bhajans

Second Saturday of every month at 6:00 pm

- Sudaršana Abhishekam

Second Saturday of every month at 7:15 pm

- Sudaršana Sahasranāma Pooja

Second Saturday of every month at 7:15 pm

- Saneeshwara Sahasranāma Pooja

Third Saturday of every month at 6:00 pm

- Ayyappa Sahasranāma Pooja

Third Saturday of every month at 6:00 pm

- Dhanvantari & Garuda Abhishekam

First Sunday of every month at 9:00 am

- Soorya Namaskaram

First Sunday of every month at 3:00 pm

- Devi Khodiyār Mātā Pooja

On Poornima at 9:00 am (on Sundays at 11:00 am)

- Agastya & Lopāmudra Abhishekam

On Poornima at 9:00 am (when falls on Friday ONLY)

- Māha Lakshmi Homam

On Poornima at 10:00 am

- Kāmākshi Abhishekam (moolavar & utsavar),
Sahasranāma Pooja

On Poornima at 6:00 pm

- Mahā Meru Navāvarana Pooja

- Satyanārāyana Abhishekam

On Poornima at 7:15 pm

- Satyanārāyana Pooja

On Pradosham*

- Śiva & Nandikeśwara Abhishekam

(*please refer to the Temple website/facebook or contact the Temple directly for exact *pradosha kāla abhishekam* timings)

On Krittika at 9:00 am

- Shanmukha Sahasranāma Pooja

On Krittika at 7:15 pm

- Shanmukha Abhishekam

On Śukla Shashti at 9:00 am (on Tuesdays at 6:00 pm)

- Subrahmanya Homam

On Śukla Shashti at 10:30 am (on Tuesdays at 7:15 pm)

- Subrahmanya Abhishekam

On Śukla Chaturthi at 8:15 am

- Mahā Ganapati Homam

On Śukla Chaturthi at 9:00 am

- Mahā Ganapati Utsavar Abhishekam

On Krishna (Sankata Hara) Chaturthi at 7:15 pm

- Mahā Ganapati Abhishekam, *Sahasranāma Pooja
(*after morning Abhishekam & if falls on Sunday at 6:00 pm)

