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Landmark Center

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Ethnic and cultural
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Public and private
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January 4, 2005

Dilip Mallick
2701 Brunswick Ave N #209
Crystal, MN 55422

Dear Dilip,

Thank you for choosing Landmark Center!

Enclosed is the contract for your event. There are two copies of the Rules and Regulations, one of which must be signed and returned with the contract.

We have enclosed a list of caterers for which we have the required license and insurance information. If you have chosen a different caterer, they must send a copy of their catering license & insurance to the office before the date of your event. If they do not have a catering license, we cannot allow them to serve food in Landmark Center. Please note that there is a difference between restaurant licenses and catering licenses.

As you plan your event we would like to remind you of our decorating and setup restrictions. We have deemed it necessary to charge additional fees for things done in the building that cause damage to the rooms or require additional janitorial/set up staff. Please read and sign one copy of the enclosed form, we have included a copy for your records.

Our parking and direction map is enclosed. Please feel free to copy it as needed.

If you have any questions, please call Betsy Lanegran at (651)292-3228 or Pam Sicard at (651)292-4376.

Thank you very much.

Pam Sicard
Director of Event Services

Betsy Lanegran
Rental Events Manager

Fax # 651 292 3272

LANDMARK CENTER

RENTAL AGREEMENT

RENTAL ORGANIZATION: *India Association of Minnesota*

INDIVIDUAL: *Dilip Mallick*

PHONE (day): *763-546-9393*

(evening):

BILLING ADDRESS: *2701 Brunswick Ave N #209
Crystal, MN 55422*

Thank you for choosing Landmark Center as the site for your upcoming event. Please review the following details:

TYPE OF FUNCTION: *Festival of India*

OF PEOPLE: *1000++*

DATE(S): *Sunday, October 2, 2005*

TIME: *12:00 - 5:00pm*

LOCATION: *Cortile, #326 & #317*

LANDMARK CENTER TO PROVIDE: *Set up and clean up of tables, chairs and staging as done in 2004.*

CATERING INFORMATION: *Self Catered*

LANDMARK LIQUOR SERVICE: *NA*

LANDMARK CENTER CHARGES: *\$500.00*

TOTAL ESTIMATED RENTAL: *\$500.00*

PAYMENT SCHEDULE: *\$500.00 due with signed contract by February 4, 2005.*

Please return the Agreement (retaining the yellow copy for your file) along with your payment by the date stated above to:

MINNESOTA LANDMARKS
404 LANDMARK CENTER
75 WEST 5TH STREET
ST PAUL MN 55102

The Renting Organization/Individual understands and agrees that this Agreement is made subject to all Rules and Regulations of Landmark Center (Copy of Rules and Regulations attached) and will conform to said Rules and Regulations and be bound thereby. Minnesota Landmarks reserves the right to cancel any event. Following the event, a billing will be sent if Landmark Liquor Service was utilized or if there are extra charges for additional guards, janitors, supplies, equipment, or if any damage was incurred. Questions regarding this contract should be directed to (651)292-3228.

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Renting Organization/Individual _____ Date _____

Minnesota Landmarks *[Signature]* Betsy Lanegran _____ Date January 4, 2005



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Dilip K. Mallick
Client

Oct 2nd, 2008
Event Date

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May 6, 2003

India Association
Benkim Desai
1526 Pinewood Dr
Shoreview, MN 55126

Dear Ben,

Thank you for choosing Landmark Center!

Enclosed is the contract for your event. There are two copies of the Rules and Regulations, one of which must be signed and returned with the contract.

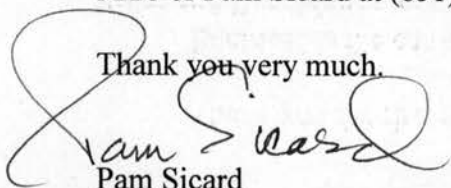
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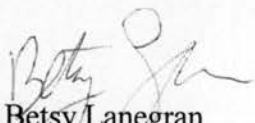
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INDIVIDUAL: *Benkim Desai*

PHONE (day): *481-6860 x340*

(evening): *784-8916*

BILLING ADDRESS: *1526 Pinewood Dr*
Shoreview, MN 55126

Thank you for choosing Landmark Center as the site for your upcoming event. Please review the following details:

TYPE OF FUNCTION: *Festival of India*

OF PEOPLE: *1000+*

DATE(S): *Sunday, October 5, 2003*

TIME: *12:00 - 6:00pm*

LOCATION: *Cortile and Courtrooms*

LANDMARK CENTER TO PROVIDE: *Set up and clean up of tables, chairs and staging.*

CATERING INFORMATION: *Self Catered*

LANDMARK LIQUOR SERVICE: *NA*

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PAYMENT SCHEDULE: *Signed contract due by June 6, 2003. Rental due by September 5, 2003*

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Minnesota Landmarks *Betsy Lanegran* Betsy Lanegran Date May 6, 2003



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Apples and Associates

Atrium Catering

Babette's Catering

Campion Catering

Catering by Joyce

Chutney's

Classic Catering

D'Amico Catering

Design Cuisine

Francesca's

Kane's Catering

K & J Catering

Kraemer's Catering

Lake Elmo Inn

Lancer Catering

Marquette Catering

Joseph Catering

Perfect Host Catering

Professional Catering Service

Prom Catering

Regency Caterers by Hyatt

Rice Park Caterers

Special Events Catering

Suzanne's Cuisine

Taste of Scandinavia - The Deco Catering

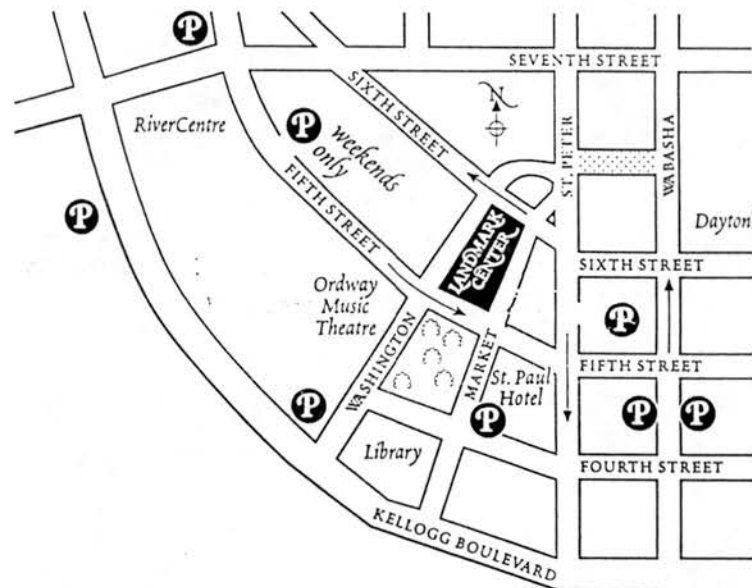
Town and Country

Trotter's Cafe

DIRECTIONS TO THE LANDMARK CENTER IN DOWNTOWN ST. PAUL

From the NORTH

Exit southbound I-35E at Wacouta Street. Go four blocks to Sixth Street. Turn right and go eight blocks on Sixth to Market Street. Landmark Center is on your left.



From the WEST
Exit eastbound I-94 at Fifth Street, go straight across Seventh Street and continue on Fifth one long block to Washington St. Landmark Center is on your left.

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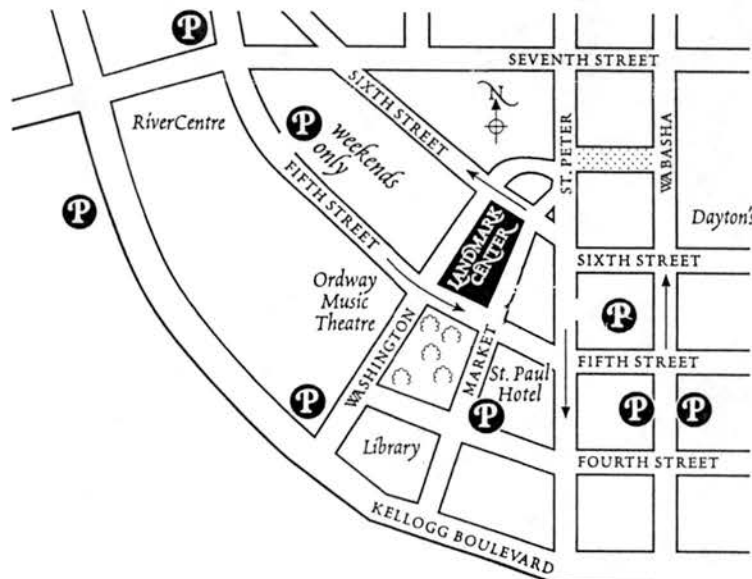
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RULES AND REGULATIONS COVERING USE OF SPACE WITHIN LANDMARK CENTER

The rules and regulations set forth on this page are hereby incorporated as part of the Rental Agreement. All rates are subject to change without notice. Contact Landmark Center Events Office for current rates.

I. REGULATIONS COVERING THE USE OF LANDMARK CENTER

A. **COUNTY, CITY, STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS.** The Renting Organization/Individual in conducting any performance or public or private meeting or in giving any lecture, concert, or other event shall conform to, comply with and abide by all laws of the United States and the State of Minnesota, the rules and regulations of all Federal and State Boards and Bureaus, the ordinances of Ramsey County, the City of St. Paul, and the regulations of the Fire Departments, Board of Health, and Police Departments.

B. **CHARGES.**

I. **BASIC RENTAL CHARGES.** The basic rental charge shall include use of Landmark Center facilities as specified in the Rental Agreement - heated, cooled, lighted, cleaned and a building security guard. When Auditorium is used, the rental fee includes a technician.

II. **ADDITIONAL CHARGES.** Any equipment and/or services provided beyond the list of items above shall be charged to the Renting Organization/Individual at the rates quoted by the Events Office at the time these requests are made. These charges are in addition to the rental fee listed on the Rental Agreement. Such equipment and/or services may include the following:

a. **Additional Security Personnel.** Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. reserves the right to require additional Security personnel for any event. The Events Office will determine the amount of additional security required, and all fees are to be paid by the Renting Organization/Individual.

b. **Audio/Visual Equipment.** If your event requires audio/visual equipment, you will be assessed the charges for the rental of the equipment.

c. **Additional Wages.** If your event requires Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. building personnel to execute set up changes during your event, to set up renter provided furniture, or make changes to the completed set up before your event, you will be assessed an hourly fee for services of building personnel.

C. **PAYMENT.** The Renting Organization/Individual agrees that all charges will be paid to Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. as agreed upon in the Rental Agreement. Charges billed upon completion of the event are payable within 30 days of date of invoice.

D. **LIQUOR POLICY.** Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. is the sole license holder for Landmark Center. All alcohol-related products and services are required to be provided by Landmark Center Beverage Service. There will be a fee assessed for this service. Management reserves the right to refuse service to guests who are or seem to be intoxicated.

E. **CATERING.** Any catering in Landmark Center must be provided by an Organization/Individual approved by the Events Office at Landmark Center. All caterers will abide by a special set of housekeeping rules and regulations. Caterers are assessed a fee for catering in Landmark Center. Renters can expect to have that fee incorporated in their bid. Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. reserves the right to refuse catering privileges to a caterer who fails to abide by Landmark Center guidelines. No food or drink may be served in or around the Auditorium or support areas except by special permission from Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. Pretzels and Popcorn are not allowed.

F. **DECORATIONS.** All decorations must be approved two weeks in advance of any function. Landmark Center prohibits the following items for decorating uses:

1. Tape, nails, tacks, screws, or any other adhesive, or means of attachment.
2. Confetti and/or glitter. This includes table decorations and confetti "cannons"
3. No items of any kind, including strings of electrical lights, can be placed in indoor trees.
4. Balloons cannot be weighted down with sand, kitty litter, dirt, gravel, etc.

Four hours of set up time is allowed for Renting Organization/Individual to decorate. If additional time is required there will be an hourly charge. All decorations must be put up without defacing the building. No ladders will be provided by Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. to Renting Organization/Individual. Decorations must meet fire code regulations. Candles must be glass enclosed. Candles are not allowed on balcony ledges. No electrical circuits may be altered. Nothing may be installed or attached to the Auditorium stage, or any floor surface without written permission from the Events Office.

G. **DAMAGE.** Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. reserves the right to require a damage deposit for the use of space in Landmark Center. If damages are incurred, the Renting Organization/Individual agrees to fully reimburse Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. upon demand. This includes any and all damages to, including the loss of, the building, furniture, equipment, fixtures, grounds, or any other property, real or personal, owned, used or operated by Minnesota Landmarks, Inc., due to any act or omission of the members, representatives, employees, patrons, invitees or guests of the Renting Organization/Individual. If a damage deposit is required, it will be requested at the time of booking. If no damages are incurred, the deposit will be refunded within 30 days of the event.

H. **INDEMNIFICATION, HOLD HARMLESS AND DEFENSE.** The Renting Organization/Individual agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. and Ramsey County, their representatives, agents, employees, successors and assigns, from and against any and all actions or causes of actions, claims, demands, liabilities, loss, damage, and/or expense of whatever kind and nature (including attorneys' fees) which Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. or Ramsey County may sustain or incur, arising out of any acts or omissions on the part of the Renting Organization/Individual, or its representatives, agents, employees or guests in relation to the Renting Organization/Individual use of the Landmark Center under the terms of the Rental Agreement, except any claims, damages, actions, causes of action and liability arising out of or connected with the sale of alcoholic beverages on said premises.

I. **WAIVER OF SUBROGATION.** The Renting Organization/Individual waives any right of subrogation against Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. and Ramsey County to the extent of the insurance coverage carried by said Renting Organization/Individual.

