

Hindu Temple of Greater Cincinnati



Aradhana

Ashadha/Shravana Vikram Samvat 2081 July,2024

Temple Address for GPS
720 Barg Salt Run Road
Cincinnati, Ohio 45244

TEMPLE TIMINGS
Mon to Fri 9AM - 12:45PM & 5PM - 8PM
Sat & Sun 9AM - 8PM
Major Hindu Holidays 9AM - 8PM

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Cincinnati, Ohio 45244

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Lord Jagannath Ratha Yatra - July 13th,2024 3:00 pm EDT
Lord Jagannath Bahuda Yatra - July 21st,2024 10:30 am EDT



!! Save the Date!!

Sri Rudra - Umiya mata Havan - August 3 - 4, 2024

Taste of India - August 10,2024

New Ther Kumbhabhishekam (Pratishta) - August 17-18,2024.

Sri Venkateswara Brahmotsavam - August 24,2024



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HSGC General Body Meeting – June 2024 (Concluded)

June 2024 General Body Meeting Presentation:

<https://cincinnati temple.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/HSGC-June-2024-General-Body-Mtg.pdf>

Q & A

Question (Attendee1): Six priests were fired during this EC

Answer (President): Since 2022 there was only one termination on Jun 8th of 2024. There was one priest that resigned in Sep of 2023 due to health reasons, and his replacement that arrived in Feb 2024 resigned and left due to a very ill parent in India.

Question (Attendee1): How did we create a role called a Defacto Chief Priest when it's not in the Constitution?

Answer (President): We have created no such role. The word Defacto is not part of the title but rather an adjective that was used to describe the title in a conversation. The role is not in the Constitution.

Question (Attendee1): Why was Kailash ji asked to apologize to the President?

Answer (President): With witnesses present, the President shared a letter denouncing the discrimination that he wanted the priest to sign. The letter did not have any apology and it was expressly stated to the priest and this Attendee (one asking the question). The comment is patently false.

Question (Attendee1): Why could we not accommodate the ~190 people on the zoom in the Temple for the GBM

Answer (President): The estimate given – especially by the Attendee asking the question – was that 300-400 people would come. Adding the numbers of those that had different views the estimate went up to 700 for the Jun 9th mtg originally scheduled. Further, the reasons for the zoom were posted on the website.

Question (Attendee1): Why were financials not published for 2024 yet?

Answer (Secretary): Thanks for pointing this out. We moved to a new financial management system this year and needed some time to learn and use the new system. However we acknowledge the mistake and will be publishing financials through May 2024 now. Also going forward we will be publishing financials every month vs every 2 months required by the constitution in the spirit of transparency.

Question (Attendee2): We like the priest being discussed and we would like to bring him back

Answer (President): We also like the priest and that is why (a) we did not accept his resignation in 2023 and (b) he was given an extended period to sign the Employment Agreement in 2024

Question (Attendee3): This EC has done a nice job with both financials and attendance. Congratulations. The Arbitration Committee – members were biased in both directions. A new committee should be established without bias

Answer (President): Thank you for the praise. We appreciate it. The Arbitration Committee was quite unbiased and 7 of them met the priest and asked him to condemn and denounce the prejudice laden social media campaign and pamphlets. The Priest was assured that a full reset of the discussions would be facilitated if such a denouncement was made. When the said denouncement was not received the Arbitration Committee could not overlook the prejudice and therefore voted for the separation.

Question (Attendee4): I am from North India and also work as a volunteer very closely with other volunteers at the Temple. I have concerns that people view me as biased one way or the other and that makes me uncomfortable.

Answer (President): Your concern is real and we request that you continue to come to the Temple without such fear. That is exactly what this Temple stands for and is for Inclusion

Question (Attendee4): I have a different experience depending on which priest performs the ritual/service. I would like to have the same consistent experience each time.

Answer (President): This is good feedback that we had not received before. We will certainly work on this topic and will reach out to you for specifics

Question (Attendee5): It would have been nice to hear more info on this topic. There was a chronology posted on the website and was removed so we do not know what the facts are. There is a lot of confusion.

Answer (President): Fair point. We had put the entire chronology that was shared in the presentation in this meeting on our website. However, it was removed at the request of attorneys. We should put a simple message out there rather than leaving the link broken.



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HSGC Accounts January - May 2024

HINDU SOCIETY OF GREATER CINCINNATI, INC

Statement of Activity

January - May, 2024

	TOTAL
Revenue	
Total Revenue	
GROSS PROFIT	\$0.00
Expenditures	
Building Maintenance	1,019.71
Contract & professional fees	
Legal fees	1,020.00
Total Contract & professional fees	1,020.00
Elevator Maintenance	330.25
Grass cutting & Landscape	3,455.00
Guest House Renovation	10,000.00
Heating & Cooling Systems	30,665.89
Insurance	
Directors & officers insurance	169.63
Total Insurance	169.63
Miscellaneous	123.00
Occupancy	
Cleaning	8,622.00
Utilities	
Garbage Removal	1,285.09
Gas & Electric	23,378.30
Water & Sewer	670.54
Total Utilities	25,333.93
Total Occupancy	33,955.93
Office expenses	174.85
Bank fees & service charges	3,069.71
Equipment lease & maintenance	6,071.36
Internet & TV services	1,164.07
Memberships & subscriptions	-101.00
Merchant account fees	1,103.65
Software & apps	653.40
Total Office expenses	12,136.04
Payroll expenses	
Group term life insurance	1,695.00
Salaries & wages	59,263.47
Total Payroll expenses	60,958.47
Pest Control	265.81
Security System	1,305.42
Snow Removal	1,855.00