On Punarvasu Nakshatra at 9:00 am

- Rāma Abhishekam, Sahasranāma Pooja

On Rohini Nakshatra at 9:00 am

- Krishna Abhishekam, Sahasranāma Pooja

On Ardra Nakshatra at 6:00 pm

- Śiva Sahasranāma Pooja

On Śravana Nakshatra at 9:00 am

- Dhanvantari Sahasranāma Pooja

On Amavasya at 6:00 pm

- Bhairava Sahasranāma Pooja

On Krishna Ashtami at 7:15 pm

- Bhairava Abhishekam

On Moola Nakshatra at 9:00 am

- Hanumān Abhishekam

UTSAVAR ABHISHEKAMS

First Sunday of every month at 6:00 pm

- Śiva-Parvati Utsavar Abhishekam

Second Sunday of every month at 6:00 pm

- Shanmukha Utsavar Abhishekam

Third Sunday of every month at 6:00 pm

- Venkateshwara Utsavar Abhishekam

Fourth Sunday of every month at 6:00 pm

- Maha Lakshmi Utsavar Abhishekam

Combined Tariff - Religious Services & Dravyas

	Temple	Outside***	Schedule Day
Abhishekam	\$131	\$155	\$ 51
Annaprāsana	\$101	\$131	
Ashtottara Archana	\$ 10		
Ekādaśavāra			
Rudrabhishekam	\$375	\$425	
Griha Praveśam		\$235	
Guru Paduka Pooja	\$ 51		\$ 31
Hair Offering	\$101	\$131	
Harati	\$ 2		
Homams:Ganapati	\$131	\$181	\$ 51
Navagraha	\$161	\$211	
Chandi	\$251	\$301	
All Others	\$131	\$181	
Kanaka Abhishekam	\$301		
Kālyāna Utsavam*	\$201*	\$501†	
Last Rites (Funeral)		\$151	
Apara Kriya (other than Funeral)	\$101	\$131	
Lighting of Lamps			
- with oil	\$ 1		
- with ghee	\$ 2		
Nāmakaranam	\$101	\$131	
Navāvarana Pooja	\$125	\$201	\$ 31
Punyāhavāchanam	\$101	\$131	
Sahasranāma Archana	\$ 25		\$ 11
Satyanārāyana Pooja	\$125	\$181	\$ 31
Satyanārāyana Pooja - (SAT/SUN)	\$101**		
Seemantam	\$375	\$425	
Śrāddham (Hiranya)	\$ 61	\$131	
Śrāddham (Hiranya) w/ homam	\$131	\$181	
Stothram Pārāyanam			\$21
Sashtiapda Purdi (60 th Birthday)	\$450	\$600	
Bhima Ratha Shanti (70 th Birthday)	\$350	\$500	
Sadabhishekam (80 th Birthday)	\$350	\$500	
Tarpanam	\$ 31	\$101	
Trisātināma Archana	\$ 21		\$ 11
Upanayanam	\$375	\$425	
Vada Malā (108)	\$101		
Vada Malā (54)	\$ 51		
Vada Malā (24) Archana	\$ 35		
Vahana (Vehicle) Pooja	\$ 31		
Veda Pārāyanam (per 1 hr session)	\$ 51	\$111	\$ 11
Vidyā-Ārambham	\$101	\$131	
Wedding Engagement	\$151	\$201	
Wedding	\$375	\$425	
All Other Services	UPON REQUEST		

- (I) *On Saturdays & Sundays only at 1:00 pm
 (II) **On Saturdays & Sundays only at 4:00 pm
 (III) †Priests will perform this auspicious religious service at the homes of devotees bring with them *pancha loha vigrahas*. Service must be booked one week in advance.
 (IV) **All services** (except Archana) must be scheduled at least **one week in advance**.
 (V) **Services on scheduled days** should also be booked at least **½ hour prior to commencement of service**.
 (VI) An **additional charge of \$51** will be levied for:
 a) ***Outside (above 25 miles)
 b) Overnight Stay of priests(s)
 c) Each additional service(s)
 (VII) Sponsors are responsible for providing transportation to assigned priests(s). Otherwise, an additional charge will apply.

All the above mentioned tariffs are subject to change.

Special Sponsorship

- *ONE-DAY Sarva Devata (All Deities) Abhishekam***
 Weekday: \$2,501.00
 Weekend/Holidays: \$3,001.00
- *FULL DAY Sponsor of ALL events in the Temple:
 Weekday: \$ 501.00
 Weekend/Holidays: \$1,001.00
- Śankha (Conch) Abhishekam with Homam (Excluding Food Prasādam)
 108 Śankhas \$ 301.00
 54 Śankhas \$ 201.00
 27 Śankhas \$ 151.00
- Satyanārāyana Pooja or Mahā Meru Navāvarana Pooja for WHOLE YEAR
 (performed on Poornima days): \$ 372.00
- ONE-DAY Sarva Devata (All Deities) Archanās**
 Weekday: \$ 125.00
 Weekend/Holidays: \$ 175.00
- Sarva Devata Homam \$ 351.00***
- Special Alankāram for Deities UPON REQUEST

*Sponsors will receive a Ganeśa Silver Coin / Vighraha / Picture and Vibhooti & Kumkuma Prasādam.

**ARCHANĀS (108 Nāmas): Include pooja sāmagris, flowers and fruits.

***ABHISHEKAMS & HOMAMS: Dravyas, sāmagris, garland (small) & Naivedyam (small) are included.

Prasādam will be mailed to absentee sponsors.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

ABHISHEKAMS:

- Regular **Abhishekam** for all deities
- Ekādaśavāra Rudrabhishekam**
- Kanaka Abhishekam** for all deities (at the Temple only)
- Śankha Abhishekam** for all deities (at Temple only)
- Sarva Devata Abhishekam**

ARCHANAS:

- Ashtottaram** (108)
- Sahasra Nāma** (1,008)
- Trisati** (300)