J. Short term renters and tenants may not subcontract any space in Landmark Center.

K. Minnesota Landmarks reserves the right to cancel any event.

L. Event times cannot be changed until approved by the Events Office.

II. ADDITIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

- A. **CONCESSIONS.** The Renting Organization/Individual shall not sell, serve or allow cigarettes, cigars, beverages, liquor, food, gum and refreshments of any kind to be sold, brought into or served upon the premises except as permitted by Minnesota Landmarks. All concessions must be approved in writing by Minnesota Landmarks.
- B. **CONDUCT.** The Renting Organization/Individual is responsible for the conduct of its guests, representatives, casts and workers while in Landmark Center.
- C. **PHOTOGRAPHY.** No photographs may be taken during a paid admission event at any time. They may be taken before or after a performance. In the case of some lectures and group meetings, press pictures may be taken during the event if the participants have agreed and prior arrangements have been made.
- D. **BROADCASTS.** All broadcasts, telecasts, tape recorders, films, etc., in Landmark Center shall have prior written consent from the participants and Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. A duplicate of the original of such executed consent shall be given to Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. prior to the event. If consent is given, the Renting Organization/Individual shall furnish and install all equipment necessary for the broadcast and for the control booth other than that furnished by Minnesota Landmarks, Inc.
- E. Landmark Center operating personnel shall be determined by the Executive Director of Minnesota Landmarks.
- F. **SPECIAL SET UPS.** Special set up shall be done at the Renting Organization's/Individual's expense, under the supervision of and subject to the approval of Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. and shall be furnished and paid for by the Renting Organization/Individual.
- G. **PIANO.** A Piano owned by Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. may be provided for use in the Cortile. Special tuning requested by the Renting Organization/Individual will be billed to the Renting Organization/Individual. Minnesota Landmarks will designate the piano tuner.
- H. **CLEAN UP.** The Renting Organization/Individual shall clear all areas after final performances/uses, unless permission is given for a longer storage period. Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. is not responsible for any items left beyond the contracted rental period. The Renting Organization/Individual shall also leave all areas in a reasonably clean and orderly condition at the end of the term of this agreement. If other areas are not cleared and/or cleaned within an applicable period, Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. will employ a crew for this purpose and bill the Renting Organization/Individual.
- I. **LIGHT, HEAT, WATER AND VENTILATION.** Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. shall furnish light, heat, water and ventilation, but any special lights or lighting fixtures other than those in ordinary usage shall be provided and paid for by the Renting Organization/Individual.
- J. **FIRE INSURANCE.** The Renting Organization/Individual shall not transact or allow the transaction of any business on the premises or keep thereon anything that will increase the rate of fire insurance on the building or conflict with the provisions of the insurance policies on the building or any part thereof.
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- L. **TOURS.** The Renting Organization/Individual agrees and understands that it will allow Landmark Center tours to look into meeting rooms (not enter) for a brief period.
- M. **LOADING - UNLOADING.** Any and all equipment must be brought in through the Loading Dock, located on the North-West corner of Landmark Center. Parking is allowed on the Loading Dock for this purpose only. Vehicles must be moved when Loading - Unloading is complete. Vehicles will be towed at Renters expense, if parked in Loading area or in assigned parking spaces.

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I have read and understand the Rules & Regulations covering use of space within Landmark Center

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Dilip -


You wanted information about our activity calendar "Columns". You will be working with Kelly Sabanjo on this. Her phone number is 651-292-4375 or my e-mail at admin@landmarkcenter.org. The calendar is published every two months. We will also list the event on our website. I'm not sure how far in advance Kelly needs the information, but please give her the information 6-8 weeks in advance of the event.

We have a poster board and information counter on the first floor and you can leave posters, postcards or flyers there.

In regards to the event, things have always gone very well, but last year MANY of the vendors and the restaurant people taped paper onto the walls. This is something that we do not allow. Please make sure all the people at the event know that they cannot tape anything to the walls.

Thank you very much and I look forward to working with you!

Sincerely,


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Event Date

Dilip Mallik (Dilip Mallik) Sept 26, 2004

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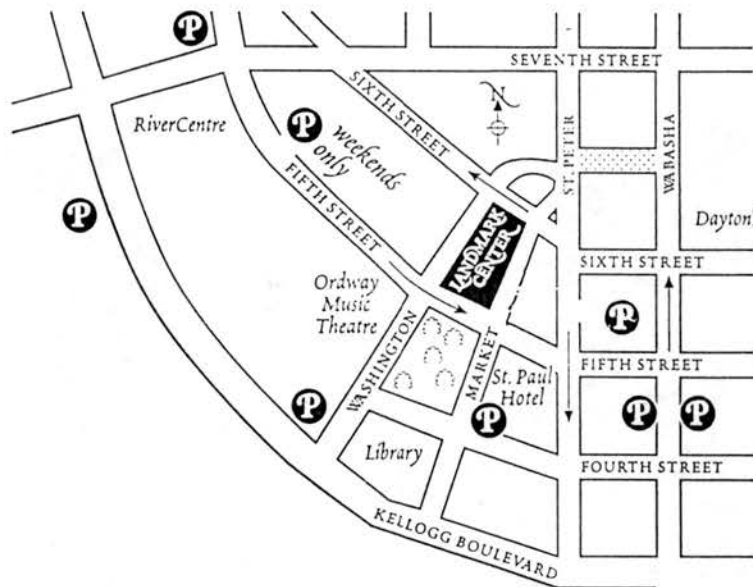
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Date *December 31, 2003*

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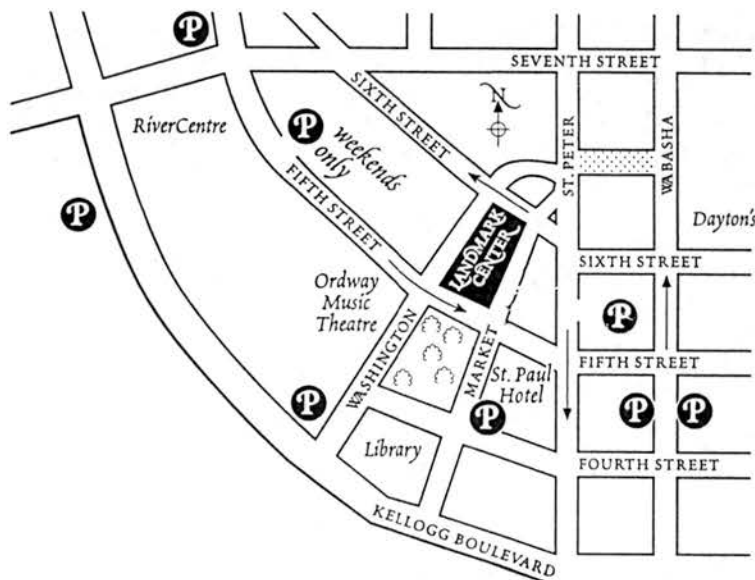
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September 20, 2004

Sept 25
Sunday 2005

Subject: Cordial invitation to 21st annual Festival of India.

Dear Sir/Madam,

India Association of Minnesota (IAM) is cordially inviting you, your family and your organization to visit and participate in Festival of India, the featured event of Indian-American community in Minnesota.

India Association of Minnesota (IAM) is proud to present its 21st annual Festival of India, showcasing live Asian Indian music, traditional dances, cultural entertainment programs, food stalls, exhibit and merchandise booths, interactive yoga and much more! The festival will begin at noon on Sunday, September 26th, 2004 at the Landmark Center, 75 West 5th Street, St. Paul, MN.

Visitors get a unique opportunity to learn about India and the Indian-American community. Several India-related organizations in Minnesota participate to educate attendees about the fascinating aspects of Indian culture that they represent. Officials from the Indian Consular Office of Chicago will process Indian Passport and Visas from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM at the Festival. A nominal facility expenses fee (to be paid to IAM) applies in addition to the charges for Passport and Visa processing (please see official Festival of India Flyer and visit WebPages of Indian Consular Office of Chicago at <http://chicago.indianconsulate.com/> for details information).

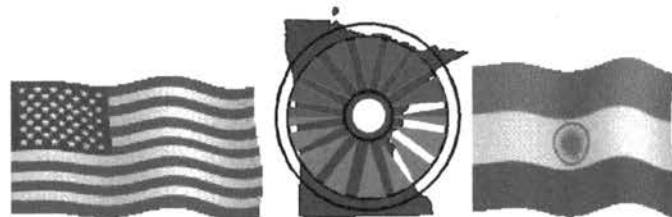
The Festival of India (FOI) is one of the most popular events of the India Association of Minnesota, namely because it is an opportunity to reach out to the broader community. In the recent past, US and State Senators, Minnesota's Secretary of State, the Mayor of St. Paul, State Representatives, the Indian Consulate General from Chicago, local media celebrities, and many other such esteemed guests have joined IAM to celebrate the rich culture and heritage of India at the Festival.

Admission to the Festival is free and open to the public!

Please go to the link to open the Festival of India Flyer.
http://www.iamn.org/documents/FOI_full_page.pdf
For more information, please visit www.iamn.org.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,
Dilip Mallick
Chair for FOI and Vice-President
India Association of Minnesota
(763) 546 - 9393; vicepresident@iamn.org



India Association of Minnesota (IAM)
(www.iamn.org)

Presents

Festival of India

Join the Asian Indian community of Minnesota in a joyous celebration of the diverse and vibrant cultural heritage of India

When: Sunday, September 26, 2004 (12 p.m. to 5 p.m.)

Where: Landmark Center, (651-292-3233)

75 West 5th Street, St. Paul, MN 55102

Web Site: www.landmarkcenter.org

What: Cultural Performances, Entertainment, Food, Craft bazaar
Health and special interest Booths, Interactive Yoga

Indian Visa and Passport Services: Available From 9:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.
(Facility Expenses Fee payable to IAM: \$10/person & \$20/Family)

Admission: *Free* for all.

(Please signup for IAM Membership at the IAM Booth)

To reserve a festival booth:

Nitin Patil: (952) 896-9780

Shalini Thadani: (651) 734-0645

tshalini@yahoo.com

Sanghamitra Sahu: (763) 593-1403

Mitras7@yahoo.com

To participate in cultural activities:

Deepshikha Gupta: (651) 454-2124

Rabinder Bains: (651) 735-4322

president@iamn.org

For General Information Contact:

Program Coordinator: Dilip Mallick: (763) 546 - 9393

vicepresident@iamn.org

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प्रधान कौंसुल

Arun Kumar
Consul General



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455 N. CITYFRONT PLAZA DRIVE, #850

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60611

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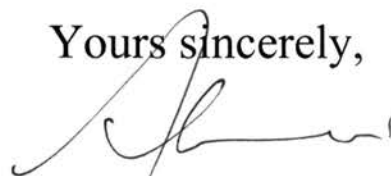
November 10, 2003

My dear Rahinder,

You may have by now received Ambassador's letter WAS/AMB/10/03 dated October 3, 2003 regarding the idea of formation of a friendly group in the US Senate to be called the "Senate Friends of India" (SFI).

I shall be grateful to know from you the reaction of your Senate friend / friends to the above idea so that further progress can be made in the matter. My office would also be calling you shortly over the phone to remind / check with you the reactions received from the respective Senators of your area.

Yours sincerely,


(Arun Kumar)

Mr. Rahinder Bains,
Economics Analyst,
2087 Parkview Lane,
Woodbury, MN 55125



Franklin J. Gummadi
07/30/98 09:02 AM

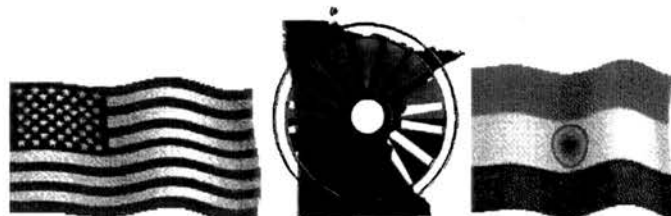
To: Mr. Sharma
Consul
Consulate General of India
cc: Chicago IL 60611
Subject: India Day

Dear Mr. Sharma,

The India Association of Minnesota will be celebrating the 15th Festival of India on October 4th 1998. We would very much like to have you and your staff to take part in this celebration. The Consulate services are a main attraction at this event. In order to confirm this date in making other arrangements I would appreciate a quick response from your office.

