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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

I would like to thank IRCC for giving me the opportunity to serve another year as their president. The organization was founded in 1978 by a small but culturally passionate group of Indian immigrants. It was one of the first Indian organizations in South Florida whose sole purpose was to preserve and promote our rich Indian heritage and culture among families who had made America

their home. We have celebrated many festivals over the years which brought the community together and in doing so, kept the ancient traditions and culture alive.

The modern day IRCC organization, recognized as a formal non-profit organization, and registered with Internal Revenue Services 501c. Our main contribution towards the growing Indian community is instilling the next generation with rich Indian traditions and a strong appreciation for our heritage.

Each foundation and non-profit organization has a different set of opportunities by virtue of its history, size, geographic location, the character of its board and staff leadership, and other factors. I have always believed that our society is best served by having foundations that do different things. Organizations also evolve and change and I believe deeply in what we are doing at IRCC.

We continue to host family events throughout the year and have also broadened our horizons to have our youth participate and host many charitable events. Our team started Festival of Lights in 2011 on a higher level at the Broward Convention Center. We then introduced Bhangra, a new competition for High School students which evolved into all categories of competition.

In summary, from me to all our members, performers, parents, sponsors, and vendors I say THANK YOU. We appreciate all your hard work and we look forward to working with you in the coming year.



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Samridhi.

Saraswati

May the Divine light of Diwali spread into your Life peace, prosperity, happiness and good health.

From Our Family to Yours

Asha Gupta, President, IRCC





Our Dear Friends and Family of IRCC,

First and foremost, I would like to wish all the attendees Happy Diwali and prosperous New Year. I am delighted to welcome you all to Diwali, Festival of Lights once again. The tradition continues to grow with the support of this wonderful community. After all, this organization was built for and by its members and so I must begin by thanking all of you: parents, children, performers, vendors and the public for embracing this event and making it worthwhile. A special thanks also to our IRCC board members for the countless hours of preparation and planning that goes into organizing this illustrious celebration.

IRCC is one of the first Indian organizations in South Florida, which began with the simple idea to preserve and promote a rich Indian heritage. "Our greatest natural resource is in the minds of our children." What better way to preserve and promote our heritage than through our children.

This organization is special to me because it has allowed me to pass on our culture to my children and to all of the children in the community. We have been blessed to be in a country where many different cultures are appreciated, and are given a great opportunity to showcase our Indian pride, so let's continue to share it with our children so that they can carry on the legacy.

I would like to recognize all of the non- profit organizations and sponsors for their endless support, and of course the volunteers that take the time out to make all of this happen; thank you. We appreciate any comments and feedback so that we can continue to improve every year, I hope you enjoy this year's show!

May the spirit of light illuminate the world, Happy Diwali!

Dr. Durgesh Thaker

Co- Chair, Diwali Festival of Lights Committee



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On behalf of IRCC, I want to express my heartfelt thanks to all those who came to celebrate the IRCC grand "Diwali Festival of Lights 2016"! This is IRCC's sixth year of grand celebration, and we are going strong with tremendous support from the community, sponsors, vendors, advertisers, families, and children who enthusiastically participated in the cultural program. Competitive dance events by high school and college students added energy and further excitement to this whole cultural event. This year, over 800 participants performed on stage in different forms of dances. A special thanks to office of the Broward County Cultural Division, Broward County Clerkof Circuit & County Court and Broward Sheriff for being present and to all those who spread the word about this event.

We are proud to say that the Diwali Festival has been recognized very well in the U.S., and on August 23, 2016, U.S. Postal Service honored the Festival of Diwali with a Forever Stamp.

Since IRCC's first celebration of Diwali Festival of Lights in 2011, we have made significant progress in sponsorship, community participation and recognition in South Florida. IRCC's Diwali Festival adds an important flavor to the unique and rich cultural diversity of this region. For me, the event growing to this scale was beyond my imagination in 2011.

Last but not the least; I want to express my sincere thanks to my wife, Nidhi, and my sons, Prateek and Harshit, for their unconditional support, their wholehearted participation and theirbelief in my passion for IRCC. Thanks to them and the IRCC Board & Volunteers, I am able to pursue my interests and passions.

I wish you the very best of Diwali and a prosperous new year!

Sanjay Gupta, CPA
Co-Chair and Vice President



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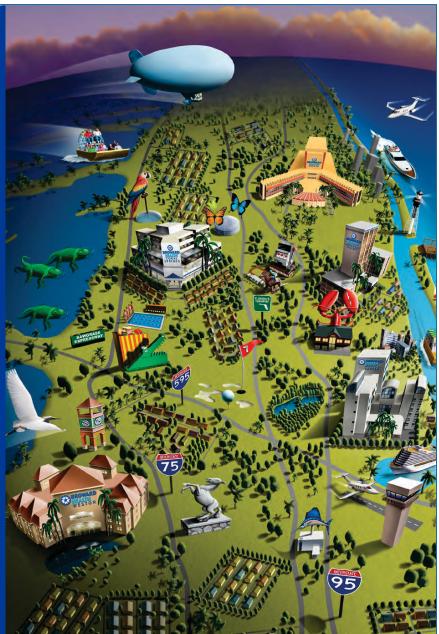
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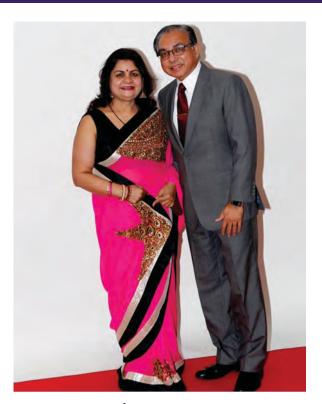