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Statement of Activity

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	TOTAL
Supplies	912.72
Supplies & materials	5,270.00
Kitchen Supplies	2,250.00
Total Supplies & materials	7,520.00
Total Supplies	8,432.72
Total Expenditures	\$165,692.87
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$ -165,692.87
Other Revenue	
General Donation	33,862.05
Gift Shop Income	357.00
Hall Rental Income	1,315.00
Hundi Collections	41,784.00
Interest Earned	770.43
Kroger Matching Gift	719.01
Membership Income	101.00
Puja Income	14,363.00
Anna Prashanam	202.00
Archana	5,896.00
Ayyappan Income	2,801.03
Balaji Puja Income	4,879.85
Car Puja Income	4,045.58
Chandi Havan Income	755.00
Funeral	2,616.00
Ganesh Puja Income	1,475.00
Grih Pravesh	2,465.00
Hanuman Chalisa Income	546.00
Hanuman Jayanthi Income	1,098.00
Jagannath Income	93.00
Maha Shivrathri Income	11,949.00
Mataki Chowki Income	6,338.00
Mundan	866.00
Murugan Income	14,211.79
Namkaran	454.00
Navagraha Income	1,313.00
New Year Income	990.00
Other	13,186.59
Ram Katha Income	201.00
Ramayan Path Income	3,002.00
Satyanarayana Katha Income	7,092.00
Shiv Puja Income	1,803.00
Shraddha Puja Income	5,512.00
Sundarkanth Puja Income	2,610.00



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Statement of Activity

January - May, 2024

	TOTAL
Umiya Mata	1,701.00
Total Puja Income	112,464.84
Special Events Income	2,327.69
5k Walk	251.00
Total Special Events Income	2,578.69
Special Projects Income	
Barg Salt Run Side Marg	10,000.00
Bhagyalakshmi Raffle	13,511.00
Front Project Income	10,119.00
Garland Fund	4,861.83
Jagannath Rath	22,950.00
Murugan	54,442.60
Total Special Projects Income	115,884.43
Wedding Income	1,051.00
Yoga Income	106.78
Total Other Revenue	\$310,994.23
Other Expenditures	
Gift Shop Expense	783.19
Puja Expense	485.00
Ayyappan Expense	2,258.41
Chandi Havan Expense	-101.00
Misc Expense	100.00
Murugan Expense	8,789.01
Total Puja Expense	11,531.42
Special Events Expense	3,451.50
Mela Expense	1,900.00
Total Special Events Expense	5,351.50
Special Projects Expense	
Front Project Expense	6,000.00
Murugan Expense	22,437.90
Total Special Projects Expense	28,437.90
Taxes	
Federal Tax	15,627.93
Property Tax	6,846.00
State Tax	1,055.00
Total Taxes	23,528.93
Total Other Expenditures	\$69,632.94
NET OTHER REVENUE	\$241,361.29
NET REVENUE	\$75,668.42



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Bhagya Lakshmi Raffle

Starting this Diwali 2023, sponsor bricks in the names of your loved ones and create a lasting legacy at the Temple!



Each brick entitles you to a chance to win:

Mercedes E Class

or

Tesla Model Y



Runners up 1oz American Eagle Gold Coin

Proceeds will be used for Expansion of Temple

Conditions

1. Sponsorship of new brick for \$501 mandatory for participation in the Raffle.
2. Drawing only after 1,116 Bricks sold
3. First prize is a Tesla Model Y or a Mercedes E Class or any equivalent car with a total price not to exceed \$65,000 including all fees. Winner may choose to pay any amount in excess of this limit.
4. Runners up prizes – 5 total – 1 oz gold coins
5. Adopt 2 bricks to double your chances and also become lifetime member of the Temple.
6. Bricks will be only installed after the completion of the expansion projects.
7. 1099 will be issued to winners per tax law.
8. All proceeds of this Raffle are for expansion of Temple projects – rules subject to change to ensure Temple is protected.



<https://rb.gy/i45oi>



SHRAVAN SOMVAR

Shiva - Abhishekam

July 22nd, 29th, August 5th, 12th, 19th



Program Details:

10:00 am to 11:30 am Shiva Abhishek & Aarti

06:30 pm to 7:15 pm Shiva Abhishek , *Bilva Patra Archana

07:05 pm to 8:00 pm Shiva Mahimnaha Path, Bhajans & Aarti.