Thank you.
Sincerely,

Franklin Gummadi
President,
India Association of Minnesota
1823 Gramsie rd.
Arden hills MN55112
Ph: 651-636-6239 (H)
651-733-7294 (O)
Fax: 651-733-1804



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India Association of Minnesota presents



Festival of India



Sunday, October 4, 1998
12 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Landmark Center, Downtown St. Paul

75 South 5th Street (one block from the Civic Center)

Directions, parking and bus information at www.mtn.org/landmark

Food, Entertainment, Crafts and Community Activities

Visa and Passport Renewals for Travel to India
provided by representatives from the Consulate General of
India (5\$ charge for non-IAM members)

Admission Fees: 2\$ (individual), 5\$ (family),
FREE for IAM members and children below 12

For more information contact:

Ananth Shankar 730-5966, rajiananth@aol.com

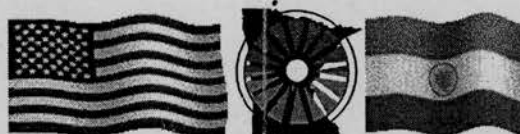
Sunondo Ghosh 628-4982, sghosh@htc.honeywell.com

To participate in cultural activities contact:

Mahadevan Sivaramakrishnan 542-3160, msivaram1@yahoo.com

To reserve a booth at the festival contact:

Uttam Padukone 553-8009, u0107@usa.net



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Festival of India

Cultural Program

October 6, 2002 at Landmark Center, St. Paul

12:30 Onwards	MC: Sarjit Bains	Time
Indian National Anthem	School of India for Languages and Culture (SILC)	12:30 to 12:35
Ganesh Pooja	Students of Vidhya Subramani	12:35 to 12:40
Guru Vandana	Archana Nair	12:40 to 12:45
Teen Dance	Students of Manila Mathur	12:45 to 12:50
Bharat Natyam	Students of Jocelyn Gorham	12:50 to 1:00
1:00 Onwards	MC: Shruti Mathur	Time
Guest Speaker		1:00 – 1:15
Kathak Dance	Katha Dance Theater	1:15 – 1:30
1:30 Onwards	MC: Vineeta Sawkar	Time
Children's dance	SILC	1:30 – 1:35
Guest Speaker		1:35 – 1:45
Bharat Natyam Dance	Ragamala Dance Theater	1:45 – 2:00
2:00 Onwards	MC: Rajinder Singh	Time
Folk Dance	Malayali Association	2:00 – 2:05
President's Address	Ashoke Mandal	2:05 – 2:15
Giddha	Sikh Society	2:15 – 2:25
Recital	Oriya Association	2:25 – 2:30
2:30 Onwards	MC: Chitra Subramaniam	Time
Bhangra Children's Dance	Sikh Society	2:30 – 2:35
Dance	Divya Gupta	2:35 – 2:40
Antakshri	Sudha Nagavarapu	2:40 – 3:00
3:00 Onwards	MC: Malli Arudi	Time
Dance	Bhavika Thanki	3:05 – 3:10
Bhangra	Sikh Society	3:10 – 3:15
Dance	Simi Sachdev	3:15 – 3:20
Dandia Demonstration	Gujarati Samaj	3:20 – 3:45

Festival of India 1991: Program

Sunday September 29, Landmark center

Overall Masters of Ceremony:

- 12 - 2pm: **Shanti Shah**
- 2 - 3pm: **Arvind Suri**
- 3 - 5pm: **Sarjit Singh Bains**

12 - 1pm

- Youth masters of ceremony: **Navin Kumar & Jaisy Cherucheril**
- I. Introduction: Shrin Murthy, President India Club
 - II. Invocation & U.S. National Anthem: SILC students
 - III. Dance: Sikh Society of MN
 - IV. Speech: Bill Wilson, President. City Council, St. Paul
 - V. Dance: Hindu Society of MN, organized by Jagrithi, Dave
 - VI. Announcement: Story telling at the Theme booth

1 - 2pm

- Youth masters of ceremony: **Ketan Gada & Chithra Subrahmaniam**
- I. Speech: B.S. Dhir, Vice Consul, Indian Consulate
 - II. Song: Marathi Association
 - III. Dance: Students of Rita Mustaphi
 - IV. Speech: Dr. Albert de Leon, Asian - Pacific Council
 - V. Announcement: Story telling at the Theme booth

2 - 3pm

- Youth masters of ceremony: **Vishant Shah & Geetha Sivasailam**
- I. Dance: Kannada Koota, Students of Geetha Sivasailam
 - II. Dandia Raas & Demonstration: Ram Gada & friends
 - III. Song: Bengali Communtiy, organized by Dolly Mitra
 - IV. Announcement: Story telling at the Theme booth

3 - 4pm

- Youth masters of ceremony: **George Cherucheril & Aparna Ramaswamy**
- I. Dance: Malayalee Group
 - II. Dance: Tamil Association
 - III. Music: Suresh Sundarraaj
 - IV. Dance: Shipal Mehta
 - V. Announcement: Story telling at the Theme booth

4 - 5pm

- Youth masters of ceremony: **Zeena Koppuzha & Ann Cherucheril**
- I. Sari Demonstration & Make-over: Pam Cherucheril & Geetha Sivasailam
 - II. Dance: Sikh Society, organized by Sarjit Singh Bains
 - III. Bajan: Sai Group, organized by Valli Sivasailam
 - IV. Indian National Anthem: SILC students

TO FRANKLIN RUMMAD

Press Release

Festival of India organized by the India Association of Minnesota

Release date - September 15, 1998

For information contact - Sunondo Ghosh,

651-628-4982 (h), 612-951-7513 (w), sghosh@htc.honeywell.com

The **India Association of Minnesota (IAM)** is holding its yearly gala event, the **Festival of India**, on **Sunday, October 4th, 1998** at the **Landmark Center** in downtown St. Paul, Minnesota. The cultural activities, food and crafts on display at this event attract thousands of visitors each year. There are continuous cultural programs from noon till 5 p.m. including classical and folk dances from various parts of India, vocal and instrumental music (individual and group), skits, and a variety of other programs. Delicious Indian food and beautiful handicrafts (including Indian clothes, ornaments etc.) are available from various local Indian restaurants and stores. Booths set up by many organizations provide information on activities of the local Indian American community (such as LAMP working for literacy in India, IMSOM organizing Indian classical music events in the Twin Cities, SILC providing Indian language and cultural education in the Twin Cities area, etc). For the convenience of travelers to India, representatives from the Consulate General of India at Chicago provide visa and passport renewals for travel to India at the Festival. There is a \$2 admission charge to the Festival for individuals and \$5 admission charge for families. The event is free for IAM members and children below twelve.

The Landmark Center is located on 75 West Fifth Street in downtown Saint Paul, one block from the Civic Center. Directions, parking and bus information is available at www.mtn.org/landmark. For more information contact **Ananth Shankar** at 730-5966 (rajananth@aol.com) or **Sunondo Ghosh** at 628-4982 (sghosh@htc.honeywell.com). To participate in cultural activities contact **Mahadevan (Suresh) Sivaramakrishnan** at 542-3160 (misvaram1@yahoo.com). To reserve a booth at the festival, contact **Uttam Padukone** at 553-8009 (u0107@usa.net).

The India Association of Minnesota is a non-profit, non-political organization representing all people of Indian origin living in Minnesota. The primary mission of the Association is to build solidarity and a sense of purpose among the Indian community here in the Twin Cities and to represent the Indian community to the population at large. IAM is involved in a variety of cultural and community interest activities. Such activities include participation in the Festival of Nations, organizing picnics and inviting speakers on topics of interest to the Asian Indian community. IAM also supports the functioning of various groups and activities including AIWA (Asian Indian Women's Association), SILC (Society of Indian Language and Culture), History Project, etc. This is the 25th year anniversary of IAM, and its 16th year of organizing the Festival of India.



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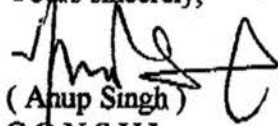
Kindly refer to my telephonic discussion with you regarding visit of an Indian business delegation led by the Minister of Industry to Minnesota.

2. The delegation has to change the dates because of some unavoidable reasons. They are, now, expected to be in Minneapolis on October 4, 98. The programme is still being worked out. We shall let you know the exact date as soon as it is finalised. Meanwhile, you are requested kindly to fax us a complete list of the current office bearers of the India Association of Minnesota alongwith their telephones / faxes.

If you have any questions you can call me at PH: (312)-595-0414 (O)
and 733 -506-2248 (R)

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,


(Anup Singh)

CONSUL

August 26, 1998

FESTIVAL OF INDIA



NRITYA JYOTI DANCE THEATRE

ADMISSION FREE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1995

12:00-5:00p.m.

Landmark Center

**75 South 5th Street, Downtown St. Paul
(one block from the Civic Center)**

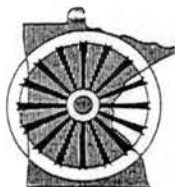
- *Folk & Classical Dances
- *Art Exhibit
- *Music
- *Textiles, Brass, Jewelry, &
other Handicrafts for Sale

- *Saree Demonstrations
- *Food Booths featuring
Indian Cuisine

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presented by the INDIA ASSOCIATION of MN

FOR INFORMATION CALL: 894-1860 or 690-2143



Festival of India

September 29, 1996

India Association of Minnesota

Cultural Program

Program Committee

Overall : Vasant Sukhatme, Sarat K. Mohapatra
Cultural : Sushree Nanda, Aparna Mandal, Indra Mehrotra
Booth : Ajit Verghese
Publicity: Deepak Agarwal

12 noon

Master of Ceremonies

Preeti Mathur

Vandemataram

SILC

Mohini Attam

SILC

Literacy

Lamp

North Indian Folk Dance

Deep Gupta & gr.

Ganapathi Kowtham

Indian Dance Academy

IAM Introduction

Vasant Sukhatme

1:00 pm

Master of Ceremonies

Arvind Suri

North Indian Folk Dance

Aparna Suri

IAM Announcements

Vasant Sukhatme

Ravindreek Dance

Aparna Mandal & Gr.

Speaker - Minnesota

International Center

Carol Byrne

Band Performance

Shaan Sharma & Gr.

Gujarati Folk Dance

Gujarati Samaj

2:00 pm

Master of Ceremonies

Mukhtar Thakur

Speaker

Sheila Wellstone

IAM Announcements

Vasant Sukhatme

Jatiswaram

Jocelyn Gorham & Gr.

Oddisi (Mangalacharan)

Sushree Nanda

Saraswati Bandana ,Journey &

Lasya Nritya

Nritya Jyoti Dance Theater

Thillana

Ranee Ramaswamy & Gr.

3:00 pm

Master of Ceremonies

Mukhtar Thakur

Speaker

Congressman Bruce Vento

IAM Activities

Vasant Sukhatme

Shiva Kaivaram

Indian Dance Academy

Darbar/Tarana

Nritya Jyoti Dance Theater

Thillana

Aparna Ramaswamy & Gr.

Krishna Shabdam, Anjali,

Natesha Kauthuvarm

Rajeshwari Natyalaya

4:00 pm

Master of Ceremonies

Chitra Subrahmanian

*Speaker- Council of Asian-
Pacific Minnesotans*

Adeel Lari

Folk Dance

Renu Kumar

Ravindreek Dance -II

Aparna Mandal & Gr.

Alarimpu

Indian Dance Academy

Veena

Uma Karthikeyan

Vote of Thanks

Vasant Sukhatme

Festival of India

October 5, 1997

Landmark Center, St. Paul, Minnesota

India Association of Minnesota

Cultural Program

Program Committee

General Chair : Franklin Gummadi

Cultural : Sarat Mohapatra

Booth : Ajit Verghese, Raksha Gates

Publicity: Ashish Bhargava

12:00 noon

Master of Ceremonies

Welcome

Vande Mataram

Kaikotti Kali Dance

Dance (Mera lung gawcha)

Sitar

Priya Franklin

Sarat Mohapatra

Students of SILC

Students of SILC

Puja Garg

Sagar & Franklin Gummadi

Break

1:00 pm

Master of Ceremonies

Speaker

IAM Announcements

Bharat Natyam (Chanda Hai Tu,

Pushpanjali, Alarippu, Jaya Janaki)

Colors & Costumes of India

Mukhtar Thakur

Consul Anup Singh

Sarat Mohapatra

Students of Jocelyn Gorham

NK Designs

Break
2.00 pm

Master of Ceremonies

Video

Speaker

Dance (Thillana & Jaya Janaki)

Modern Dance (Mixed masala)

*Dance (Saraswati Bandana, Dance of Nature
& Kathak Nritya)*

Rajasthani Dance

*Dance (Alarippu, Ganapathi Kautham,
Padam)*

Introduction of IAM Board

Mukhtar Thakur

President Clinton's speech

Representative

Satveer Chaudhury

Ragamala Dance Theater

Malini Mehta

NrityaJyoti Dance Theater

Manila Mathur & gr.

Indian Dance Academy

Sarat Mohapatra

Break
3.00 pm

Master of Ceremonies

Dance (Anjali, Natesha Kauthuvam)

Skit (Literacy)

Folk Dance (Mega re mega)

IAM Announcements

Children's Dance

Arvind Suri

Rajeswari Natyalaya

LAMP

Aparna, Rachana, Lori & Jani

Franklin Gummadi

Renu Kumar & gr.

Break
4.00 pm

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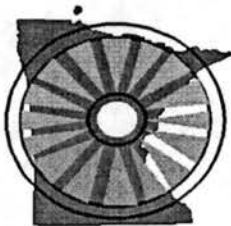
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Gujrati Association

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Sarat Mohapatra 739-0420**

INDIA ASSOCIATION OF MINNESOTA

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ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING

December 2, 2000

10:00 A.M.

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|---|---------------------|
| 1. Welcome | Ananth Shankar |
| 2. Introduction | All |
| 3. Treasurer's Report | Ashoke Mandal |
| 4. President's Report | Ananth Shankar |
| 5. Community Group Reports | |
| AIWA | Nayana Ramakrishnan |
| 55+ Club | Sudanshu Mishra |
| SILC | Guptan Namboodripad |
| History Project | Chitra Subramaniam |
| PIC (<i>Parents of Indian Children</i>) | Godan Namboodripad |
| 6. Election of 2001 Board | Ram Gada |
| 7. Election of 2001 Executive Board | Ram Gada |
| 8. Election of 2002 Nominating Committee | Ram Gada |
| 9. Plans for 2001 | Vipin Gopal |
| 10. General Discussions | All |
| 11. Vote of Thanks | Vipin Gopal |

Refreshments

South Adyorn Club
Andrus

→ Cross Cultural Committee

Mission Statement of IATA
IATA activities
Awards.

Election Process
IRS.

Network

Election Process.