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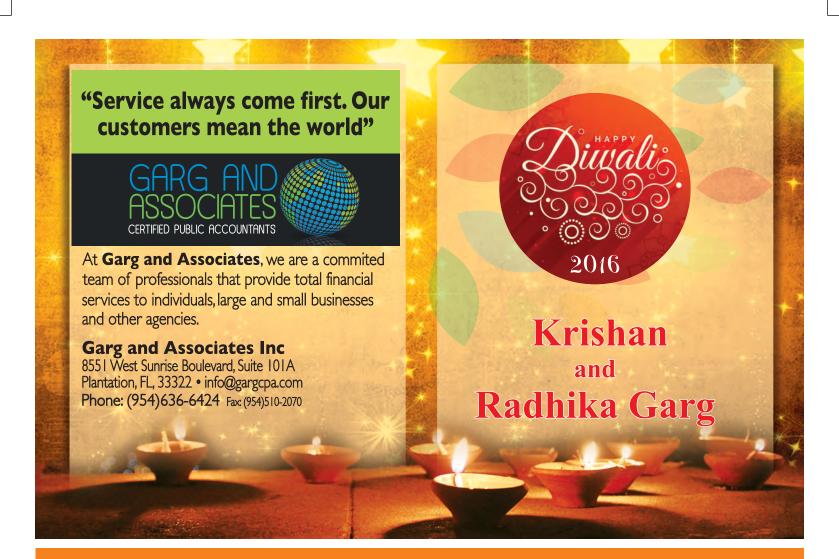
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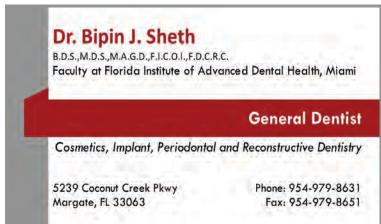


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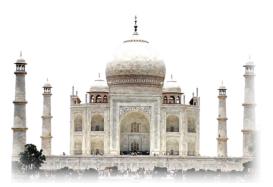
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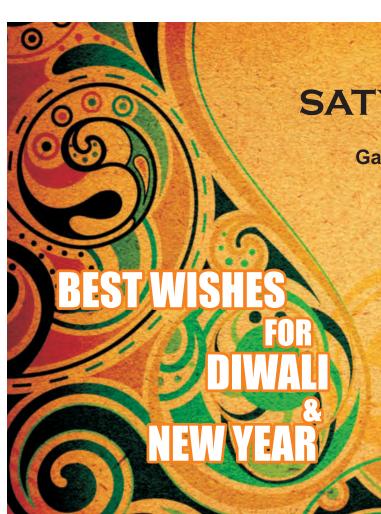
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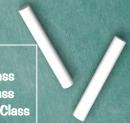
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Aniket Shukla, Rudraksh Modak, Yash Upadhyay, Mithil Khosa, Hailee Dabhi, Suhani Patel, Pranavi Mohan, and Aanya Sheth. Choreographed by-Dabjani Shukla.

7. "Dance Beez in Weston"

Soham Pattanayek, Saisha Pandita, Sayali Choudhari, Krish Thallur, Vaibav Baranidharan, Akshitha Thoppae, Khushi Shah, Yogitha Adusumilli, and Tanmay Vazirani. Choreographed by- LopamudraPattanayek

10. "Crazy Bollywood Gang"

Saniya Dhawan, Alisha Dhawan, Aanya Jain, Sania Khurana, Aaditya Patel, Ronak Patel, Eesha Shah, Rahul Wani, Raima Wani, and Ronin Khurana. Choreographed by-Moms.

12. "Marathi - Koli Dance"

ShreyaTelavane, Sanika Burkule, Ami Badiye, Aishwarya Deshpande, Roma Pansare, Nidhi Bharambe, and Shambhavi Joshi. Choreographed by-KavitaThombre.

2. "Ganesh Rocks"

Ranveer Patel, Shrey Shalia, Ansh Shalia, Priyanshi Patel, Maleha Marwah, Sophia Patil, Armaan Patil, Soham Phadatare, Mansha Pardasani, Ananya Zaverchand, and Aashini Ramesh. Choreographed by- Amishi Patel

5. "Team Beats"

Aarna Baranwal, Eshika Jain, Tanvi Bhide, Khushi Kadecha, Atulya Teja, Aaryaman Subramanian, Suraj Kaniyur, Akshay Kumar, and Abhijit Arza. Choreographed by-BhavnaBaranwal

8. "Dhishoom..!"

Ayan Anand, Neel Ganeriwala, Samkit Bothra, Vedaant Mutha, DhruvMutha, Menon Nihal, Yash Adusumilli, and Anik Bora. Choreographed by- Dipti Anand.

10 (A). "Jhankar of Lovely Ladies" (Adult Performers)

JayasreeMenon, Sonia Guha, Lavishaharpalani, Jhanvi Khatri, Ritika Vazirani, Shereena Tamburankandiyil, Lopamudra Pattanayek, Shailaja Mali, Rekha Sharma, Vidhya Deshik, and Mona Harpalani. Choreographed by- All the Participants.

13. "Bollywood Bratz"

Rahul Uttamchandani, Surina
Uttamchandani, Karishma Advani, Kareena
Advani, Riana Mahtani, Raja Mahtani,
Riya Solanky, and Aanya Solanky.

Choreographed byRowena Uttamchandani.

3. "Sparkling Kids"

Siya Gupta, Anika Mishra, Anushka Miharia, Deetya Pattani, Aisha Bhatt, Palash Jakhotia, Eva Damani, Ishita Damani, Adrika Hierholzer, Vidhya Gupta, and Kashish Mirpuri. Choreographed by- Anamika Gupta.