Sponsorship:

Abhishek \$101.00 , Archana \$21.00

*Bilva patra Archana (Depends on Availability of Bilva patra)

For more details, please contact:

Temple

513-528-3714

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Senthil Karmegam

304-610-2823



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कदाचित् कालिन्दी तट विपिन सङ्गीत तरलो
मुदाभीरी नारी वदन कमलास्वाद मधुपः ।
रमा शम्भु ब्रह्मामर पति गणेशार्चित पदो
जगन्नाथः स्वामी नयन पथ गामी भवतु मे ॥१॥

Lord Jagannatha be the object of my vision!!!

Hindu Temple of Greater Cincinnati cordially invites you with family & friends to **LORD JAGANNATH RATHA YATRA**

Ratha Yatra - July 13th, Saturday, 2024 at 3:00 PM ET



Address:

720 Barg Salt Run Rd,
Cincinnati, OH 45244

We appreciate your
generous sponsorship:

Ratha Yatra: \$101/-

Archana: \$21/-



Program Schedule

9:30 AM ET

Vighneshwar Puja
Jagannath Puja
Vastu Havan

3:00 PM ET

Sri Jagannath Puja
Archana
Ratha Puja
Pahandi

Chera Pahanrah

4:00 PM ET

RATHA-YATRA

Deep Daan
Sringer
Bhajan

Devdasi Dance
Vote of Thanks

7:00 PM ET

Aarti & Prasad

For details, please call Temple 513 528-3714, Acharya Chakreshwar Sharma 513 765 0527 and Senthil 304 610 2823.

BAHUDA YATRA - July 21st, Sunday 10:30 AM ET



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नीलाचलनिवासाय नित्याय परमात्मने
बलभद्रसुभद्राभ्यां जगन्नाथाय ते नमः

By Dibyajyoti Kanungo

The Jagannath's name literally translates to "Lord of the Universe." Puri, one of the coastal districts of Odisha where Jagannath temple is located named as "Jagannath Dham". This is one of the four divined "Dham" in India.

Lord Jagannatha is worshiped as Saguna Brahma (with definite form) and Nirguna Brahma (without any form). Sagun Brahma, Purusha-Sukta of the Rig Veda says 'Brahma Daru Smarami' which indicates an 'Apuruseya Daru' (log of wood) or 'Adi-Brahma' floating in the ocean since time of immemorial. He is the only God in Sanatana Hindu who is made of wood and the deities has a definite life span represents Saguna Brahma. Brahma Padarth believed to be naval plexus of Lord Krishna inside the deities represents Nirguna Brahma.

Further, the Upanisads designate Him as the Sat-Chit-Ananda (Truth-Sense-Bliss) Swarupa of the Brahma, the Eternal Entity pervading the whole Universe. The description 'Apada Sirsha' in the Mundaka Upanishad signifies that God has neither foot nor head which symbolizes Lord Jagannath. The Shvetashvatara Upanisad Chapter 3.1 describes the Brahman: **उपनिपाद जीवोग्रनिता, पश्चात्यचक्षुः सपन्थोत्यकर्णुः** which means that the Brahma sans feet move faster, sans hands accept everything, sans eyes see all around and sans ears hears all sounds.

Traces found in the Skanda-Purana, Brahma Purana and other Puranas that Lord Jagannath was originally worshipped as Neela Madhab by a Savarking (tribal chief) named Viswavasu. Lord Nila Madhaba appeared in the dream of King Indradyumna, the legendary King of Kalinga, and told him to bring back the Lord to Kalinga and build temple for Lord Jagannath, Sister Subhadra, Big Brother Balabhadra and Lord Sudarshan.

To represent all four races of the earth, Lord Jagannath is black (Mystery), Lord Balabhadra is white (Insight), Sister Subhadra is yellow (Honesty), and Lord Sudarshan is red (symbolizes love, commitment, strength and bravery). Jagannath Yatra is a festival that celebrates the journey of Lord Jagannath, Lord Balabhadra, and Subhadra on giant wooden chariots from the Jagannath temple to Gundichatemple. Lord Jagannath celebrated His Ratha Yatra long time back which is mentioned in the Padma Purana, Brahma Purana, and Skanda Purana. The wooden chariot is made of a particular type of wood that is later dismantled and goes to the temple kitchen to be used as firewood to cook prasad. The key lessons to be learned from Ratha Yatra festival:

Family Time: The 'Lord of the Universe', Lord Jagannath travels in a chariot to visit His maternal Aunt. Let's shower our loved ones with our unconditional love during Ratha Yatra week!

Diversity and Inclusion: Millions of people come together from different parts of world to take part in this festival. This symbolizes unity within diversity!

Patience: One of my favorite stories around the origin of Lord Jagannath's deity is King Indradyumna wanted to build a massive temple in Puri with wooden deities of four Lords. Many architects tried to build the deities but failed to leverage their tools to carve the deities. That concerned the King. Surprisingly, an old carpenter came to King's Kingdom to declare that he shall build the deities with condition that the door of the room where he would work, should be remain closed, King will be apprised when the work will be over. The King was growing impatient as he did not hear any sound from the room even after two weeks passed. Succumbing to his impatience, he opened the door of the room and the carpenter vanished in thin air as the King broke the condition. It is believed that the carpenter was none other than Lord Vishwakarma himself. This story shows us the importance of patience in our life.