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**INDIA ASSOCIATION of
MINNESOTA**

CORDIALLY INVITES YOU FOR ITS

**25th ANNUAL MEETING
10:00 AM -1:00 PM
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1998**

at the
INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MINNESOTA
1694 COMO AVE., St. Paul
PHONE: 651-647-0191

POTLUCK LUNCH WILL BE SERVED

RSVP by Nov. 15

Bhupat Desai (651-777-7991)
Franklin Gummadi (612-636-6239)

Agenda

1. Election of 1999 Board of Directors
2. Summary of 1998 Activities
3. Tentative plans for 1999
4. General Discussions
5. Awards & Honors
6. Vote of Thanks
7. Lunch

**The Nominating Committee has nominated
the following people as IAM Board members
for the Calendar year 1999:**

1. Vivek Bachawat
2. Milin Bhat
3. Dharm Bobra
4. Bhupat Desai
5. Sunnundo Ghosh
6. Vipin Gopal - 951-7438
7. Deepshika Gupta
8. Mary Gupta
9. Shashi Gupta
10. Ginny Jacobson
11. Suresh Mahadevan
12. Dilip Malick
13. Vatsal Munshi
14. Nihar Nanda
15. Indra Vadhan Patel
16. Shaila Rao
17. Kumud Sehgal
18. Vidya Shankar
19. Ananth Shankar
20. Kher Singh
21. Mukhtar Thakur

India

349 East Eldridge Ave

Maplewood. MN 55117

INDIA ASSOCIATION OF MINNESOTA

CORDIALLY INVITES YOU FOR ITS

ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING

1:30PM – 4PM

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2004

at the

INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MINNESOTA

1694, COMO AVENUE, ST. PAUL

(651) 647-0191

Refreshments Will Be Served

Agenda

Welcome by 2004 IAM President Rabinder Bains

Treasurer's and President's Reports for 2004

Reports from IAM Affiliated Organizations

Election of Nomination Committee for 2005

Election of the Officers by the 2005 Board

Message from 2005 President

General Discussion

Refreshments

For more details, contact:

Rabinder Bains (651) 735-4322

Members that have been nominated for the 2005 IAM Board of Directors:

- | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Dilip Mallick | 12. Raji Shankar |
| 2. Ramona Advani | 13. Sanjukt Misra* |
| 3. Nitin Patil | 14. Kavita Iyer* |
| 4. Shalini Thadani | 15. Bob Ramer* |
| 5. Ramesh Muniswamy | 16. Datta Godbole* |
| 6. Rabinder Bains | 17. Bhairvi Mahant* |
| 7. Guptan Nambudiripad | 18. Sandhya Gupta* |
| 8. Shivanti Sathanandan | 19. Pranab Chatterjee* |
| 9. Shambhu Nath | 20. Syed Ghazi Akailvi* |
| 10. Sanghamitra Sahu | 21. Sudhir Singh* |
| 11. Indushekaran Nair | |

*New

Nominating Committee for 2005:

Deepshikha Gupta (Chair)
Saila Rao
Bankim Desai
Nayana Ramakrishnan
Franklin Gummadi

Additional Nominations:

The Board of Directors and the Trustee Advisory Council shall be elected from the nominees submitted by the Nomination Committee and published by the Secretary. However, additional nominees willing and able to serve may be presented by petition signed by at least ten (10) IAM members in good standing (as of July 31 of the year) with all necessary application forms filled and submitted to the Nomination Committee Chair not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the date of annual meeting. If Nominee's application meets the eligibility requirements, the Nomination Committee shall also include the applicant nominee for the election. The applicant will be informed by the Nomination Committee of its decision and explanation in case of rejection before the annual meeting.

For additional nominations contact Nomination Committee Chair: Preeti Mathur at 651-483-0793 for the application form



INDIA CLUB

- Promotes a variety of activities open to anyone with an interest in India.
- Works for the general advancement of the Indian community, preservation of national and cultural values and to facilitate interaction among the Indian community and with the population at large.
- Contacts government (both US and Indian) and community leaders to make the needs and concerns of the Indian community known.
- Participates in Festival of Nations (Spring).
- Organizes Festival of India (Fall)
(Attracts about 4,000 attendees)
- Promotes cultural events of Indian interest.
- Sponsors Youth Festival (Winter).
- Provides speakers to present Indian life and culture to school students and general public.
- Co-ordinates voluntary activities to serve the community we live in.
- Assists local adoption services by providing information for adoptive parents of Indian children.
- Runs a host family program to help new students from India in adjusting to life in Minnesota.
- Publishes a news letter.



YOUR INVESTMENT IN INDIA CLUB MEANS:

Opportunity to meet and develop positive relationships with people of widely varied backgrounds who share your interest in India.

Receive newsletters and special mailings covering activities and announcements of interest to members.

Discounted admissions at some India Club sponsored events.

Access to a directory of area clubs and organizations, local businesses and professionals.

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Preference in booth space at India Club events.

Inclusion in the directory of business and professional members.

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/DIRECTORY INFORMATION



STUDENT ☐ \$500 FAMILY ☐ \$10.00 BUSINESS ☐ \$25.00
LIFE MEMBERSHIP ☐ \$100.00

NAME _____ SPOUSE _____

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CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

CHILDREN (year of birth) _____

PROFESSION/BUSINESS _____

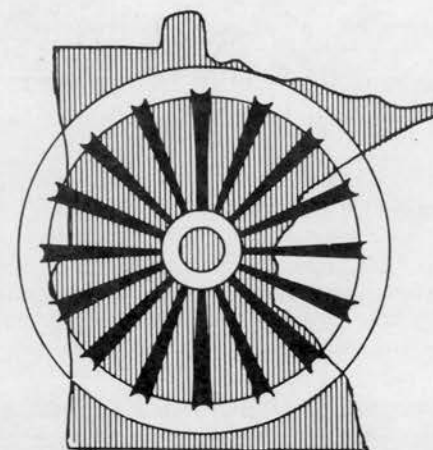
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PLEASE RETURN TO: THE INDIA CLUB, 1694 COMO AVENUE, ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA 55108

Please indicate your interest in volunteering

	VOLUNTEER	
	Yes	No
1. Festival of Nations		
2. Community Services Volunteer Work in the Community)		
3. Festival of India		
4. Youth Activities		
5. Host Family Program For Students from India		
6. Newsletter		
7. Speakers Bureau		
8. Committee Work		

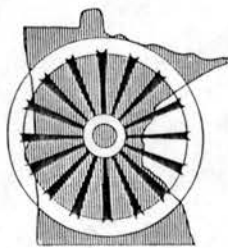
THE INDIA CLUB
P.O. BOX 130158
ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA 55113



THE INDIA CLUB

OF MINNESOTA
SINCE 1973

(A non-profit organization)



THE INDIA CLUB OF MINNESOTA

Dear

The India Club of Minnesota would like to invite your organization to participate in the Festival of India on September 27, 1992. This year the celebration will again be held at the Landmark Center in St Paul from noon to 5:00 p.m. We are expecting another very successful year in presenting India and its culture to Minnesotans. This year's theme is Flowers.

The India Club will provide your organization with space at the Landmark Center including a table, tablecloth, and a sign. All of these must be returned in good condition at the end of the event.

This year India Club is not anticipating any grant funds to carry out this event. Your organization will be charged \$75.00 plus \$20 deposit. The deposit should be sent as a separate check (made out to India Club) which we will hold and return to you, in full when all items are returned in good condition.

Please sign the enclosed agreement and send it along with your checks to me by August 21st, 1992. Please feel free to call me at 487-6411, or Raj Ramaswamy at 894-9785 if you have any questions. Thank you in advance for your participation. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Gupthan Namboodiripad
India Club
Commercial and Non-Profits Liaison

P.S.: - Please send the signed agreement and checks (made out to India Club) to:

Gupthan Namboodiripad
India Club
1575 Woodbridge St #102
St Paul, MN 55117

फोन : (312) 595-0405 से 0410 (6 लाईन्स)
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शिकागो, इलीनोईस ६०६११

CONSULATE GENERAL OF INDIA
455 NORTH CITYFRONT PLAZA DRIVE, #850
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60611

To


Mr. Franklin Gummadi,
President Fax No.651733-1804
India Association of Minnesota
1823 Gramsie rd.
Arden Hills MN 55112

Dear Mr. Gummadi,

This refers to your fax regarding India Day function on October 4, 1998.

2. It is confirmed that the Consulate would make arrangements to depute two officials for rendering of Consular Services at India Day function on October 4, 1998. As in the past we would need the assistance from your members to to ensure smooth rendering of the Consular Services.

Yours sincerely,


(Anup Singh)
CONSUL
August 13, 1998.

Festival of India
Planning Meeting Agenda
September 8, 2002

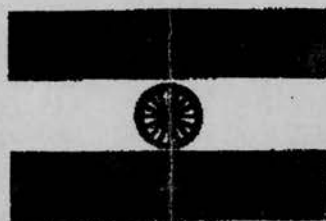
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 - Reservations confirmed.
 - Review of Meeting with Betsy
- Chief Guest
- Visa Renewal Services Dilip/Bankim
 - Setup **2+2**
 - Volunteers **Dilip will contact**
- ✓ Vendor Booths Vatsal
 - Contacts
 - Price/Deadlines/Rules
- Entertainment Deepshika/Kumud
 - Program Items; MCs;
 - ✓ Program Sheets
 - Fashion Show
- ✓ Food/Caterer — Ashoke
- Publicity
 - Within Community
 - To General Public
 - ~~Banners outside Building~~ **stet.**
- Possible Added Attractions
 - SBI Booth/Advertisement
 - ~~Special Event in Auditorium~~ ✓
 - Demos
 - Mehendi ✓
 - Saree wrapping. ✓
 - Bindi ✓
 - Children's Coloring ✓ **stet**
 - ~~Dress up - Polaroid photos~~
 - ~~Costumes of India~~ **univ. students**
 - ~~Facts on India~~ **oph'anal**
- Changes in Layout, Setup, Decorations, Cleanup Bankim
- Admission Tickets
 - Entrance Tables and Volunteers

My Job

Prepare Flyer

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2:38PM

Master of Ceremonies: Vipin Gopal

Chief Guest

**Mary Kiffmeyer, Secretary of State
SILC**

Dance

Smita Debnath and Friends

Gharba

Board Member Introductions

IRM

NK Designs

Fashion Show

Nritya Jyoti

Kathak

Anu Krishnan

Song

3:38PM

Master of Ceremonies: Chitra Subrahmanian

Film Dance

The Maharanis

Mehiniattam

Archana Nair

Hindi Movie Song

Santosh Varier

Dance

Sarika Prabhu and Friends

Bharatanatyam

Dharani Ranganathan

Thank You For Coming to Festival of India 1999!!!

Saving the Best For Last!!

General Coordination: Bhupat Desai, Ananth Shanker

Publicity: Ashoke Mandal, Dharam Bobra, Devesh Chandra, Vidya Shanker, Mukhtar Thakur

Cultural Event: Chitra Subrahmanian, Govind Vatassery

Audio/Stage: Vipin Gopal, Nihar Nanda

Booths Planning: Indra Patel, Ramesh Patel, Mary Gupta

Welcoming Committee: Deepshika Gupta, Sunondo Gosh, Ginny Jacobson, Kumud Sahgal,
Saila Rao, Shashi Gupta, Dilip Mallick

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India Association of Minnesota

(www.iamn.org)

Presents

Festival of India

Cultural Program

October 3rd, 1999 at Landmark Center, St. Paul

A MILLENIUM CELEBBATION!!!

12 noon onwards

Master of Ceremonies: Minneta Sawkar

**Indian National Anthem
American National Anthem
Vande Mataram
Bharatanatyam
President's Address
Music
Minnesota Historical Society**

**SILC (School of India for Languages and Culture)
SILC
SILC
Deva Nritya
Bhupat Desai
Bukmi Chakrabarty & Kinsuk Chakrabarty
Jim Fogerty**

1:30 PM

Master of Ceremonies: Ananth Shankar

**Bharatanatyam
Fashion Show
IAM Events
Honorary Guest
Dance
Song
Kuchipudi**

**Deva Nritya
NK Design
Ananth Shankar
Satveer Chaudhary, State Representative
Desi Chicks
SILC
Leela Prabhu**

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2:30 pm onwards	MC - Chitra Subramaniam	Time
Dance - Kathak	Nritya Jyoti Dance Theater	2:30 - 2:50
Ghazal	Ravi Prasad	2:50 - 3:00
Bharatnatyam	Shruti Sriram	3:00 - 3:10

Dandia dance demonstration -- 3:10 to 3:30 pm
 Facilitator: Neena Gada

3:30 pm onwards	MC - Deep Shikha	Time
India Association Board Member Introduction	Ananth Shankar	3:30 - 3:40
Music - Carnatic	Shruti Sriram	3:40 - 3:45
Folk Dance	Raj Singh	3:45 - 3:50
Dance	Bhangra	3:50 - 3:55
Closing Remarks	Vipin Gopal	4:00

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India Association of Minnesota

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Festival of India

Cultural Program

October 1st, 2000 at Landmark Center, St. Paul

12 noon onwards	M.C.: Dharam Eobra	Time
Indian National Anthem	SILC	12-12.05
American National Anthem	SILC	12.10-12.15
Vande Mataram	SILC	12.15-12.20
President's Address	Ananth Shankar	12.20-12.30

12.30 Onwards	M.C.: Vineeta Sawkar	Time
Speech – Consul General	Mr. Surendra Kumar	12:30 – 1:00
Dance – Bharatnatyam	Vijaya Kant	1:00 – 1:10
Folkdance	Manila Mathur	1:10 – 1:15
Dance - Kaikottikali	Malayali Association	1:20 – 1:25
Folk Dance	Manila Mathur	1:25 – 1:30

1.30 Onwards	M.C.: Vipin Gopal	Time
Songs	Ashweni Sahni	1:30 – 1:40
Dance	Devanrithya School	1:40 – 2:00

Kaun Banega Karodpati 2:00 - 2:30PM

Facilitator: Sanat Mohanty

Gujarat Riots: The Top 5 Myths and Facts

On Feb 27th, Sabarmati Express, carrying *kar sevaks* from Ayodhya was set to fire near Godhra. The Coalition Against Communalism unequivocally condemns this act of violence. From Feb 28th on, frenzied mobs all over Gujarat started burning and butchering the Muslim population, looting their property and vandalizing their places of worship. Till date, over 700 people have lost their lives in the post-Godhra violence and 50-100,000 have been displaced. The Coalition Against Communalism strongly condemns the Gujarat government for complete failure of governance during the riots, for inciting violence against minorities and for its continued failure to provide relief and aid to the victims of the carnage.

MYTH 1: The riots in Gujarat are a spontaneous expression of Hindu anger or Hindu Sentiment.

Fact: These 'riots' were a pre-planned, cold-blooded, calculated, willfully executed massacre of the Muslim community. In other contexts such occurrences have been referred to as 'genocide' or 'ethnic cleansing.' They were carried out in connivance with civic, administrative and political bodies.