6. "Just Dance Kids"

Aayush Kalariya, Siri Mullapudi, Parth Bhalerao, Tanush Sharma, Hiral Sharma, Sanvi Rao, Sohan Tumblam, Ishaan Kachhal, and Aadish Kachhal. Choreographed by-Prema Bhalerao

9. "Dancing Divas"

Rishitha Marri, Sarika Jonnala, Vennela Chinta, Sunayana Javvaji, Varshaa Venkatesh, and Delena Chandrasekar. Choreographed by-Moms.

11. "Desi Boys"

ReyanshKalra, Adityalyer, Siddharth Iyer, Ishaan Garg, Nitin Kodumuru, and Srihaas Kantipudi. Choreographed by-Tina Arora.

14. "Dancing Queens"

Rishita Vijay, Kimaya Joshi, Aarushi Bavdekar, Anya Ahire, Avnithaashree Thoppae, and Mahatthi Premkumar. Choreographed by-Sumathy Vala.



15. "Badmaash Company"

Anya Modi, Anya Khosa,
Jasmine Sanghera, Protoma Dey,
Moureen Datta, and Sanvi Shankar.

Choreographed byAnchal Modi

17. "The Desi Twisters"

Nigama Kalangi, Kashvi Agarwal, Netram Agarwal, Tushara Varanasi, Neel Dhuruva, AshwathKolluri, Anjali Yalamanchi, Roshni Nair, Alexa Whitbourne, Harshita Karumuri, Poojita Karumuri, Aayush Gujarathi, and Tanmay Arora. Choreographed by- Pari Parimalarajan.

20. "Team Tiny Tots"

Meghna Kumar, Saanvi Epuri, Rithiha Senthil Kumar, Megha Ganesh, Zehaan Anand, Varun Khatri, Anish Daswani, and Anish Kumar. Choreographed by-Indumathy Senthilkumar.

22. "Nach Ke Dikha"

Shreya Joshi, Myra Gambhir, Aanya Yalamanchili, Ira Rao, Rohan Dayal, Sofia Montalvan, Om Doshi, Freya Thakar, and Tanisha Srivastava. Choreographed by-Vanitha Vasudevan.

25. "D Se Dance"

Nikash Jakkidi, Sharmitha Suram, Gia Kakani, Rithvik Marri, Shreeya Gudipati, Sriya Kolli, Shivank Joginipalli, and Srihith Joginipalli, Choreographed by-Papiya Kakani.

15 (A). "Belly Motions" (Adult Performers) Narayani Maharaj, Anamaria Zambrani, Rafael Zambrano, Aura Calvo, Angela Alvarado, Maria E Abrante, Olga Giraldo, Laura Batista, Tiffany Toro, Parvati Maharaj, Johana Garcia, Graci Andino, Natalia Ortelli, and Adriana Jaramillo. Choreographed by- NarayaniMaharaj

18. "Bollywood Bacha Party"

ManyaHanda, SaanviHanda, Aanya Chadha, SanjanaKalava, AnikaPolapally, and Rialyer. Choreographed by-All the Moms.

20 (A) "Three Divas" (Adult Performers)

Amishi Patel, Vyjayanthi Narendra,
Anita Madan, Anuja Gambhir,
Dipali Dave, Soruba Preethi Kuppuram,
Pinky Patel, and Vanitha Vasudevan.
Choreographed byVyjayanthi Narendra.

23. "Taare Zameen Par"

Rushika Nugula, Riya Reddy Bobbili, Inika Reddy Chemuru, Anvita Pinnity, VernicaPulukuri, and Sanjana Balla. Choreographed by-Sailaja Yellisetty.

25 (A). "Team Dancerholics" (Adult Performers)

Meena Ramanathan, Meeta Govindarajan, Akanksha Kumar, Shamala Kumar, Shanmugapriya Muthuraja, Meena Mani, Bhavna Baranwal, and Lavanya Karthik. Choreographed by-Meeta Govindarajan.

16. "Rajasthani Rockers"

Rashi Garg, Mahi Dadia, Kangana Modi, Riana Shah, Sania Shah, Advika Verma, Saanya Dham, and Pia Patel. Choreographed by-Nilam Modi.

19. "Swinging Darlings"

Shreya Anand, Maya Venkatesh, Shriya Narasimhan, Kavya Thiyagarajan, Reyna Kannan, and LikithaSelvan. Choreographed by-IniyaThiyagarajan.

21. "Basanti Rockers"

Shania Srivastav, Himani Joshi, Kaashvi Bothra, Diya Patel, Ishika Gadani, and Siya Saraswat. Choreographed by-Trupti Dave.

24. "AC/Desi Band"

Soryan Kumar, Arnav Kumar, Rajat Ramesh, Rohit Ramesh, Trishala Kumar, Rohan Kumar, and Saaketh Vedantam. Choreographed by-Akanksha Kumar and Soryan Kumar.

26. "Chak De India"

Prateek Gupta, Aakshi Singh Verma, Anay Bhaya, Parth Agarwal, Raunika Tandon, Ansh Shah, Ashni Zaverchand, Srijan Deoraj, Ruhi Mirpuri, and Priya Khatri. Choreographed by-Moms.

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27. "Bollywood Hangama"

Chaitanya Singh Verma, Harleen Gill, Simran Gill, Sonia Gidwani, Neel Mirpuri, Ishaan Mehan, and Elena Vega. Choreographed by-Moms.