The Jagannath Rath Yatra holds immense significance in Hindu mythology and culture. The procession of the deities in specially designed chariots, called Ratha, is a spectacle that attracts thousands of devotees. It is believed that participating in the Rath Yatra and pulling the chariots cleanses one's sins and grants blessings. The festival promotes devotion, unity, and spirituality among the devotees.

The Lord Jagannath's "Parivar Pratistha" was established at Hindu Temple of Greater Cincinnati in 2004. This was only possible due to relentless efforts, strong determination, a lot of hard work, and pure dedication by Mrs. Swarna Choudhury, Mr. Harlal Choudhury, Odia community and blessings from Lord Jagannath. In 2007, Lord Jagannath decided to begin the Chariot festival, to observe and bless His devotees outside of the temple. It has been a journey for last 17+ years on Chariot celebration which witnessed the exquisite three deities on the chariot, guiding humankind the way of life.

Ratha Yatra, the Chariot festival is one of the celebrations of Prabhu Jagannath that observes tears swell in the eyes and hearts skip a beat as chants of "Hari Boll or Jai Jagannath" that ripples out from Hindu Temple of Greater Cincinnati campus with eternal love, affection, and pure devotion. Jai Jagannath!!!



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The Hindu Temple of Greater Cincinnati
cordially invites you with family in

MATA KI
CHOWKI

Friday, July 19, 2024
4pm followed by dinner

Sponsored by Harsh & Jyoti Sachdeva



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ShriNathaji Hindola (Jhoola) Utsav **Sunday - July 28th, 2024: 10:30 am to 1:00 pm** ***Ashadh Krishna Ashtami***



Program

10:30 am	Shrinathaji Pooja
11:00 am	Hindola Darshan
11:30 am	Stotram and Path
	Hindola Kirtan, Krishna Bhajan
1:00 pm	Shri Yamunaji Aarati
	Main Aarti.
	Followed by Maha Prasad (Lunch)

Sponsored By:

Rupal and Rakesh Ambani

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Meena Mehta	513-574-6763
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Special events this month

Sat	6 th	10:30 am	Netrotsava seva
Sat	6 th	6:00 pm	Sai Bhajans
Sun	7 th	10:30 am	1008 Gayatri Japam
Sun	7 th	10:30 am	Ganesh Puja
Sat	13 th	3:00 pm	Jagannath ji Rathayatra Celebration
Sun	14 th	10:30 am	Sunderkand path
Fri	19 th	4:00 pm	Mata Ki Chouki
Sat	20 th	5:00 pm	Murugan Abhishekam
Sat	20 th	6:00 pm	Guru Purnima - Satyanarayana puja
Sun	21 st	10:30 pm	Bahuda Yatra
Wed	24 th	6:00 pm	Sankashti (Sankata hara) Chaturthi Puja
Sat	27 th	10:30 am	Venkateshwara Abhishekam
Sat	27 th	5:30 pm	Ayyappan Abhishekam
Sun	28 th	10:30 am	Shri Nathaji Hindola Utsav



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Featured programs next month - August 2024

Sat	3 rd	8:00 am	Sri Rudra - Umiya mata Havan - Day 1 Sri Rudra Havan & Mata ki Chowki
Sat	3 rd	3:00 pm	Sri Rudra - Umiya mata Havan - Day 1 Mata ki Chowki
Sun	3 rd	8:00 am	Sri Rudra - Umiya mata Havan - Day 2 Umiya mata Havan
Sat	10 th	11:00 am	Taste of India/Mela - All day
Sat	10 th	10:30 am	1008 Gayatri Japam
Sun	11 th	10:00 am	Rudra Yagna & Dwadash Jyothirlinga Parthiv Puja
Fri	16 th	6:00 pm	Varalakshmi Vrat
Sat	17 th	9:00 am	New Ther Kumbhabhishekam (Pratishta) - Day 1
Sun	18 th	8:30 am	New Ther Kumbhabhishekam (Pratishta) - Day 2
Mon	19 th		Shravan Purnima/Raksha bandhan/
Mon	19 th	6:00 pm	Satyanarayan Puja
Thurs	22 nd	6:00 pm	Sankashti (Sankata hara) Chaturthi Puja
Sat	24 th	10:30 am	Sri Venkateswara Brahmotsavam
Sat	24 th	5:30 pm	Ayyappan Abhishekam
Sun	25 th	10:30 pm	Ganesh puja & Sunderkand path
Mon	26 th	6:00 pm	Sri Krishna Janmashtami
Sat	31 st	3:00 pm	Mata Ki Chowki



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SHRI RUDRA-UMIYA MATA YAGNA 2024



Auspicious Celebration of Shiv Parivar

(Lord Shiva Maha Yagna, Mata Ki Chowki, Umiya Mata Havan, Lord Ganesha Puja, Lord Murugan Puja and Abhishekam)

August 3, 2024

Rudra Yagna is a profound and spiritually enriching ritual that emphasizes devotion, surrender, and seeking the divine grace of Lord Shiva. Devotees believe that participating in the ceremony brings spiritual benefits and helps them overcome difficulties in life.