- People and homes of the Muslim community were targeted using voter lists, license and other such information that only the civic administration can provide
- In commercial districts where businesses and shops of Hindus and Muslims co-exist, the mobs burnt only the Muslim owned shops. This shows calculation and planning, not mob 'frenzy'.
- If 'Hindu outrage' is enough to explain these riots, then why did the violence only erupt in Gujarat? In Ayodhya where over 15,000 frenzied *kar sevaks* had aggregated, the civic administration performed their constitutional duty and maintained peace, while in Gujarat, the state government actively encouraged the violence.

MYTH 2: The government is doing its best to maintain peace and harmony in Gujarat, provide relief to the riot victims and apprehend those involved in rioting.

Fact: The state government is the instigator as well as the perpetrator of these riots. Not only did the government deliberately delay all attempts to control the situation during the riots but is still failing in its responsibility to provide relief to the victims or ensure justice for them.

- The deployment of army was deliberately delayed by the state and central governments.
- The state police were at best inactive, and most likely complicit, in the butchering of people and looting and destruction of property. The electronic and print media have extensively documented the collaboration of the police in providing diesel from state vehicles for burning people and property, preventing medical aid and fire brigades from reaching the victims, and in some cases, actually handing over people (who had sought police protection) to the saffron-clad butchers.
- The relief camps set up by NGOs to help the riot victims now house over 50,000 people (over 100,000 by some accounts), but there has been little or no Government help. What little is coming, is too little too late, for example spoiled food and torn clothes rejected from last year's earthquake relief efforts!

- The government has shown little inclination to investigate the riots. It first set up a judicial enquiry to investigate the train burning ONLY, and only agreed to extend it to cover the post-Godhra violence when faced with widespread criticism. Even so, it has appointed a retired Gujarat High Court Judge who is notorious for his anti-minority. One of his judgements was overturned by the Supreme Court of India with the comment that "the finding of the judge... is not based on appreciation of evidence but on imagination."

In such a situation, where the State is directly implicated in contributing to violence, it is necessary that a independent and impartial panel of judges be assigned to the commission.

MYTH 3: The RSS-VHP-Bajrang Dal-BJP (the Sangh Parivar) are pro-Hindus and Patriots.

Fact: The Sangh Parivaar is Anti-Hindu and propagates a narrow, distorted version of Hinduism. Nor do these groups care for the country or its citizens.

- The Sangh Parivaar has demolished multi-faith Dargaahs and even Hindu temples, including Ram ka Chabutara and Sita ki Rasoi in Ayodhya in 1992.
- Mainstream Hindu religious leaders oppose the VHP and Bajrang Dal.
 - Even among the orthodox, five of the seven *akhadas*, or religious orders (of Hinduism), in Ayodhya are against the VHP and its bloody tactics, the Shankaracharya of Goverdhanpuri, Jagadguru Adhokshajanand Teerth, has condemned the ongoing mob violence in Gujarat as "state terrorism" and demanded that VHP leaders be arrested under the National Security Act.
 - The VHP-Bajrang Dal have insulted revered religious leaders and purohits who disagreed with the VHP's narrow vision of Hinduism. The Hindu priest in charge of the idols at the Ram Janmabhoomi site, Pujari Laldas, was harassed for saying the following: "[Riots] were caused for financial and political gain.... I am the priest of the Ram Janmabhoomi temple. I can honestly say that until today VHP members never made a single offering nor even prayed in this temple... They don't care if people are killed, all they care about is money and power. Those who speak of a Hindu Nation and create violence in the name of Ram are upper caste, they all love the good life, there's not an iota of renunciation or sacrifice or public concern in them...." (Interview contained in the documentary, *In the Name of God*). When the BJP came to power in Uttar Pradesh in 1992, Pujari Laldas was removed from his post as head priest of the Ram temple. A year later Pujari Laldas was murdered.
- Ordinary Hindus are also fed up with these groups: The majority of Hindus have always voted against the BJP, even when it has formed the government at the center. Recent state elections show that even in states (such as U.P.) where BJP has held power for long, the electorate has rejected them.

COALITION AGAINST COMMUNALISM

- "The VHP is the main villain [in these disturbances]" - Abhishek Sharma, runs a grocery shop in Ayodhya
- "Ram mandir ke naam par desh ki barbaadi ho rahi hai (the country is being ruined by this Ram mandir issue). It is only going to weaken the country." -- Rajinder Singh, a cement plant worker
- "Aadmi khoon ka pyaasa hogaya hai (man is killing man). All this is against the Hindu sanskriti (tradition) ... There should be both a mandir and a masjid at Ayodhya" -- Sunita Yadav, a sweetshop owner's wife from Mathura

- The Sangh Parivar does not believe in the Indian Constitution, and instead of using democratic means to put forth their views, they resort to violence, openly flout the orders of the Supreme Court, oppose the very fundamental principle of equality and liberty upon which the Indian State is based, and demonize an entire community based on the actions of a few people who happen to claim the same religion.
- The Sangh Parivar's philosophy is anti-democratic at its core. Despite participating in electoral politics, the Sangh Parivar has never believed in democracy. This is what Hedgewar, the founder of RSS, had to say:

"I have thought out a scheme based on Hindu Dharm Shastra, which provides for standardization of Hinduism throughout India... But the point is that this ideal cannot be brought to effect unless we have our own Swaraj with a Hindu as Dictator like Shivaji of old, or Mussolini or Hitler of the present day in Italy and Germany. But this does not mean that we have to sit with folded hands until some such dictator arises in India. We should formulate a scientific scheme and carry on propaganda for it."

- The VHP, Bajrang Dal, RSS have all the hallmarks of fundamentalist-terrorist groups, and their behavior is indistinguishable from the Taliban:

- They are self appointed guardians of morality which they impose—on pain of physical intimidation and destruction of property by roving gangs of state-sponsored ruffians. They pass judgments on what can be shown on TV and cable, what movies should be allowed, what festivals or occasions people can or cannot celebrate.
- Ancient monuments of historical relevance are being destroyed, much like the destruction of the Bamiyan Buddhas by the Taliban. In addition to the 16th century mosque Babri Masjid that was destroyed by these militant Hindu organizations in 1992, several dozen mosques were destroyed in the recent riots in Gujarat, including the 16th century mosque near the Jethabai stepwells which had been classified as a protected site by the Archaeological Survey of India (Indian Express). VHP has a stated goal of destroying India's heritage by targeting heritage monuments such as the Taj Mahal and Qutub Minar.
- Gyan Das, the Hindu leader (Mahant) of the Nirvani Akhada in Ayodhya also compares the VHP to the Taliban. "How has this man [Ashok Singhal, Working President of the VHP], who is responsible for fanning hatred and bloodshed in the entire country, been allowed to step into Ayodhya?" fumes Gyan Das. "Singhal is the head of the country's Taliban and, like

in Afghanistan, this group here will destroy the nation."

- The VHP, Bajrang Dal, RSS organize and train private, armed militias for the express purpose of creating terror.

MYTH 4: Sabarmati Express incident is terrorism while the post-Godhra carnage in Gujarat is 'mere' communal riots.

Fact: If anything, the labels can only be reversed. All indications suggest that the Godhra incident was spontaneous and not preplanned while the post Godhra violence was highly organized with a distinct aim of spreading terror amongst the minorities.

- B.K. Nanavati, the deputy police superintendent in Godhra, said the investigation does not support the contention by Gujarat's chief minister, Narendra Modi, that the assault on the train was a "terrorist attack." "It was not preplanned," Nanavati said. "It was a sudden, provocative incident." Eyewitness accounts, later confirmed by Ahmedabad police officials, also tell a story that the Sabarmati Express massacre was not a premeditated ambush.
- On the other hand, all reports to date clearly indicate that the communal carnage in Gujarat following the Godhra tragedy is terrorism: The attacks on Muslims were well-planned, they were incited and carried out by identifiable groups (the VHP and Bajrang Dal), and encouraged by the state machinery controlled by the BJP - Violence as a product of deliberate strategy; the attacks were carried out in a dramatic way to attract publicity and create an atmosphere of alarm among Muslims far beyond the actual victims - Violence as theater. The very definitions of terrorism

MYTH 5: Hindus and Muslims cannot live together in peace. Riots are the natural outcome of simmering tensions.

Fact: Hindus and Muslims for the most part live together peacefully. Communal tensions have been actively stoked by some groups leading to riots.

- Villages which account for 2/3rd of Indian population have had less than 4% communal riot related deaths. According to Prof Ashutosh Varshney, 50% of riot deaths since 1960 have happened in eight cities which hold only 6% of India's population. Another 45% of riot -related deaths have occurred in other urban centers.
- Communal forces use terror and threats to actively divide the communities. When Hindus tried to support their Muslim neighbours during the killings in Gujarat, the VHP & Bajrang Dal goons targeted them also. The case of Professor Bandookwala, a well known academician from Vadodara is well-documented. An organized mob attacked him in his house in a predominantly Hindu locality, and his car was set on fire. He and his daughter were sheltered by their Hindu neighbors, who in turn were attacked on the second day for protecting him. (NDTV Interview)

IAM News

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Summer 2002

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Upcoming Events

"Yaadon Ki Baraat"	July 13, 2002
AID Pilgrims of Peace	July 27, 2002
IAM Annual Picnic	Aug. 25, 2002
MIEF Awareness Day	Sept. 8, 2002



From the President's Desk

Ashoke Mandal

Greetings to all our members and the readers of this Newsletter. We started the year with the successful Annual Dinner held in February at the Airport Marriott Hotel. With nearly 170 people attending, this year's attendance was higher than in any previous year. US Senator Paul Wellstone was the Chief Guest and Mayor Randy Kelly of Saint Paul was the Keynote speaker. State Senator Satveer Chaudhary also addressed the audience. This year's IAM Achievement award was presented to Dr. Fred de Sam Lazaro, whom we see on our public TV. I welcome all the new members, who have signed up at the Annual Dinner and thank those who have renewed their memberships.

IAM addressed the issue of South Asian Language Literature at the University of Minnesota by writing a letter to the Dean at the University as Department of Asian Language and Literature at the University did not include anyone with expertise South Asian Languages. We have received a positive response from the Dean. Minnesota Indo-American Education Forum (MIEF) has been formed with the primary objective of educating the policy makers, media organizations, and community at large on India related issues. We had a very successful Festival of Nations this year. In Cafe we had a record sale. Cultural Exhibits were wonderful and the dance and music programs were excellent. The bazaar had a large collection of Indian handicrafts and jewelry. Participation of youth volunteers was higher than previous years. Music JAM session is being held regularly with very good attendance. Thanks to Preeti Mathur and Bankim Desai for coordinating volunteer services for the soup kitchen.

I had the opportunity to attend the 55+ meeting on May 04, 2002. The members were very excited to get an update on IAM activities. Sudhanshu Mishra, the coordinator of this group has promised to come to our board meeting on a regular basis. PIC had their picnic recently. We are planning to hold a youth dance program sometimes in September. Our next history project is to build the history of IAM for last 30 years. Our next big event is Independence Day Picnic on August 25, 2002 at the Snail Lake Park.

I would like to thank each individual, who has helped IAM in conducting these successful events during the first half of the year. I would request all non-members to join IAM and request you all to participate actively in all IAM activities. You are also welcome to our board meeting, which is held on second Wednesday of every month. For more details, please visit our web site www.iamn.org or send me an email at ashoke_mandal@hotmail.com.



Annual Dinner - Sarjit Bains

The India Association of Minnesota (IAM) held the Annual Dinner for the year 2002 at the Airport Marriott Hotel (Bloomington, Minnesota) in February. The event was a resounding success, with record attendance representing a wide cross-section of the Indian and non-Indian communities. This year's Annual Dinner was attended by a few political leaders: our own state Senator Satveer Chaudhary, his former colleague Randy Kelly, who recently left the Minnesota Senate to become the Mayor of St. Paul, as well as, US senator Paul Wellstone. Senator Wellstone was the chief guest and Mayor Kelly was the Keynote Speaker at the event. Senator Chaudhary is the youngest Senator in Minnesota and the only Asian Indian to hold such office in the nation. IAM President Ashoke Mandal, briefly reviewed the history & civic contributions of IAM, the umbrella organization representing the approximately 18,000 people of Indian origin who call Minnesota their home. He emphasized particularly the role of IAM in bringing together all members of the Indian community, and its responsibility for building bridges to the broader host community, especially in the wake of the September 11th tragedy.



Mrs. Wellstone; Sen. Wellstone; Ashoke Mandal; Aparna Mandal; Vipin Gopal; Bruce Corrie; Laxman Sundae; Sarjit Bains and Rabinder Bains (Clockwise from L to R).

In his speech, Senator Wellstone noted that the economic and professional success of the Indian community; their work ethic and their values of family commitment were admired and appreciated by the entire nation. However, there was one area where he felt that the community could and should make much more of an impact – the domestic politics and policy-making in the United States. He believed that such participation would strengthen both the Indian community and the democratic process in the nation – adding richness to the national debate as a natural consequence of the international perspectives inherent in this community.

During his introduction of the Keynote Speaker, Senator Chaudhary echoed the sentiments of Senator Wellstone in calling for the Indian community to participate in all aspects of American life, including politics. Senator Chaudhary also brought home the close connection between the war in Afghanistan and the local Indian community. He spoke with pride of his elder brother who was currently on active duty at the front line,

as a pilot in the US Air Force – a pride tinged with affectionate concern for his brother's safety.

Mayor Randy Kelly had previously spoken at a multi-faith prayer ceremony organized by the IAM and held in November 2001 at the state capitol to honor the victims of the September 11 tragedy. At the Annual Dinner Mayor Kelly complimented the Indian community for their efforts in raising relief funds for the tragedy and noted that he appreciated the prayers from the diverse Indian groups. He noted that the Indian community is an important and integral part of Minnesotan society, and he hoped that members of this community would continue to participate in the economic development of St. Paul and sustain its vitality.