30. "Glamour Girls"

Sameera Chugani, Simran Gidwani, Sanjana Karamchandani, Jai Rajpal, Ria Rajpal, and Anaya Shintre.

> Choreographed by-Moms.

32. "Dancing Divas of Weston"

Diya Jain,Yashica Nagpal,
Aanya Doshi, Diya Goel, Riya Goel,
Maya Neeranjun, RoshiniSalwani,
and Shivani Vakharia.
Choreographed byKirti Jain.

35. "Team Fire and Ice"

AnushaRao, Samyukta Radhakrishnan, Iniya Thiyagarajan, Nishka Jakkidi, Kayal Kumar, Nikita Subramaniam, Anushka Radhakrishnan, Abhirami Sriganeshan, and Nivedha Natarajan. Choreographed by- NandiniRao.

38. "Rangeela Rajasthan"

Aashka Patel, Riya Garg, Mirra Patel,
Dharani Mullapudi, Surat Khetpal,
Simar Khetpal, Vaibhav Joshi,
Rohan Wani, Rishi Patel, Uma Sakpal,
KrishPatel, and Deven Mistry.
Choreographed byRadhika Agarwal.

41. "Stage Rockers"

Mansee Mehta, Surina Gadh,
Suriya Gadh, Mahek Gadh, Krisha Sanghavi,
Vedha Dave, Vinti Dave, Riya Conchum,
Mahati Konda, Salini Patnayek,
Simran Grover, Kirthana Chandrasekarna,
and Venisha Patel.
Choreographed by- Sonal Mehta.

28. "Jhaankar Feets Bollyteens"

Shrika Kantipudi, Amrita Bonthu, Hemani Koppolu, Hansini Koppolu, Yashika Garimella, Shraavani Bekkary, Anjali Balla, and Ashritha Kallem. Choreographed by-Saritha Bollineni.

30 (A). "Dil Se Dance" (Adult Performers) Rima Arora, Parimala Rajan, Parita Patel, Rupal Talati, Sonali Ravindra Kumar, Uttma Dham, Nisha Nambiar, Vineela

Devarashetty, Nandina Samanta, Dhiya Bommakanti, Prema Bhaleoro, Sakshi Arya, Mona Kalariya, and Kiran Yalamanchi. Choreographed by- All the Participants.

33. "Pines Sizzlers"

Sharieli Sharan, Sanjana Chittlur, Ananya Agarwal, Navya Duggaraju, Gauri Manjunath, and Priya Bangani. Choreographed by-RajaniSharan.

36. "Glam Gal's"

Selina Srivastav, Saachi Modi, Prapti Dabhi, Arni Das, Joyita Golam, and Vishrutha Sampath Anandi. Choreographed by-Sanjana Srivastav.

39. "Dance Rhythms"

MeenakshiNambiar, Sonali Vijay, Aayushi Ranjan, Veda Madem, Tarini Padamanabhan, Krishna Patel, and Avanti Sinha. Choreographed by-BhairaviPandya.

42. "Desi Girls Dhamaka"

Nekita Regula, Anika Mellacheruvu, Esha Jain, Rasika Sriram, Reva Adi, and Ananya Mellacheruvu. Choreographed by-Niraja Regula.

29. "Dancing Warriors"

Akhil Deo, Akash Deo, Aman Singh, Anjan Joshi, AdarshJohar, Nikhil Kamath, Vraj Patel, Sahil Taank, Aarohi Talati, Anika Dham, Shreya Dutta, Khyati Pandya, Swati Raolji, Rajvi Shah, and Keya Chokshi. Choreographed by- SharmishthaDutta.

31. "The Real Punjables"

Aditi Sarkar, Puspa Majumdar, Ritika Samanta, Akanksha Shukla, SayleeNemade, and Briya Patel. Choreographed by-Sheli Chakraborty.

34. "Fun and Masti"

Vasisht Ganesh, Swati Kumar, Amrit Murali,
Nithin Subramaniam, Vishnu Anand,
Priyanka Venkat, Sachitaa Senthilkumar,
Sahanalyer, DiaJayram,
andIshaan Sunith.
Choreographed byJaishri Venkat.

37. "Team Full Out"

Sandhya Kumar, Anamika Subramanian, Niveda Kumar, Anisha Jain, Vrinda Gupta, Yash Saxena, Ashish Sathya, Ahil Mahendra, Ashwas Rao, Amogh Baranwal, Dhruv Nair, and Shravya Sareddy. Choreographed by- Meera Ramanathan.

40. "Nachde Dil Se"

Parthvi Shah, Sanam Patel, Isha Patel, Riya Dusara, Neha Dusara, Gracy Shah, ArnavJohar, Arjun Talati, Arya Gujarathi, ShaanMistry, Hari Patel, Kaiden Rowe, IshaAddaganti, and Vishakha Joshi. Choreographed by-Rima Arora.

43. "The Desi Boys"

Amar Dangodara, Nico Gohill, MatiasGohill, Raj Jain, Aryan Shah, and Shail Khakhria. Choreographed by-Lavanya Krishan.