Saturday - August 3rd (Morning) - Shri Rudra Yagna

08:00am - Ganesh Puja along with Sankalpam for Sponsors

08:15am - Punyahavachanam, Kalasthapana Puja is performed in Yagna Sala (outside)

08:30am - Mahanyasa Purvaka Ekavara Rudrabhishekam

09:45am - Utsava Murthy procession to Yagna Sala

10:00am - Ganesh Havan, Lord Murugan Havan, Shri Durga Mata Havan, Rudra Havan Ekadasa Rudra Parayan, Devotees perform Havan.

01:00pm - Pooranhuti followed by Aarthi

01:15pm - Temple Aarthi - Inside followed by Lunch Mahaprasad

Sponsorship details contact:

John Rajendran cincy7085@hotmail.com

\$501 - Sri Rudrabhishekam, Sri Rudra havan, Sri Ganesha havan, Sri Durga havan, Sri murugan havan.

\$251 - Sri Rudra havan.

For schedule and event information:

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या देवी सर्वभूतेषु शक्तिरूपेण संस्थिता | नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः॥

MATA KI CHOUKI

Saturday - August 3rd, 2024

3:00 pm to 7:00 pm



Program:

3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Devi Puja
4:30 pm - 7:00 pm Mata Bheten
7:00 pm Bhog Aarti. Prasad (Dinner)

Sponsored by:

Lord Shiva Parivar

For details, contact:

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The Taste of
INDIA

MELA & NAACH SITARE

Culture, food, dance, rides, games, shopping and more!



AUGUST 10, 2024

11am to 7pm - Flag hoisting at 7pm

720 BARG SALT RUN ROAD, CINCINNATI, OHIO 45244

Visit www.cincinnatiemple.com for full details!



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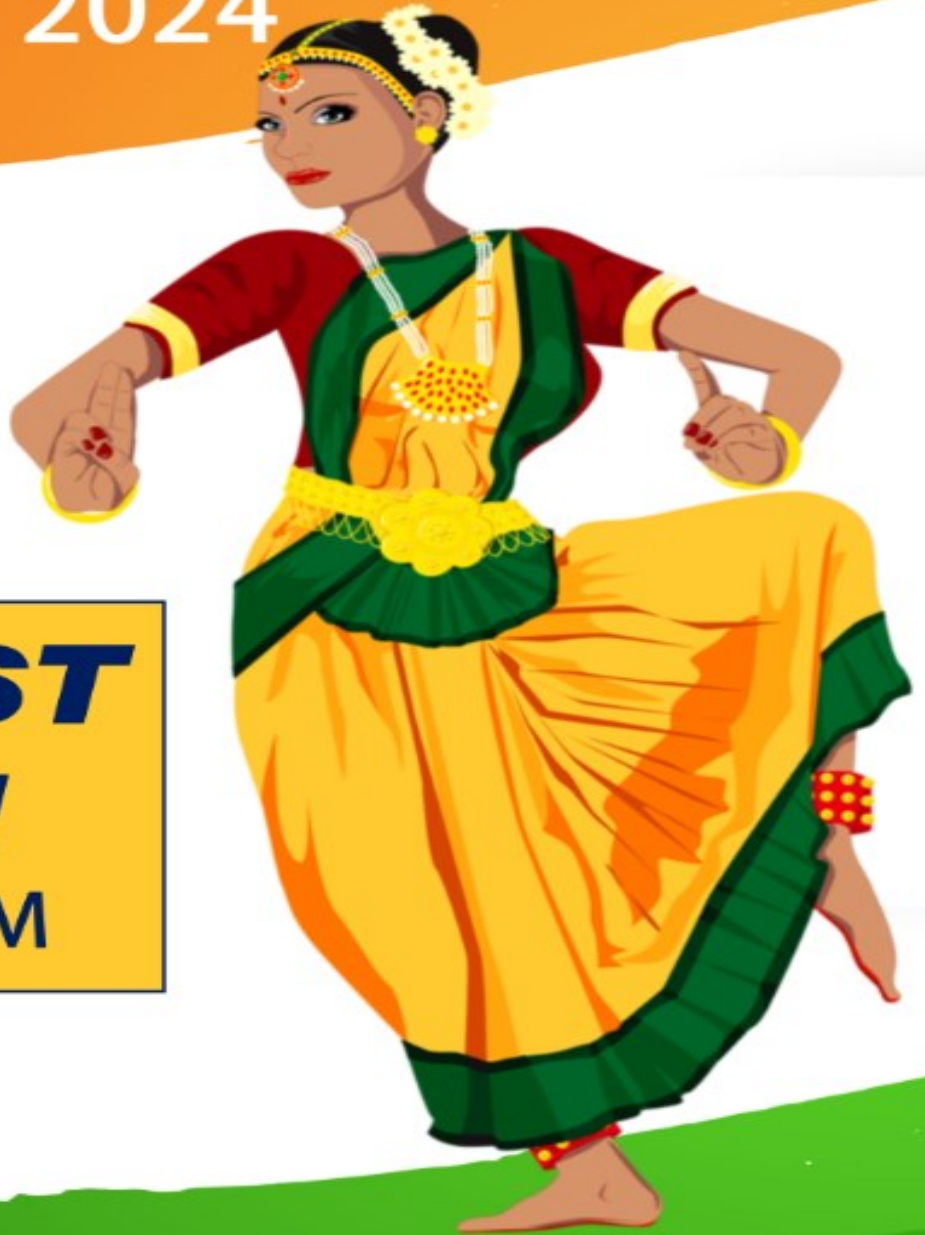
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2024