HOMAMS:

- Ganapati** Homam
- Śrī Rudra** Homam
- Sarva Devata** Homam
- Sudarśana** Homam
- Chandi** Homam
- Dhanvantri** Homam
- Vishnu** Homam
- Saraswati** Homam
- Lakshmi Narasimha**
- Navagraha** Homam
- Nāga Śānti** Homam
- Homam**
- Mrityunjaya** Homam
- Śrī Subrahmanya** Homam
- Āyushya** Homam

SAMSKĀRAS:

- Nāma Karanam**
- Seemantham**
- Shashti Abda Poorthi**
- Punyāhavāchanam**
- Griha Ārambham**
- and Śathābhishekam**
- Annaprāśanam**
- Griha Praveśam**
- Apara Kriyas**
- Vidyārambham**
- Upanayanam**
- Hiranya Śrāddham / Pitru Tarpanam**
- Hair Offering**
- Vivāham (Wedding)**

SPECIAL POOJAS for Deities:

- Śrī Satyanārāyana Pooja**
- Śrī Guru Pāduka Pooja**
- Śrī Mahā Meru Navāvarana Pooja**
- Kalyāna Utsavam**
- Navagraha Śānti**

OTHER POOJAS / SERVICES:

- New Business**
- Veda Pārāyana**
- Sundara Khānda**
- Travel**
- Saptasati Pārāyanam**
- Pārāyanam**
- New Vehicle**
- New House**

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TRAVEL DIRECTIONS TO THE TEMPLE

By Automobile: (A) If you are driving from **Manhattan or points West**, take I-495 East (Long Island Expressway) to Exit 24 (Kissena Blvd) and turn LEFT at Kissena Blvd.

(B) If you are driving from **Long Island or points East**, take I-495 West (Long Island Expressway) to Exit 24 (Kissena Blvd) and turn RIGHT at Kissena Blvd.

Drive about a mile on Kissena Blvd and turn RIGHT into Holly Avenue. Drive 3 blocks on Holly Avenue to Bowne Street. The Temple is on the LEFT side.

(C) If you are driving from **Connecticut or points North**, take I-95 South to I-678 South (Van Wyck Expressway). After crossing Whitestone Bridge, stay on I-678 South (RIGHT lane) and take Exit 15 to 20th Ave. At the traffic light, turn LEFT into Parsons Blvd and drive about 2.5 miles. At Flushing Hospital Medical Center (on RIGHT), turn RIGHT into 45th Ave and drive to next block. At Smart Street, turn LEFT and drive to the end of the street to Temple Parking Lot behind the temple.

(D) If you are driving from **Princeton, Philadelphia or points South**, take I-278 via Staten Island and take Exit 35 to I-495 East (Long Island Expressway) and follow directions as above (A).

By Public Transportation: Take Subway **Train No. 7** from Times Square to Flushing Main Street (the last stop on 7 train). Then take MTA **Bus Q27** from Main Street to Bowne Street on Holly Avenue. The bus runs on Kissena Blvd and turns left into Holly Ave Bus Stop. The next stop is Bowne Street near the temple. The bus ride is about 5 to 10 minutes. You may also take MTA **Buses Q17, Q25 and Q34** to Kissena Blvd and Holly Avenue and walk two short blocks to the temple.

Long Island Rail Road (**LIRR**) Trains from Penn Station / Woodside to Port Washington also stop in Flushing Main Street, adjacent to 7 train.

LIST OF HOTELS IN THE VICINITY:

Mariott La Guardia	102-05 Ditmars Blvd. East Elmhurst, NY 11369 Tel: (718) 565-8900
Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza	104-04 Ditmars Blvd. East Elmhurst, NY 11369 Tel: (718) 457-6300
Sheraton La Guardia East Hotel	135-20 39th Avenue Flushing, NY 11354 Tel: (718) 460-6666
Y.M.C.A.	138-46 Northern Blvd. Flushing, NY 11355 Tel: (718) 961-6880
Wingate Inn & Suites	137-07 Northern Blvd. Flushing, NY 11354 Tel: (718) 445-3300
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