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High School Bhangra Teams:

MADE IN PUNJABI:

Simran Dulay, Jasmine Dulay, Srishti Chopra, Preeti Kandola, Kavya Sarin, Riya Daftary, Meghna Sharma, Rhea Kumar & Roshni Singh. Choreographer: Monica Vaswani

APNI SHAAN APNI PECHAAN:

Neeti Bhutada, Jessica Jesurajan,
Maya Gowda, Anshruta Dhanashekar, Rushi Vekariya,
Anburaja Muthalagappan, Durgashis Biswal, Jai
Yarlagadda, SnehPatel, Zeesha Hyder, Dev Patel, Ria
Sanghani , Nikhila Medikondai, Swetha Senthil,
Arth Shah, Aryan Patidar, Ambika Rautray, Meera Pattni,
Parthik Patel, Fahad Syed, Gopa Rautray
Choreographer: Parthik Patel, Fahad Syed,
AmbikaRautray, MeeraPattni

MIAMI BHANGRA TEAM:

Nabeel Markatia, Namrata Palsule, Saanvi Paharia, Sachet Paharia, Shivangi Srivastava, Aditya Bafna, Anjali Shah, Hemal Dusara, Jaimin Khakhria, Shiv Chokshi, Karishma Dangodara, Rhea Jain, Tulsi Patel, Sumeet Gulati, Adeel Markatia. Choreographer: NabeelMarkatia, Namrata Palsule.

GABLES BHANGRA:

Bhargayi Pochi, Guneet Moihdeen, Melanie Wu, Olivia Pelaez, Isabella d'ottone, Tania Nieto, Karina Wu, Elisama Ramos, Axel Rodriguez, Andrea Rodriguez. Choreographer: BhargaviPochi

High School Fusion Teams



KHALAAS:

Pranati Shah, Tanvi Bafna, Shruti Chandra, Hijaan Mitha , Nikhita Noorkaia ,Deepika Jhaveri, Anjali Kamath, Arushi Seth, Paridhi Kapadia, Princess lavan. Choreographer: Tanvi Bafna

DYNAMITE MULGIS:

Nikita Ranaut, Mallika Baweja, Serina Chugani , SarrahGhadiali, Ashna Porbanderwala, Navya Mehta, Sabeena Singh, Madhuri Lalwani, Mesha Singh, Sanam Sharma, Eshika Sahay. Choreographer: KahiniChandriani.

RHYTHM FOR A CAUSE:

Kiran Rajkumar, RuhiMansey, Hershey Rajpal , Radha Seemongal, Janet Davis, IshaGoel, Sachi Jariwala, Sneh Joseph, RiyaBabu, Christina Kallidukil, Mallika Jain, Rohit Warrier, Abhitya Krishnraaj, Sruthi Joseph, Sonaly Cherry, Angelin Benny, Elisha Peter, Miraa Shukla, Alisha Patel. Choreographer: Ruhi Mansey & Kiran Rajkumar

DOUGLAS DHAMAKA:

Hannah Kapoor, Pinaki Upadhyay, Kosha Patel, Rishita Malakapalli, Ariana Ali, Sindhu Kolla , Anisha Saripalli, Sadhika Sarathy, Nisha Ahuja, Ritika Kothur. Choreographer: Minal Upadhyay & Group.

DWALI DHAMAKA

INTERCOLLEGIATE BHANGRA, GARBA / RAAS AND FUSION COMPETITION

Team Name: Gato Raas Category: Garba / Raas Choreographer: Dishil Patel

Dishil Patel, Aksha Patel, VikramNandyala, AmolPatdia, Ravi Patel, Stephon Jamison, Bijal Patel, Komal Patel, Bindiya Desai, Krupa Patel, Mouli Joshi, Ami Patel, Kavitha Komatineni, AshanaKadam, Shreya Shivan, Neel Trivedi



Team Name: NSU Maasti
Category: Fusion
Choreographer: AbhayaMaturu

Geethu James, Shona Joseph, AbhyaMaturu, Angela Thomas, ChelseyThachettu, Kristi Njaccevelil, Esha Parikh, Seenu Chacko, Leon Peter, Melody Mathew, VineelaNagamalla, Abigail George, Shreja Patel, Mrunal Shah, Teenu George,

Neal Patel, Kishan Shah, Jeevana Paranati, Hanna Punnoose Team Name: U Jhoom
Category: Fuson
Choreographer: Veena Karanam

Veena Karanam, Riva Trivedi, Nalini Rao, Zahra Markatia, Nishma Jain, Nisha Sharma, Annika Patel, Smitha Vasan, Divya Chopra, Rhea Manohar, Rhea Reddy, Haily Mody, Jasmin Dhruv, Erika Vasant, Akshata Gunda, Mukta Vibhute, Pooja Patel, Serena Shah, Shreeya Mishra

Team Name : USF Naach
Category : Fusion
Choreographer :
Simran Jaswani, Nupur Godbole

Simran Jaswani, Angeline Polepaka, Anisha Paulson, Deepthi Vargese Lanae Joseph, Manushi Shah, Misha Patel, Megha Patel, Sadhana Gadham Shailesh Mane, Sheryl Varughese, Trisha, Kranthi Reddy, Isaac Hawkins Chantel Knight (Supporting Member) Hurricane Bhangra
Category: Bhangra
Choreographer:
Trusha Desai, Ayesha Kar,
Simarjeet Puri, Karanvir Dhother

Trusha Desai, Nirmal Maxwell, Ayesha Kar, Simarjeet Puri, Karanvir Dhother, Meghana Chapalamadugu, Brandon Parks, Elise Herschlag, Vijay Senthilkumar, Sabrina Anand, Sandeep Dhingra, Neha Rajan, Rose Gupta, ShrutiKarnani, Neeraj Suresh, Shyamal Raolji, Ankit Shah, Roshni Singh, Mustafa Azeem, Jaspaul Chinna

Team Member : Gator Bhangra Category : Bhangra Choreographer : Sahil Ghay

Sahil Ghay, Bhuvna Mahajan, Anuj Desai, Christina Shoji, Pinal Patel Nishat Manzur, Nithin Sankar, Brianna Patel, Shreyas Honrao, Sabrina Gill, Ikramamul