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AUGUST
10TH
12PM - 6PM



720 Barg Salt Run Road, Cincinnati, OH 45244



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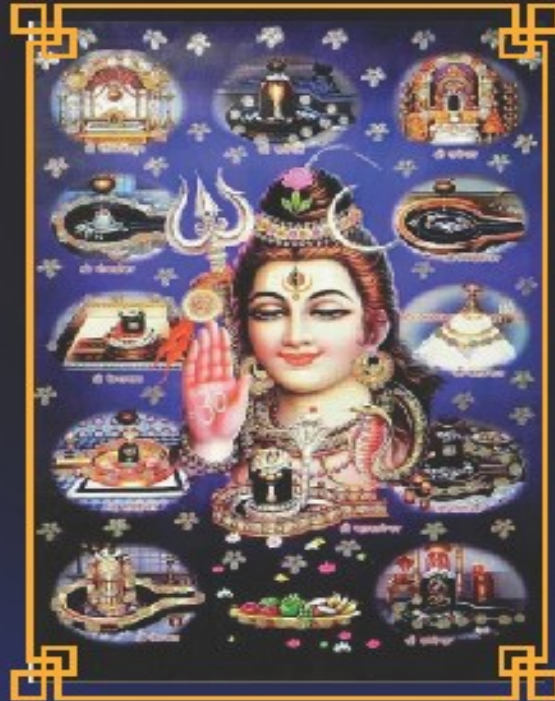
Cordially Invites You With Family & Friends
On The Occasion Of The Temple's

Rudra Yagna & Dawadash Jyotirlinga Parthiv Puja

August 11th - Sunday - 10 AM

Programs: 10 AM - Abhishekam
11 AM - Havan
12:30 PM - Aarti
1 PM - Prasad

Sponsorships: \$101 - Parthiv Pooja
\$51 - Havan



For Details - Contact:
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Event sponsored by Nepali
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Hindu Society of Greater Cincinnati
Arulmigu Cincinnati Murugan
New Ther Kumbabhishekam (Pratishtha)
August 17 - 18, 2024



Performed by
Sri Arun Viswanath(Austin), Sri Ramesh Rajamani (Dayton), Sri Ramesh Bhattar(Aurora) .
Sri Chakreshwar Sharma, Sri Valbhav Pathak and Sri Anrudh Bangalore (Cincinnati)

New Cincinnati Murugan Ther

Murugan devotees in Cincinnati have long aspired to have a new Ther (chariot) for Lord Murugan built according to Saiva and Vedic traditions. By the grace of Cincinnati Murugan, we are excited to see this coming to reality this year. We will celebrate this memorable milestone in a grand manner that is fitting for the occasion, with a Ther Kumbabhishekam (Pratishtha) on Aug. 17-18, 2024.

All devotees are cordially invited to participate in the two-day celebration consisting of Homam, Ther Kumbabhishekam, Moolavar Abhishekam, and Ther Urvalam, and receive showers of Blessings from Cincinnati Murugan as he comes in procession aboard the New Ther.

Significance of Ther

Ther festival in temples is an age-old practice in India and Sri Lanka and is the most prominent festival during the annual mahotsavam celebrations. There are references to it in Vedas, Puranas and Thirumurai. It is an awe-inspiring experience to watch a huge Ther carrying the Utsavamoorthy, trundling along the streets during the Ther festivals.

Ther festival is said to have a unique purpose and significance. Ther is considered to be a mobile temple. On the auspicious day of Ther festival, Lord comes out of the temple in procession to the people in the city, to give those unable to visit the temple the opportunity to pray, and to give them Darshan and Blessings. The temple is always full of divine power. As the Ther moves along the streets, that divine power and God's Blessings spreads throughout the city, energizing the devotees. Devotees can be seen rejoicing in celebration by welcoming the God with colorful decorations, kolams on the streets and making offerings such as garlands and prasatham.