IAM Board Members with Saint Paul Mayor Randy Kelly; Rep. Chaudhary and Dr. Lazaro.

Following the Keynote address, Mr. Mandal presented the 2002 IAM Achievement Award to Dr. Fred de Sam Lazaro, for significant achievements in both community and professional affairs. Dr. Lazaro, currently an Executive Producer at Twin Cities Public TV, has produced many award-winning documentaries, which can often be seen on the national PBS network. He is also the recipient of an Honorary Doctorate from St. John's University in Minnesota for his timely and in-depth reports on the AIDS epidemic in Africa and India.

The Vice-President of IAM, Deepshikha Gupta, presided over the closing ceremony with a vote of thanks.



Festival of Nations - Rita Mohapatra

Six months of hard work for the Festival of Nations ended in four days of extravaganza and fanfare on April 28, 02 at the River Center. More than 90 nations



Cultural Event Participants

participated in this event. As usual, India Association of Minnesota (IAM) took active part in all the four events: Café, Exhibit Booth, Adult and Children's cultural programs and the Bazaar. The café ran smoothly through the catering services of Barbara Rajan. As the Café Chair, Sunder Rajan coordinated the café activities. This

RULES AND REGULATIONS COVERING USE OF SPACE WITHIN LANDMARK CENTER

The rules and regulations set forth on this page are hereby incorporated as part of the Rental Agreement. All rates are subject to change without notice. Contact Landmark Center Events Office for current rates.

I. REGULATIONS COVERING THE USE OF LANDMARK CENTER

- A. **COUNTY, CITY, STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS.** The Renting Organization/Individual in conducting any performance or public or private meeting or in giving any lecture, concert, or other event shall conform to, comply with and abide by all laws of the United States and the State of Minnesota, the rules and regulations of all Federal and State Boards and Bureaus, the ordinances of Ramsey County, the City of St. Paul, and the regulations of the Fire Departments, Board of Health, and Police Departments.
- B. **CHARGES.**
- I. **BASIC RENTAL CHARGES.** The basic rental charge shall include use of Landmark Center facilities as specified in the Rental Agreement - heated, cooled, lighted, cleaned and a building security guard. When Auditorium is used, the rental fee includes a technician.
- II. **ADDITIONAL CHARGES.** Any equipment and/or services provided beyond the list of items above shall be charged to the Renting Organization/Individual at the rates quoted by the Events Office at the time these requests are made. These charges are in addition to the rental fee listed on the Rental Agreement. Such equipment and/or services may include the following:
- a. **Additional Security Personnel.** Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. reserves the right to require additional Security personnel for any event. The Events Office will determine the amount of additional security required, and all fees are to be paid by the Renting Organization/Individual.
- b. **Audio/Visual Equipment.** If your event requires audio/visual equipment, you will be assessed the charges for the rental of the equipment.
- c. **Additional Wages.** If your event requires Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. building personnel to execute set up changes during your event, to set up renter provided furniture, or make changes to the completed set up before your event, you will be assessed an hourly fee for services of building personnel.
- C. **PAYMENT.** The Renting Organization/Individual agrees that all charges will be paid to Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. as agreed upon in the Rental Agreement. Charges billed upon completion of the event are payable within 30 days of date of invoice.
- D. **LIQUOR POLICY.** Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. is the sole license holder for Landmark Center. All alcohol-related products and services are required to be provided by Landmark Center Beverage Service. There will be a fee assessed for this service. Management reserves the right to refuse service to guests who are or seem to be intoxicated.
- E. **CATERING.** Any catering in Landmark Center must be provided by an Organization/Individual approved by the Events Office at Landmark Center. All caterers will abide by a special set of housekeeping rules and regulations. Caterers are assessed a fee for catering in Landmark Center. Renters can expect to have that fee incorporated in their bid. Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. reserves the right to refuse catering privileges to a caterer who fails to abide by Landmark Center guidelines. No food or drink may be served in or around the Auditorium or support areas except by special permission from Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. Pretzels and Popcorn are not allowed.
- F. **DECORATIONS.** All decorations must be approved two weeks in advance of any function. Landmark Center prohibits the following items for decorating uses:
1. Tape, nails, tacks, screws, or any other adhesive, or means of attachment.
 2. Confetti and/or glitter. This includes table decorations and confetti "cannons"
 3. No items of any kind, including strings of electrical lights, can be placed in indoor trees.
 4. Balloons cannot be weighted down with sand, kitty litter, dirt, gravel, etc.
- Four hours of set up time is allowed for Renting Organization/Individual to decorate. If additional time is required there will be an hourly charge. All decorations must be put up without defacing the building. No ladders will be provided by Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. to Renting Organization/Individual. Decorations must meet fire code regulations. Candles must be glass enclosed. Candles are not allowed on balcony ledges. No electrical circuits may be altered. Nothing may be installed or attached to the Auditorium stage, or any floor surface without written permission from the Events Office.
- G. **DAMAGE.** Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. reserves the right to require a damage deposit for the use of space in Landmark Center. If damages are incurred, the Renting Organization/Individual agrees to fully reimburse Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. upon demand. This includes any and all damages to, including the loss of, the building, furniture, equipment, fixtures, grounds, or any other property, real or personal, owned, used or operated by Minnesota Landmarks, Inc., due to any act or omission of the members, representatives, employees, patrons, invitees or guests of the Renting Organization/Individual. If a damage deposit is required, it will be requested at the time of booking. If no damages are incurred, the deposit will be refunded within 30 days of the event.
- H. **INDEMNIFICATION, HOLD HARMLESS AND DEFENSE.** The Renting Organization/Individual agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. and Ramsey County, their representatives, agents, employees, successors and assigns, from and against any and all actions or causes of actions, claims, demands, liabilities, loss, damage, and/or expense of whatever kind and nature (including attorneys' fees) which Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. or Ramsey County may sustain or incur, arising out of any acts or omissions on the part of the Renting Organization/Individual, or its representatives, agents, employees or guests in relation to the Renting Organization/Individual use of the Landmark Center under the terms of the Rental Agreement, except any claims, damages, actions, causes of action and liability arising out of or connected with the sale of alcoholic beverages on said premises.
- I. **WAIVER OF SUBROGATION.** The Renting Organization/Individual waives any right of subrogation against Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. and Ramsey County to the extent of the insurance coverage carried by said Renting Organization/Individual.
- J. Short term renters and tenants may not subcontract any space in Landmark Center.
- K. Minnesota Landmarks reserves the right to cancel any event.
- L. Event times cannot be changed until approved by the Events Office.

II. ADDITIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

- A. **CONCESSIONS.** The Renting Organization/Individual shall not sell, serve or allow cigarettes, cigars, beverages, liquor, food, gum and refreshments of any kind to be sold, brought into or served upon the premises except as permitted by Minnesota Landmarks. All concessions must be approved in writing by Minnesota Landmarks.
- B. **CONDUCT.** The Renting Organization/Individual is responsible for the conduct of its guests, representatives, casts and workers while in Landmark Center.
- C. **PHOTOGRAPHY.** No photographs may be taken during a paid admission event at any time. They may be taken before or after a performance. In the case of some lectures and group meetings, press pictures may be taken during the event if the participants have agreed and prior arrangements have been made.
- D. **BROADCASTS.** All broadcasts, telecasts, tape recorders, films, etc., in Landmark Center shall have prior written consent from the participants and Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. A duplicate of the original of such executed consent shall be given to Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. prior to the event. If consent is given, the Renting Organization/Individual shall furnish and install all equipment necessary for the broadcast and for the control booth other than that furnished by Minnesota Landmarks, Inc.
- E. Landmark Center operating personnel shall be determined by the Executive Director of Minnesota Landmarks.
- F. **SPECIAL SET UPS.** Special set up shall be done at the Renting Organization's/Individual's expense, under the supervision of and subject to the approval of Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. and shall be furnished and paid for by the Renting Organization/Individual.
- G. **PIANO.** A Piano owned by Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. may be provided for use in the Cortile. Special tuning requested by the Renting Organization/Individual will be billed to the Renting Organization/Individual. Minnesota Landmarks will designate the piano tuner.
- H. **CLEAN UP.** The Renting Organization/Individual shall clear all areas after final performances/uses, unless permission is given for a longer storage period. Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. is not responsible for any items left beyond the contracted rental period. The Renting Organization/Individual shall also leave all areas in a reasonably clean and orderly condition at the end of the term of this agreement. If other areas are not cleared and/or cleaned within an applicable period, Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. will employ a crew for this purpose and bill the Renting Organization/Individual.
- I. **LIGHT, HEAT, WATER AND VENTILATION.** Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. shall furnish light, heat, water and ventilation, but any special lights or lighting fixtures other than those in ordinary usage shall be provided and paid for by the Renting Organization/Individual.
- J. **FIRE INSURANCE.** The Renting Organization/Individual shall not transact or allow the transaction of any business on the premises or keep thereon anything that will increase the rate of fire insurance on the building or conflict with the provisions of the insurance policies on the building or any part thereof.
- K. **CANCELLATION.** The Renting Organization/Individual agrees and understands that, in the event of cancellation, one hundred eighty (180) days notice must be given in order for both deposits (rental and damage) to be returned, minus a processing fee. If less than one hundred eighty (180) days notice is given, the Damage Deposit will be returned, however, all Rental Payments will be retained by Minnesota Landmarks, Inc.
- L. **TOURS.** The Renting Organization/Individual agrees and understands that it will allow Landmark Center tours to look into meeting rooms (not enter) for a brief period.
- M. **LOADING - UNLOADING.** Any and all equipment must be brought in through the Loading Dock, located on the North-West corner of Landmark Center. Parking is allowed on the Loading Dock for this purpose only. Vehicles must be moved when Loading - Unloading is complete. Vehicles will be towed at Renters expense, if parked in Loading area or in assigned parking spaces.

The Renting Organization/Individual understands and agrees that this Agreement is made subject to all rules and regulations of Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. and will conform to said rules and regulations and be bound thereby. No provisions of these rules and regulations may be waived except in special cases and for good cause shown and then only by written memorandum attached to the rental agreement and signed by the Event Services Manager or Executive Director of Minnesota Landmarks, Inc.

I have read and understand the Rules & Regulations covering use of space within Landmark Center

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Jun 23, 2004
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year, we had increasing café participation by many youth volunteers. This year's Exhibit theme was "Global Homes and Gathering Places".

Chitra Subrahmanian, the Exhibit Chair with many volunteers from SILC made a realistic depiction of a village gathering place in our Exhibit booth. Rabinder Bains chaired the adult and children's dance programs at the Festival. Iqbal Ahmed coordinated the Bazaar event. Magan Aggarwal, owner of India Bazaar presented a large collection of Indian handicraft and jewelry.



Indian Exhibits

Being the first time IAM board member and the General Chair of such a large event, my job of coordinating the activities was possible only through the hard work and support by a dedicated group of event chairs and the volunteers.



Volunteers at the Indian Cafe.

On behalf of the IAM, I would like to thank the following chairs and volunteers for their hard work and participation at the Festival of nations:

Chair, Café: Sunder Rajan

Chair, Exhibit Booth: Chitra Subrahmanian

Chair, Cultural Programs (Adult & kids): Rabinder Bains

Chair, Bazaar Booth: Iqbal Ahmed



IAM History Project

- Godan Nambudiripad

During the summer of 1991 we saw a traveling display of Asian Immigrants to Minnesota, which was borrowed from the Minnesota Historical Society (MHS). Since India was not represented, the MHS was approached and after discussions with them, we were advised that oral history would be very important. The MHS provided the necessary training and the Board of the India Club (predecessor to IAM), especially Rahim Rahiman who made the initial contacts with the MHS. Ram Gada, Ella Baldwin and Polly Sonifer were some of the people who attended many meetings.

In 1994, Godan Nambudiripad got a grant of \$500 and soon Polly Sonifer got a grant from the Historical Society. Thus, we started the effort of writing the Oral

History in 1994. During 1994-95 Polly Sonifer interviewed 19 people that yielded 16 narrations. In September 1996 we had a special celebration to mark the completion of this series and the Consul General of India at Chicago, Mr. K. R. Sinha, also attended this event.

We are in the process of completing another series, which include the short time computer professionals, and people who live out state, away from the Twin Cities. Their experience is different from the professionals and businessmen who first came here in the late 60's and early 70's.

The youth project was funded mainly by money raised from the public by the History Committee. One major donor was the Hindu Society with a grant of \$500. IAM pledged \$750 and the remainder was small donations from the public. IAM received a grant of \$2000 from the MHS for the next phase of our project for which IAM also committed \$500. We also used another interviewer, Diana Kenny for this Phase 3 project, which has now been completed.

Besides all the people who volunteered to be the narrators and the History Committee of IAM, the very committed effort of Polly Sonifer over the years and now Diana Kenny; and help, encouragement and counsel of Jim Fogerty, grants from the Pillsbury Company, the MHS, donation from the Hindu Society are all the factors that has made this project possible. Rahim Rahiman for initial contacts with the Minnesota Historical Society, Ella Baldwin in helping compile the initial list of questions and Preeti Mathur for publicity all have contributed.

It is planned to celebrate SILC and Phase 3 of Oral History and donation of these to MHS in October 2002.



This Year @ SILC

- Raj Menon, Principal

Wow - that was some year or what! School of India Language and Culture (SILC) completed 10 years at Como Senior High School this year! The SILC family flourished in the 2001-2002 season, despite 9/11 and in the face of worsening economic conditions.

This year we had 82 registrations and it was the highest in past several years. Kudos for this high enrollment goes to SILC Publicity Committee, led by Siddhartha Chadda, Kiyomi Talaulicar and Sunil Menon. SILC saw some influx of funds this year that helped us. Special thanks go out to Shanti Shah, our sponsor at the American Express. Thanks to IAM for its generous grant of \$600 in May 2001. We also raised funds from the SILC Mela-cum-Silent Auction on December 15th 2001. Our thanks go to Rita Williams and other contributors, who are too numerous to name here. We also introduced the traditional way of singing *VANDAY MATARAM*, thanks to Sandhya Joshi for preparing 15 copies of this new way of singing and sharing the tapes with the SILC community. Our new website is developing and thanks to Meera Ravichandran for her untiring efforts and also for conducting Hindi Adult classes! Sunil Menon is helping her in this venture and we expect to unveil the website before the FALL session commences.