(Supporting Member)
Nibir, Muvva Vangapalli, Niki Ghade,
Angad Gill, Neha Sharma,
Kishori Patel

Team Member :
Knights Kangna
Category : Fusion
Choreographer : Rhea Philip

Rhea Philip, Sruthy Babu,
Rozina Sheikh, Tara Ahmed,
Benitta Abraham, Kelly Sequeira,
Supraja Vinjamur, Preethi Atluri,
Dhivyankka Ramaji, Seana Jahan La Coa
Meesha Naveen, Blesson Thomas

Team Member:
Swaggeraas
Category: Raas / Garba
Choreographer:
Shivani Hanchate, Richa Panara

Shivani Hanchate, Richa Panara, Yash Soni, John Espinoza, Shreya Chidarala, Sonali Patel, Neemi Patel, Shikha Patel, Janeli Cabrera, Pooja Patel, Param Desai, Akina Nana, Megan Mathew, Siri Charagudi, Nimesh Nagururu, Rishubh Shah



Team Name: Gator Garba Category: Raas / Garba Choreographer: Anisha Patel, Riya Shah

Riya Shah, Simran Vyas, Pooja Chandrasekhar, Madiha Ali, Neeshi Patel, Ruchi Patel, Christelle Josma, Mona Patel, Dhara Patel, Pal Patel, Anisha Patel, Nadia Bhagudas

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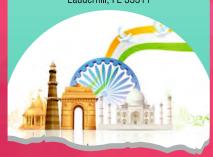
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Bowling Party & Rakshabandhan Celebration

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FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

Republic Day

26th January 1950 is one of the most important days in Indian history as it was on this day the constitution of India came into force and India became a truly sovereign state. In this day India became a totally republican unit. The country finally realized the dream of Mahatma Gandhi and the numerous freedom fighters who, fought for and sacrificed their lives for the Independence of their country. So, the 26th of January was decreed a national holiday and has been recognized and celebrated as the Republic Day of India, ever since.

Today, the Republic Day is celebrated with much enthusiasm all over the country and especially in the capital, New Delhi where the celebrations start with the Presidential to the nation. The beginning of the occasion is always a solemn reminder of the sacrifice of the martyrs who died for the country in the freedom movement and the succeeding wars for the defense of sovereignty of their country. Then, the President comes forward to award the medals of bravery to the people from the armed forces for their exceptional courage in the field and also the civilians, who have distinguished themselves by their different acts of valour in different situations.

Lohri

Kite Flying

ite flying is a festival of India that comes on January 14 every year festival or kite festival in many parts of India. Gujrat and Jaipur in Rajasthan is famous for their kite festivals. Jaipur organizes international kite festival every year. Makar Sankranti is a popular word in Rajasthan where as Utran (derived from Uttarayan in Sanskrit language) is in Gujrat. Basant Panchami is also popular for kite festival in some places of India. Kolkata celebrates kite festival on Vishwakarma Puja but not on Makar Sankranti.

Kite is called Patang in Hindi language. Hence the festival is also referred as Patang utsav in India. Patang is also called Guddi in many places in northern India. Special type of thread is used to fly kites and that is called Manjha.

he origin of the Lohri can be traced back to the tale of Dulla Bhatti. By the end of the first week of January, small groups of boys ring the doorbell of houses and start chanting the Lohri songs related to Dulla Bhatti. In turn, the people give them popcorn, peanuts, crystal sugar, sesame seeds (til) or gur as well as money. Turning them back empty-handed is regarded inauspicious.

Lohri marks the end of winter on the last day of Paush, and beginning of Magha (around January 12 and 13), when the sun changes its course. It is associated with the worship of the sun and fire and is observed by all communities with different names, as Lohri is an exclusively Punjabi festival. The questions like When it began and why is lost in the mists of antiquity.



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The days of celebration and the rituals.

The festival of Holi begins on Duwadashi - on the twelfth day of the waxing moon of the month of Phalgun. Spirits run high as the preparations for the festivities begin, as a custom, mothers make new clothes for their married daughters. Coloured powder (Gulal) is bought and prepared, long syringes called 'pichkaris' are made ready and water balloons are bought and filled. Preparations are made to cook the special food items that exclusively meant for this festival.

Three days before the full moon, 'Rang Pashi' brings Holi into all households. The families get together in the evenings when people visit each other to perform the formal sprinkling of colour. In the past 'the household purohit' or priest was invited to begin the celebrations, but this task has been taken over by the eldest male member of the family. A 'thali' or plate is arranged with coloured powders and coloured water is placed in a small brass container called a 'lota'. The eldest male member of the family begins the festivities by sprinkling coloured water and powders on each member of the assembled family. It is then the turn of the younger ones to do the same. In this unique way, affection and blessings are shared by all in the family. The celebrations on this day end with the partaking of food specially cooked for this occasion -

like kofta curry is also served. It is customary to serve drinks before the meal.

The next day is known as 'Puno'. On this day, Holika is burnt in keeping with the legend of Prahlad and his devotion to lord Vishnu. In the evening, huge bonfires are lit on street corners at the crossroads. Usually this is a community celebration and people gather near the fire to fill the air with folk strains and dances. Sheaves of green gram and wheat are roasted in the bonfire and eaten.