Contacts

Faillitators: Ambi Balasubramaniam (513 256 4483), T.M. Rajkumar ((513 368 1389), Siva Sivaganesan (513 403 7995), Ram Mohan (513 405 3238), Saravanan Sakthive((513 376 3050). **Pooja Coordinators:** Gopinath Jambulingam (860 944 7894), Krithika Rajesh (513 476 4510), Mohan Singaravelu (313 268 5521), Saran Thangavel (513 300 8263), Ram Jegathesh (513 802 4329), Prema Thavamani (818 399 9166), or send email to cincymurugan@gmail.com.



Aradhana Hindu Temple of Greater Cincinnati

Sri Venkateswara Brahmotsavam

Saturday - August 24th, 2024

10:30 am



Please mark the date!!
Program details will be published separately.

For details, contact:

Hindu Temple	513-528-3714
Anand Konda	732-423-1539
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Regular Programs

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Daily Aarti Everyday Evening 7:30 pm

Weekly programs

Monday 6:30 pm	Shiv Mahimna Stotram
Tuesday 6:30 pm	Hanuman Chalisa Path
Thursday 7:00 pm	Vishnu Sahasranam Parayan
Friday 6:30 pm	Venkateswar Puja

Monthly programs

Satya Narayan Puja

Every Purnima of the month 6:30 pm
Sponsorship \$51

Contact Senthil Karmegam or Temple Priests

Purushottam Naam Stotra Parayan

Every Second Wednesday 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

For details please call: Meena Mehta 513-574-6763

Navgrah Puja

Every First Saturday

Sponsors needed for Puja \$51

Contact Senthil Karmegam or Temple Priests

Sai Bhajans

Every First Saturday at 6 pm to 7:30 pm

Dr. Ganesh 857-719-1500
Rajan 513-331-2058

Murugan Abhishekam/Puja

Normally on Second Saturday
(Follow the schedule on page #8.)

Pandit Muthu Meenakshi Shivachariar 513-488-2986
Saravanan Sakhtivel 513-376-3050
Natrajan Thavamani 818-523-1631
Rajesh Padmanabham 513-226-4279
Contact Senthil Karmegam or Temple Priests

1008 Gayatri Jap (once a month)
Any Saturday or Sunday of the month.
Please check the calendar

Contact Dr. Ganesh Yadlapalli or Temple Priests

Abhishekam / Kalyanotsavam for LORD SRI VENKATESWARA

Every Fourth Saturday 10:00am to 12:30 pm

To sponsor and details please call any of the following

Anand Konda 732-423-1539
Vasundhara Dasari 513-827-5160 / 777-3353
Apparao Kilaparti 513-459-5679
Gayatri Devarakonda 859-803-6833
Sampath Rallapalli 513-765-0527

Sunder Kand Path

Every Third Sunday 10:30 am to 1:00 pm

Sangita Patel 513-791-0855
Senthil Karmegam 304-610-2823

Shri Ganesh Puja & Atharvshirsha Path

Every Fourth Sunday 11:00 am
This puja is dedicated to each month's
Sankashti Chaturthi to Lord Ganesh

For more information & to sponsor the puja please call
Padmaja Patkar 513-847-7918
Senthil Karmegam 304-610-2823

Shri Jagannath Puja

Normally on Fifth Sunday 11:00 am

For more information & to sponsor the puja please call
Suchitra Mishra 513-573-9775
Contact Senthil Karmegam or Temple Priests

Gurukul Activities

Every Sunday 11:30 am to 1:00 pm

Contact: Dr. Ganesh Yadlapalli 857-791-1500
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Daksha Munsif 859-866-8365, N. Ganesh Yadlapalli 857-719-1500
Koti Sreekrishna 513-290-3064, Neetu Verma - 937-475-6453

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Amulya Tyagi (Chair Person)
Ambi Balasubramaniam
Mohan Chopra
Meena Mehta
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Legal Advisor	Pavan Parikh	
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Temple Database:	Nandkumar Khemchandani, Raj Badolia, Greg Smith	
Community Relations:	Meena Mehta	
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Gift Shop:	Meena Sondhi, Vina Bajaj	
Security:	Greg Smith, Pinakin Bhakta (Dial One)	
Financial Data:	Nand Kumar Khemchandani, Raj Bodolia, Laxmi Srivastava	
Project Manager:	Vithal Nemade	
Temple Website:	Bharat Vala, Greg Smith,	
Temple - Calendar:	Senthil Karmegam,	
Volunteer - Services:	Mohan Chopra, Rajan Odayar, Kedarnath Nambori Vijay Sharma	
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Ramleela Cmte:	Vinod Sudhakar, Kamlesh Singh	

Durga Project Program

Domestic Abuse/Violence Contact
Kalpana Parekh 513-505-6886
Avisha Gulrajani 513-591-9739