Sitting: Vishnu, Krishna, Achint, Sruti, Aditi, Ishita, Vishnu, Raj, and Suresh
Row 1: Archana, Leena, Souparnika, Stevie, Akshay, Anita, Raja, and Sarjit
Row 2: Nandan, Gayatri, Sonya, Renita, Malavika, Sitara, Shruti, Jamie, Aarabhi, Mary-Kate, and Yuvi
Row 3: Vani, Tara, Maulika, Seema, Ishu, Rohini, Anjali, Ashmika, and Arjun
Row 4: Varsha, Sandhya, Anjali, Parveen, Maya, Ritika, Keshav, Rajan, Ajay, and Angad
Row 5: Rajinder, Tina, Arvind, Pardeep, Rohun, Suresh, Deepak, Tanvinder, Aishwarya, Smitha, Savithry, Amarita, Anjali, Ani, Gopal, Ravi, Meera, Sunil

SILC saw several initiatives take off this year and had moderate to unexpectedly good results in these areas.

Weekly Mailings Initiative: To keep in close touch with all the families, especially once that drop off kids outside school doors and vanish - we started sending one mail a week to all those who signed up. The mailings went to families of SILC members - with updates of past week and schedule of events for the immediate future.

Curriculum Initiative: The process of developing a formal curriculum, started last summer, is slowly being moved back onto the school radar. Two teams are working on the Language and Social Studies Curriculum at this time. We expect to see visible results in the classes starting next year.

SAP Initiative: We called on old hand - Anoop Mathur to help kick start SAP this year, along with current board members Sunil Menon & Pardeep Takhar. After a rousing start, Sunil has been chaperoning the SAP team through the past few months very ably. He is well supported by the Indian Students Association, led by Nirav Vora and Ashwin Ravichandran. Some of the projects executed by the SAP teams are:

- Weakest Link Program at Aksharotsav
- Introduced SILC SAP Students to traditional Indian Sports like Kabbadi, Kho-Kho and recently Cricket.
- Documenting, "A Day at SILC" and so on

The SILC Newsletter Initiative & Outreach:

One of the outcomes of the SAP program was the "New" and "Improved" version of the SILC newsletter. The newsletter, with a four member Ed. Board - Amar, Amarita, Ruby and Ani. Yours Truly also contributes as a facilitator. The newsletter covers a wide spectrum of interesting subjects. Some of the topics are - Stories from India (Akbar-Birbal, Panchatantra, etc), Monuments of India (Bahai temple, Rameshwaram, etc), India Quiz, Genius of Ancient Indian Civilization, and *The SILC Road* - Pieces from SILC history (Thanks to Preeti Mathur for anchoring this difficult piece); India based puzzles & riddles and more. SILC students edit the Newsletter with one of the parents acting as the facilitator.

We at SILC are looking forward to an equally fun-filled and exciting year ahead.



55 Plus Group

- Sudhansu Misra

The 55 Plus Group is an organization for the retired and senior members of our community. It has been in existence since 1993. Members of this group meet socially to participate in activities of general interest, which includes speakers, food, music, games, picnics, out of town trips etc. The group is open to all without religious, ethnic or other sectarian association. People have found their individuality without being known as somebody's father or mother. The peer group gives a lot of pleasure and satisfaction. The India Association serves as an umbrella organization and our members are encouraged to be members of India association.



IAM Cultural Meets

- Subhabrata Ganguli

The India Association of Minnesota has been actively involved in organizing monthly cultural meets since January 2002. The main idea of the IAM cultural meets is to provide a common platform where musicians and artists interested in Indian arts & culture can get together on a regular basis. One of the most attractive part of these events is the diversity of the performance. We have had music-sessions ranging from Carnatic classical recitals to Hindi gazals and film songs to light folk music. Probably the best part is that it's all free. The increasing attendance is a sure sign of the growing success and popularity of this event. The events are usually held at the Como Housing, Party Room, 1024 27th Avenue SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414 on Saturdays. Our first main event of this year will be "Yaadon Ki Baraat - A tribute to R.D.Burman" on **July 13, 2002** at the St. Paul Student Center Theater. For tickets contact: Patel Groceries or Bollywood Imports. For more information contact Subhabrata Ganguli at s_ganguli@hotmail.com or call 612-379-0736.



ISA Update

- Ashwin Ravichandran

India Students Association (ISA) has had a very successful 2001-2002 school year. Our annual school welcome activities for incoming and continuing Indian students kicked off the year, and led into successful Diwali and Holi shows. The participants not only included University of Minnesota students, but also students from all around the Twin Cities area. ISA also started an excellent mentoring program with the teenagers who attend the School of Indian Language and Culture (SILC). Our basic idea is to let the kids know it's cool to be Indian, and try to integrate aspects of both Indian and western culture. Our biggest project of the year was putting together a parody of "The Weakest Link" for the AID-MN annual fundraiser. Each student picked a famous figure from India to represent in our version of the game show - "Kamzore Kadi Kaun."



ISA Members at Aksharotsav

Other activities included teaching the kids how to play 'Kabadi', 'Kho Kho', and cricket. We expect to continue these programs and foster new relationships and ideas that would be of interest to the Indian students. For details contact: ashwin226@hotmail.com.



AID MINNESOTA

- Sudha Nagavarapu

AID-MN's annual event, 'Aksharotsav' was held on February 16th, 2002 and drew an audience of 250. As part of our efforts in highlighting developmental and social issues in India, interactive sessions with activists have been organized - among recent visitors to the Twin Cities were Rajendra Prasad (watershed development), Anand Patwardhan (filmmaker) and Biju Mathews (journalist).

In response to the communal violence in Gujarat, AID hosted discussions that not only condemned the violence, but also put recent events in perspective to enhance our understanding of the issues. Constructive actions for the local South Asian community were discussed. One of these was 'Pilgrims of peace', a family fun fair to be held on July 27th. The event is being organized with the idea of bringing communities together across cultural boundaries in a fun-filled atmosphere. For more information contact: sudhanagavarapu@yahoo.com



Parents of Indian Children (PIC)

- Karla Melvin

PIC is an organization of adoptive parents who have joined together to share the joys of adopting from India. We are a nonprofit group formed to build a strong community for our Asian Indian children. Our membership of more than 150 families includes children who have joined us from Delhi, Calcutta, Bangalore, Kerala, Patna, Bombay, and many other areas of India. Families waiting for referral or arrival are also welcome.

PIC plans regular activities that offer opportunities to learn about Indian culture and to enjoy companionship with other families. Here is some of what your family can enjoy each year:

- Culture Camp provides our children a chance to learn about the language, geography, games, dance, crafts and other elements of their birth country and people.

- Social Events like the annual Spring Picnic in May, a November Holiday Party and the Winter Hotel Overnight bring families together for fun and camaraderie.
- Workshops on cultural, medical, social and education issues that can affect our children.
- Links to the local Indian community, via PIC's representative on the IAM Board of Directors and connections to local groups.
- Newsletter and E-mail announcements keep members up to date on PIC.
- Member Directory with photos addresses and phone numbers helps to keep members in touch.
- Friendship and Support. Our members find lasting connections with other families who celebrate the joy of adopting from India.



MIEF

- Bhavesh Damania

Minnesota Indo-American Education Forum (MIEF) is an organization comprising of Asian Indians in the state of Minnesota that brings issues and topics of interest from the community to the policy makers and news/media organization. Over the last six months MIEF has met with US policy makers and their staff and made presentation on History and Issues of the state of Jammu & Kashmir. MIEF has also been working with the news and media organizations and has prepared a media kit. As part of it's ongoing efforts it has organized "An Awareness Day" on September 8, 2002 for the Indian Community in which it will conduct panel discussions and have keynote speakers talk about a) U.S.A and India: Natural Allies of the 21st Century and b) Terrorism in South-Asia and it's impact on US. Contact **Laxman Sundae at (651) 423-5379 for more details.**



Tailpiece

During the next few months, a number of community events are being organized in the Twin-cities area and these include the musical night "Yaadon ki Baraat" on July 13, 2002 (Contact: 612-379-0736); "Pilgrims of Peace" on July 27, 2002 (Contact: 612-578-7721); IAM Annual "Independence Day Picnic" on August 25, 2002 (Contact: 651-483-0793) and "Awareness Day" on September 8, 2002 (Contact: 651-423-5379).

Remember to listen to Sangam (Music and information from India), Hosted by Sarjit and Mukhtar on Mondays 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm on KFAI, 90.3 and 106.7 FM, Minneapolis - St. Paul.

Essays on "My Impressions of India" (500 words or less) are invited from students (under 18 years). The winning essays will be published in our newsletter.

Readers are also requested to submit Articles, Community News and Comments. Submissions can be sent to: iamnewsletter@yahoo.com.

Deadline for all Submissions is **September 1, 2002.**

It's IAM Picnic Time

Come one, come all!

The India Association of Minnesota (IAM) invites you to join in the annual Independence Day Picnic and summer fun.

**When: Sunday, August 25, 2002
12 noon to 5 p.m.**

**Where: Snail Lake Park
Shoreview (see directions below)**

**What: Flag hoisting by the Chief Guest:
Honorable Mike Hatch
Minnesota Attorney General
at 12:45 p.m.**



- ⊗ Door prizes ⊗ Soccer ⊗ Volleyball
- ⊗ Swimming ⊗ Games for kids



Lunch cost: \$5 per adult. Free for children below age 5

For more information, call Preeti at (651) 483-0793 or Shibani at (651) 483-2272.

Visit the IAM Web site: www.iamn.org



Snail Lake Park
4191 Snail Lake Blvd.
Shoreview, MN 55126
Phone: (612) 748-2500

Directions from Rice Street: From I-694, exit at Rice Street and go north. When the road forks (straight to Hodgson Road, right to Rice Street), stay on Hodgson Road. Within two or three blocks, turn left on Snail Lake Blvd. and go about 1 mile. The park is on the right.

Directions from Victoria Street: From I-694, exit at Victoria Street; go north for about 1.5 miles, turn right on Snail Lake Blvd. and follow for a few blocks. The park is on the left.

Directions from 35W: Exit at Hwy. 96 and go east to Snail Lake Blvd. (2nd traffic light after Lexington Avenue). Turn right and continue on Snail Lake Blvd. until you see the park on the right side.

Free entrance to the park. IAM picnic shelter is the largest one on top of the hill.

Snail Lake Regional Park, consisting of 450 acres, is located in the City of Shoreview in the north-central part of Ramsey County. At the center of Snail Lake Regional Park are the swimming beach and picnic area on Snail Lake. This area includes parking lots, boat launch and hike/bike trails.

The park's extensive areas of oak woods, wetlands and grasslands provide habitat for many species of wildlife, including deer, fox, heron, egrets and waterfowl.



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• call Vatsal.

10-12 posters - Smart
- Asia
- Patel
- Bollywood
(Madhuri Sata)

B/W saluicks

posters taste India up!
B/W Denn Groceries
posters Nataraj (Old Mysore)
B/W Pange to In
posters Hindu Mani

(8)

Poster Chitrey - Anethi
poster India Palace
poster Sound of India
B/W Taj Mahal
B/W Gurdwara
B/W Islemni
B/W SILC -
B/W Fest of India - St.

(11)

House of Ind

400 -
1 Curried
12 posters Taste India
St Louis
B/W Plan of India
B/W Rishi's Kitchen

Vatsal.

House of India B/W
13 Greeting Ashram poster
+ flyer. B/W

Aug 19th

India Palace - Woodbury.

+ Kaveri
+ Madras Palace

- Drop Flyers @ Aranth by Friday
- Kumud - call.

200 copies sent

India Association of Minnesota (IAM)

cordially invites you to our

Annual Dinner

on

Sunday, February 18, 2001

at the

Minneapolis Airport Marriott

2020 E. 79th Street, Bloomington, MN 55425

5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Key Note Speaker:

Norm Coleman

Mayor, City of St. Paul

Guest:

Surendra Kumar

Consul General of India, Chicago, Illinois

Also recognizing:

Satveer Chaudhary

State Senator, Minnesota

- check if in color.

- Make 2 files posters.

- 15 posters in color

- Regular color size 10-18

- 200 B/W 8 1/2 x 11 on color paper - orange

sahga 001@tc.umn.edu

My Job:

• Taj Mahal

• SILC

• East-India Spies

• Chutney

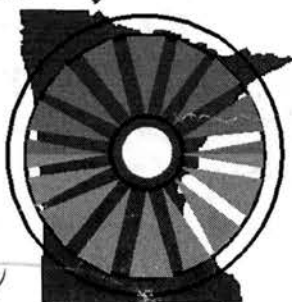
• India Palace

• Jewel of India

- Give Flyers to Ramesh Gurdwar

- Islamic Center

- Veena Khara



Full-course Indian Dinner

Advance Tickets:

\$30 IAM members

\$35 Non-IAM members

\$15 Students (IAM members)

\$20 Other Students

For more information, contact:

Vipin Gopal: 651-604-0476

Vatsal Munshi: 763-566-9175

Ashoke Mandal: 763-478-8163

Dilip Mallick: 763-546-9393

Kumud Sahgal: 952-937-9231

Internet: www.iamn.org

Directions to the Airport Marriott:

From 494: Exit 24th Ave. S.

Go for one block and turn right on 79th St. Hotel Marriott is the third building on right.

Phone: 612-854-7441

▪ All tickets \$5 extra at the door

▪ Make checks payable to IAM

▪ Mail before **Feb. 10, 2001** to:

Dilip Mallick

2701 Brunswick Ave. Apt 105

Crystal, MN 55422

— #

763-519-4192

Festival of Calender.