The actual festival of Holi takes place the day after this. This day is called 'Parva'. Children, friends and neighbours gather on the streets and a riot of colour takes over. Coloured powders called 'abeer' or 'gulal' are thrown into the air and smeared on faces and bodies. 'Pichkaris' are filled with coloured water and this is spurted onto people. Water balloons are thrown at friends and neighbours in the spirit of fun. Sometimes, mud baths are prepared and people are 'dunked' into this amidst much laughter and teasing. The visitors carry 'abeer' or 'gulal' to pay their respects to elders by sprinkling some on their feet. The younger crowd is drenched with buckets of coloured water and pummeled with water balloons. 'Dholaks' or Indian drums are heard everywhere and the songs of Holi are carried by the voices of these merry-makers.





aksha Bandhan is the festival of family bonding Raksha Bandhan means "a bond of protection" symbolized by the typing of a "Rakhi" The festival of Raksha Bandhan is entirely dedicated to the love and affection shared between a brother and a sister. On this day, sisters pray for the long life of their brothers and ask God for His blessings. Brothers, in turn, give them enticing rakhi gifts and promise to care for their sister throughout their lives. Come with family and friends and teach the next generation about this very important Indian festival.



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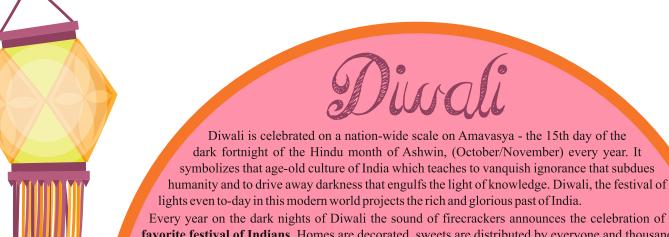
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'Nav' means 'nine' and 'ratri' means 'night'. Thus, 'Navratri' means 'nine nights'. There are many legends attached to the conception of Navratri like all Indian festivals. All of them are related to Goddess Shakti (Hindu Mother Goddess) and her various forms. It is one of the most celebrated festivals of Hindu calendar, it holds special significance for Gujratis and TICKET \$10 Bengalis and one can see it in the zeal and fervor of the people with which they indulge in the festive activities of the **PER DAY** season. Dandiya and Garba Rass are the highlights of the (IRCC MEMBER) festival in Gujarat, while farmer sow seeds and thank the Goddess for her blessings and pray for better yield. In older times, Navratri was associated with the fertility of Mother TICKET \$15 Earth who feed us as her children. (IRCC-NON MEMBER)

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Every year on the dark nights of Diwali the sound of firecrackers announces the celebration of the favorite festival of Indians. Homes are decorated, sweets are distributed by everyone and thousands of lamps are lit to create a world of fantasy. Of all the festivals celebrated in India, Diwali is by far the most glamorous and important. Enthusiastically enjoyed by people of every religion, its magical and radiant touch creates an atmosphere of joy and festivity.

The ancient story of how Diwali evolved into such a widely celebrated festival is different in various regions and states of India. In the north, particularly in Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Haryana, Bihar and the surrounding areas, Diwali is the day when King Rama's coronation was celebrated in Ayodhya after his epic war with Ravana, the demon king of Lanka. By order of the royal families of Ayodhya and Mithila, the kingdom of which Sita was princess, the cities and far-flung boundaries of these kingdoms were lit up with rows of lamps, glittering on dark nights to welcome home the divine king Rama and his queen Sita after 14 years of exile, ending with an acrossthe-seas war in which the whole of the kingdom of Lanka was destroyed.

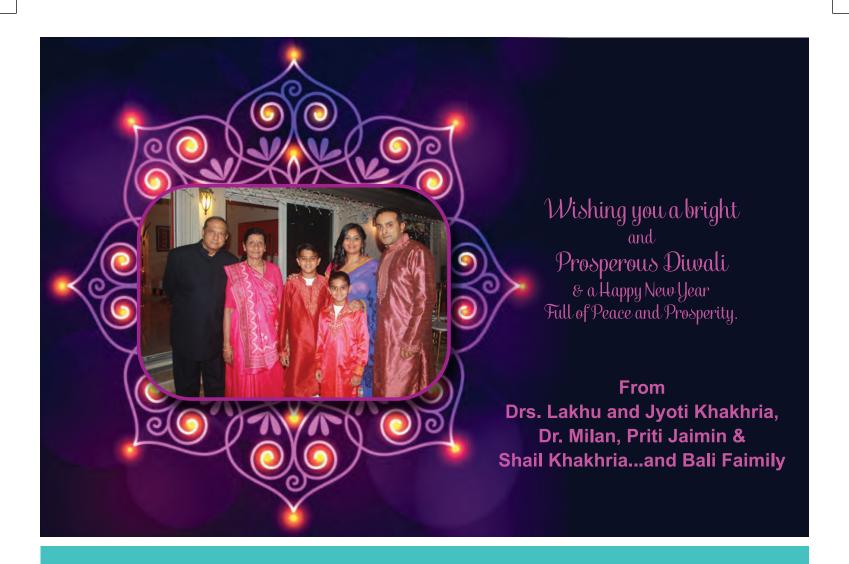
On the day of Diwali festival, doorways are hung with torans of mango leaves and marigolds. Rangolis are drawn with different colored powders to welcome guests. The traditional motifs are often linked with auspicious symbols of good luck. Oil diyas are arranged in and around the house. Because of these flickering lamps, the festival has acquired its name: Dipawali or Diwali meaning 'a rows of lamps'. On this day, people buy something for the house or some jewelry for the women of the house. It is auspicious to be buy something metallic, such as silver.

Whatever may be the fables and legends behind the celebrations of Diwali, all people exchange sweets, wear new clothes and buy jewelry at this festive time. Card parties are held in many homes. Diwali has become commercialized as the biggest annual consumer spree because every family shops for sweets, gifts and fireworks. However, in all this frenzy of shopping and eating, the steady, burning lamp is a constant symbol of an illuminated mind.