Puja and Rental Charges

RATES FOR PUJA & PRIEST SERVICES

SERVICES	IN TEMPLE	OUTSIDE TEMPLE
Abhishekam (All Deities)	\$101.00	—
Aksharabhyas	\$101.00	\$151.00
Akhand Ramayan Paath	\$251.00	\$501.00
Anna-Prashanam	\$101.00	\$151.00
Anniversary celebration	\$151.00	\$201.00
Ashta Prakari Puja (Mahavir)	\$101.00	\$151.00
Ashtoththaram (108) Archana	\$ 11.00	—
AyushyaHomam/B'day Celeb.	\$101.00	\$151.00
Ganesh Puja	\$101.00	\$151.00
Ground Breaking Ceremony	—	\$151.00
Griha Pravesh (House Warming)	—	\$151.00
Griha Pravesh w/SatyaNarayan Puja	—	\$201.00
Kalayana Uthsava	\$151.00	\$201.00
Kesh Khandan/Mundan/Churakrn	\$101.00	\$151.00
Mata Ki Chauki**	\$251.00	\$301.00**
Naam-Karan	\$101.00	\$151.00
Navagraha Puja	\$101.00	\$151.00
Nischitartham (Engagement)	\$151.00	\$251.00
Nitya (1 Day) Kainkaryam (Seva)	\$101.00	---
Sahasranama (1008) Archana	\$ 51.00	---
Sathyanarayana Puja	\$101.00	\$151.00
Sathyanarayan Puja w/Havan	\$131.00	\$201.00
Seemantham(Baby Shower)	\$151.00	\$201.00
Shanti Path	\$101.00	\$151.00
Shashti Poorthi (60th B'day)	\$201.00	\$251.00
Sunderkand Path	\$101.00	\$151.00
Suprabhat Seva	\$ 21.00	---
Thread Ceremony	\$151.00	\$251.00
Unjal (Swing) Seva	\$ 31.00	---
Upakarma (Thread changing)	\$ 51.00	---
Upanayam/Brahmopadesham/ Vahan Puja	\$ 51.00	----
Wedding (\$ 251.00 Advance Deposit required)	\$301.00	\$501.00
Funeral (Last Rites)		\$ 201.00
Yearly Shradham (Barkhi)	\$101.00	\$151.00

** Rates of Mata Ki Chauki performed at another temple will be 50% of the money collected at the temple or a minimum of \$1001.00.

** Rates of Mata Ki Chauki performed at the residence which is greater than 50 miles away from temple, charge is \$501.00.

Rates are subject to change without notice. Rates of Pujas not listed above and requiring less than four hours of priest's time will normally be \$ 101.00 (inside the temple) and \$ 151.00 (outside of temple). Rates of Pujas/ wedding out of Greater Cincinnati area are as follows:

- a) Up to 50 miles - \$151.00, b) 50 - 80 miles - \$251.00
 c) 80 - 110 miles - \$351.00, d) More than 110 miles - \$501.00.
 e) Wedding - \$1,001.00

TEMPLE RENTAL - LOWER FLOOR ONLY

	Full day	Half day
Monday -Thursday (except holidays)	\$401.00	\$225.00
Friday, Saturday & Holidays	\$601.00	\$401.00
<u>Sunday after 3PM only</u>	not rented	\$401.00
Use of Audio system	\$50.00	\$50.00
Use of Projector	\$50.00	\$50.00
Use of Kitchen	\$201.00	\$101.00
Use of Kitchen w/paper products	\$251.00	\$151.00
Full Day: 8.00 am-11.00 pm		
Half Day: 8.00 am-2.00 pm or 4.00 pm - 11.00 pm		

TEMPLE RENTAL - YAGNASHALA ONLY

	Havan/General functions	Wedding/other functions
Monday – Friday	\$100.00	\$250.00
Saturday & Sunday		\$350.00

Note:

All Temple rentals require a \$ 200.00 security deposit. It will be forfeited if the basement hall, upstairs, bathrooms and the kitchen area are not cleaned by the party renting the space.

CONTACTS

To schedule Puja or To rent Lower Level or Yagnashala
Meena Sondhi 513-290-7541 Meena.sondhi@gmail.com

PUJA COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

[If you have any question or suggestion about temple activities contact **Senthil Karmegam** 304-610-2823, or any **EC Member** or the **Temple** at 513-528-3714]

- 1. Archana** performed during temple hours by sponsorship.
- 2. No Archana** on Sundays between 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
- 3. Outside Pujas** and other religious services will be conducted by appointment only.
- To **schedule any Puja** please contact Meena Sondhi at least one week in advance.
- Food and Prasad** : To bring to the temple please contact Puja Committee chairperson .
- Pujas performed outside** the temple will be rated according to the number of Pujas performed
- Puja Samagri-** for convenience of devotees, the temple can provide Puja Samagri for a donation of \$ 21.00 for any Puja, and \$ 31.00 for any puja including Havan/Homam
- Cancellations of Puja should be done 3 days in advance**, otherwise full fee for the Puja will be charged.

Priest Dakshina

The rates for Puja and Priest services **DO NOT** include Priest Dakshina. Sponsors (devotees) are encouraged to provide Priest Dakshina of their own volition and satisfaction. The dakshina goes directly to the Priest. A reimbursement of travel expenses for the Priest during outside puja is required at 0.50 cents/mile.



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