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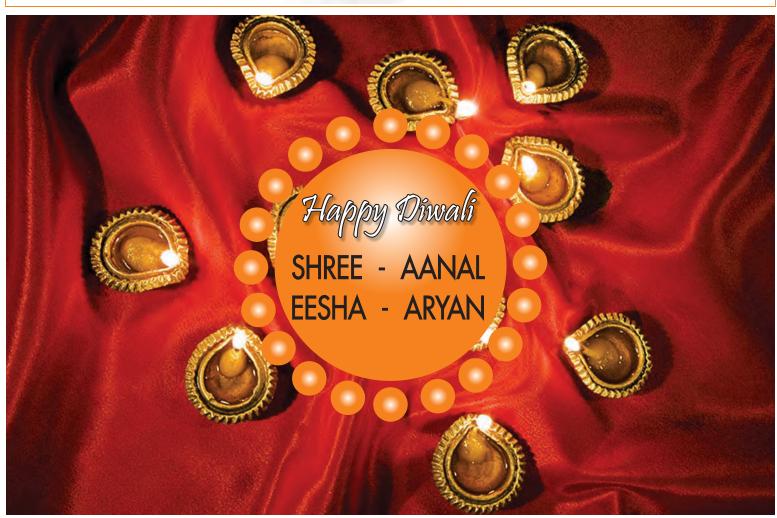
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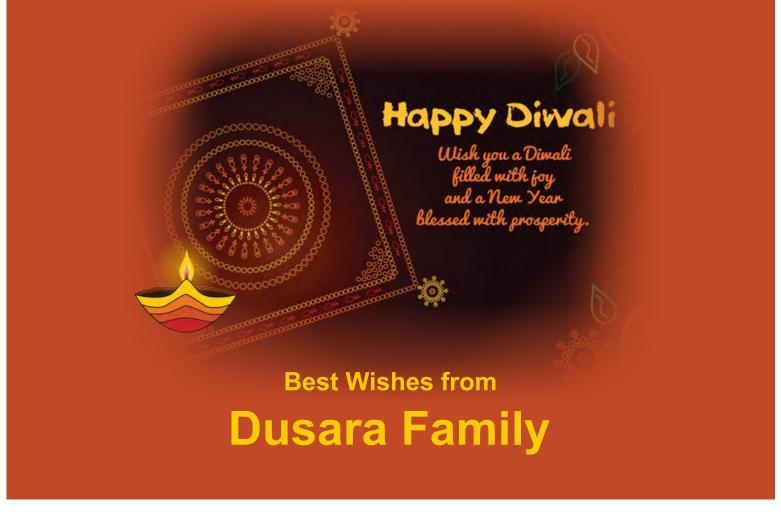


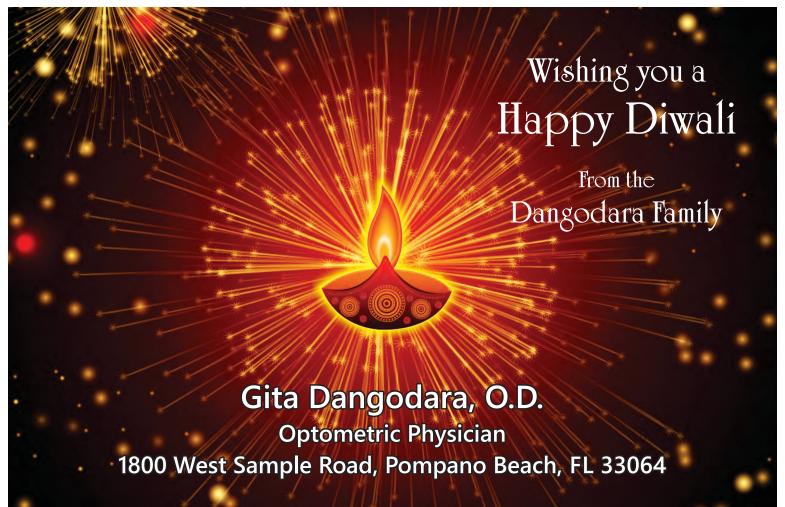
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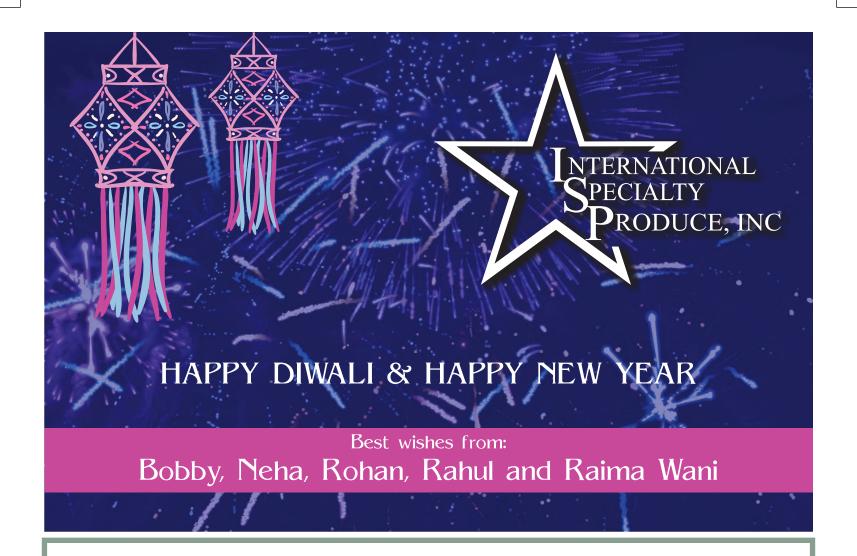
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