Twine. Marathon - shld be done by noon.

Publicity for Marathon

Table Cloths.

Publicity — Flyers / postcards
for Exp desk.

MTS lentat.

Marathon — publicity.

set up. — at 9am.

make sure to tell them to come long
then — not last minute.

Cost \$500
And \$

Guard will be there 6:30 p.m.

Bus tables — need help.

Sweep kitchen floor

Other areas — L.H. will do.

centf.
insurance + Xerox - license.

✓ Randy - Sound Technician
will be there.

CD & cassette players
shld be available.

Room for Visa folks.

326

Tables + chairs around
perimeter of rm.

20 mt limit for dock.

Consulate contacted on Mond
Dilipjit Singh will do.

Visa - (Passports NOT)

End of week.

Jan 20th Annual
Meety.

5:30 p.m.

call Iqbal / Pharan.
for Games.

Navinder for
Kamla Suran

W

Vipin will send press release.

INSAM Fax - Vipin will fax all press releases - for.

- Vipin will. Sayam

- Diversity

- Rajeev will contact leaders of Indian org.

- Indira's Team

- local files.

Vatsal Asia imports. — Surge ^{Remind} 10

Consulate: will - Consul.

2 volunteers for visa.

Varghese + Ditiip.

Nov. 10th 12 noon. Election / Annual
Board General.

Check if copies will be available.

put a tag by donat.

Security - issue - call police.

✓ Food: Nataraj.
gwi \$350 advance.
catering license.
policy #

✓ Publicity:
Barne.

- IAM - \$20
reprint cost

- Taxmen can make signs.

- Call Prabhakar & see if she can get barne.

\$ 121. / per col. Newspaper Ad.
\$25.50 / line - Sunday & Friday.

Vipin Copal at Work.

981-~~734~~7236

981-

- Laxman will have the booth for political
- Invite Norm Coleman - as Mayor of St Paul.
- Vipin will invite Satveer Chaudhary.
- ✓ Talk to Betsy. - Notify Police.
Security law enforcement officer.
- ✓ Have on site - blood drive
& Fund Raiser.
- ✓ Games - Caram Board
- Chess.
- Bank
- SBT - Copy.

- INSOM - concerts.

- Bam.

Dileep Mu.
w/ white check. \$750.

Buy to

Shes

- Place Ad in Tribune & Pioneer
Press.

- Flyers in all. restaurants.

- & Hindu Mandir
Suryam Geeta Ashram

Letter w/ flyer. to all leaders
& community.

- M.P.R. - Surya. will contact.

~~Prabha Sharma.~~ - Kinnad will talk
about KARE II.

Diversity Committee. of all
major companies.

Ananth will put an
S Paul Hotel.

Finger hut -

T.W. Marathu.

Dileep will contact Ravi Shankar.

AM: NST

Vandam

Presnt Speech.

Keenud will
make ~~flies~~ ^{flies}.
for prog.

12:30 Dances.

~~1:1 - 1:15~~

~~1:30 - 1:45 Fashion Show.~~

1 - 1:15 Chief

1:15 - 1:25 - Coleman.

~~1:30 - 1:45 Fashion Show.~~

2:30 - 2:50 Dandij Der

3:30 - Prog Ends.

~~##~~ Flyer deadline: Sept 17th.

(Kyon Banega Kopeati -).

~~##~~ Sunday - to contact Mayoral.
candidates. Vipari will contact.
Sundy. Vatsal

Sept 23rd deadline booth.

Vatsal Mundi will contact.

SBI - leave blank application
at entrances.

pay. \$75.

- Asia Imports. - take 2 books.

I AM has insurance

✓ India Palace: } Do not have > \$500
Nataraj. } cater license.

✓ Badi Sundarajan. \$575.

✓ Ashoka. - Kunal will call.
+ tell Udipi.

Ashok + Sujia handle Asia Imp
Booth

- Chief Guest comes later.

- passport renewal - / application

- Dileep will coordinate Visa
Keara Staff
volunteers etc.
set up.

Vendor Booths.
20-25.

\$ 25 non pr
\$ 75 for profit.

Demos. ✓ /

✓ - Rajan Patel / Neena Gade / Deepthi Sonia ✓

- Mrs. Mahant (Bhairvi)

- Julie Mehendi

- (Bindi)

- Sonya: (Kumud)
Aditi (Vatsal)

Chief Guest

② Jim Ramstad: Dem

✓ Mark Dayton
vs

Norm Coleman

① Melie Krause

② Lamkin

③. Vinedo.

④ Vineta Sawkar. — Deepshikha
↓ — Satveer Chaudary.

Vatsal Mundra will contact Satveer.

③ Dr. Ram Rameshwar.
Ambassador.

— Satveer Chaudary.

— Michael Krause: Green Institute.

✓ Mayoral candidates.

What is the purpose?

Prog starts at 12.-12:05

Ananth 1

Vipin

Vijay ✓

Surya ✓

Vatsal ✓ 2

Deep ✓ 3

Kumud ✓ 4

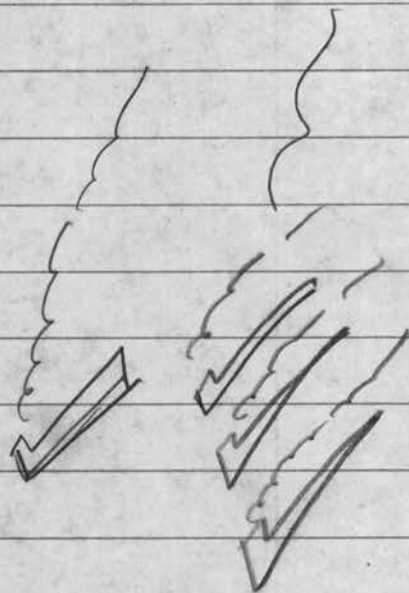
Ashoke ✓

Dilip

(Heeh)

(Govind?)

Stuti
menon



Archana

Jesse Ventura

Mark Dayton - }
Morm Coleman }

Decorations / Set up.

- Flags
- Table Cloths
- Placards / signs
-

Booths / Showcase

- Mehendi
 - Fashion Show
 - Cultural Show - w/ kids
 - Still kids - coloring / writing names.
 -
 - Music Odyssey. - Weyerhaeuser.
- Vendors
↓

- Idli Sambhar / Wada Sambhar

- Tamarind Rice

- Chichen Curry

- Cholle

- Plain Rice

- Naan

Platte

Sprig Murken / Chakuli

Bhel

Chidwa.

~~Wada.~~

Sprig peanuts

Publicity Ideas

Within Indian Community

- India Town
- Groceries stores / Restaurants
- Sangam
- Various Indian org. - temple - G.A.
-

Outside

- Int'l Inst of MN
- Landmark desk.
- Univ. of MN.
- KFAI
- Nsps - St Paul P.
MSP
- Marathon
- Asia Press
- Asia Pacific Council

Posters

To Invite

11-12:00

9-11pm

From
Jyoti
Mallik

Ashoke Mandal

Vasasri

Dilip Ma

Pawan

612-951-7142

Sound system - for Weyerhause
As
Talk to Pawan

- Need People at doors
where people will ~~be~~
enter.

Sanjay
Kiehi

317 - Dancy Room.

Tables & Coat Racks
there.

Nirmala

763-258-1074

show up.
what significance
explain lyrics
what they
what music
forms.

651-739 Garbhas
8108 - Gujarati
Chazal

Pawan

4-5 people

569 - Bengali Sumon
763-0145 Chazal
← Nirmala

(Vijay / Keela - Malayalam)
↳ Fisher Roll.

Marathi - Vamana

↳ Tamil - P. K. S. -
Purandara. ← Carnatic Andhra

651-493-2103

**Festival of India
Kick-off Meeting Agenda
August 29, 2001**

- | | |
|--|-----------------|
| • Date, Time, and Place: | Preeti |
| ▪ Reservations confirmed. | |
| ▪ Review of Meeting with Betsy | |
| • Chief Guest | Vatsal/Vipin |
| • Visa Renewal Services | Vipin/Dilip |
| ▪ Setup | |
| ▪ Volunteers | |
| • Vendor Booths | Vatsal |
| ▪ Contacts | |
| ▪ SBI | |
| ▪ Price/Deadlines/Rules | |
| • Entertainment | Deepshika/Kumud |
| ▪ Program Items | |
| ▪ Program Schedule | |
| ▪ Fashion Show | |
| • Food/Caterer | Ashoke/Vipin |
| • Publicity | Vijay |
| ▪ Within Community | |
| ▪ To General Public (TC Marathon) | |
| ▪ Banners outside Building | |
| • Possible Added Attractions | Preeti |
| ▪ Special Event in Auditorium | |
| ▪ Demos—Mehendi, Saree wrapping, Bindi Children's Coloring | |
| ▪ Dress up--Poloroids | |
| ▪ Costumes of India | |
| ▪ Facts on India | |
| • Admission Tickets | Preeti |
| • Changes in Layout, Setup, Decorations, Cleanup | Preeti |

- Betsy -

- Plastic Table Cloths
Buy some more

- Banner. — may need one.

- Flags are there

- Stage — an
Sound Technician there

- auditorium

1-3 pm

Auditorium

\$350 extra
video

**Festival of India
Planning Meeting Agenda
September 29, 2002**

- **Chief Guest** Dilip/Bankim/ Ashoke
 - Senator Wellstone - **Ashoke**
 - Congresswoman Betty McCollum - **Bankim**
 - Satveer - **Ashoke**
 - Mayor R. T. Ryback - **Bankim**
 - Mayor Randy Kelly - **Dilip**
- Visa Renewal Services Dilip/Bankim
 - Setup
 - Volunteers
 - Hotel (**Bankim**)
- Vendor Booths Vatsal/Bankim/Ashoke/Dilip
 - Contacts
 - Price/Deadlines/Rules
- Entertainment Deepshika/Kumud
 - Program Items; MCs;
 - Program Sheets
 - Fashion Show
- Food/Caterer (**Jewel of India**) Ashoke
- Publicity
 - Within Community
 - To General Public (Press/TV) *channel 4.*
 - Banners outside Building (Preeti/Ananth)
- Possible Added Attractions
 - Demos
 - Mehendi (Confirmed)
 - Saree wrapping (Confirmed)
 - Bindi (????????????????????????????????)
 - Children's Coloring (SILC) —
 - Facts on India *corner*
- Changes in Layout, Setup, Decorations, Cleanup Bankim
- Admission Tickets
 - Entrance Tables and Volunteers (**Dilip/Bankim/Ashoke**)

Facts on India

Bankim to Ashoke's Mandar (Home Address)

*(\$85 - profit.)
(\$35 - non profit)*

- Ragamala
- Surinder (Jewel of India) 612-338-0038
- Veeta Ashram / Kerala
MAIDA — *Ramkrishna / Asha Shama*
Nath Companies
612-578-8888
- Shalika
✓ Nagavaran 612-790-6080 (cell)
\$35 -
✓ INSOM
- Anand / Andy
Bliss 651-690-9957
Katha Dance - Kita Mus...
Left message.

⇒ INSO M →

pick emails

rohit.galati@gemmills.com

(Tom LaVand
851-224-6570

- Hari Ghari))
- Asian

-4331

- Kant @ OSI @ univ.
edu.

- Brijdeep
Bhasin

To Do

✓ Make phone calls

fol
SM
→ Prepare speech
→ acoustic couplet
→ newsletter copies
Flyers at MN History
Center

- send Raj kinnari
email - Festival

- India - Flags
- Tool box
- Banner

- Kum Kum cotton
balls

- send Ashoke Mandal.
she brochure
LSM

Elephant Ears
Request Anita to
buy

- scissors any size
- markers color
- staplers (labels)

be here
- 9:30 am
send Ananthi.
→ facts on India

- Clean Shanti's room

- Apt. Publicity
(Shoreview Apts)

- Mail to Shanti -
Flyer (AAJA)
etc.

RULES AND REGULATIONS COVERING USE OF SPACE WITHIN LANDMARK CENTER

The rules and regulations set forth on this page are hereby incorporated as part of the Rental Agreement. All rates are subject to change without notice. Contact Landmark Center Events Office for current rates.

I. REGULATIONS COVERING THE USE OF LANDMARK CENTER

A. **COUNTY, CITY, STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS.** The Renting Organization/Individual in conducting any performance or public or private meeting or in giving any lecture, concert, or other event shall conform to, comply with and abide by all laws of the United States and the State of Minnesota, the rules and regulations of all Federal and State Boards and Bureaus, the ordinances of Ramsey County, the City of St. Paul, and the regulations of the Fire Departments, Board of Health, and Police Departments.

B. **CHARGES.**

I. BASIC RENTAL CHARGE. The basic rental charge shall include use of Landmark Center facilities as specified in the Rental Agreement - heated, cooled, lighted, cleaned and a building security guard. When Auditorium is used, the rental fee includes a technician.

II. ADDITIONAL CHARGES. Any equipment and/or services which are provided beyond the list of items above shall be charged to the Renting Organization/Individual at the rates quoted by the Events Office at the time these requests are made. These charges are in addition to the rental fee listed on the Rental Agreement. Such equipment and/or services may include the following:

a. Additional Security Personnel. Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. reserves the right to require additional Security personnel for any event. The Events Office will determine the amount of additional security required, and all fees are to be paid by the Renting Organization/Individual.

b. Audio/Visual Equipment. If your event requires audio/visual equipment, you will be assessed the charges for the rental of the equipment.

c. Additional Wages. If your event requires Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. building personnel to execute set-up changes during your event, to set-up renter provided furniture, or make changes to the completed set-up prior to your event, you will be assessed an hourly fee for services of building personnel. If a function should last beyond 1:00 am, a fee will be charged to cover building personnel overtime wages.

C. **PAYMENT.** The Renting Organization/Individual agrees that all charges will be paid to Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. as agreed upon on the Rental Agreements. Charges billed upon completion of event are payable within 30 days of date of invoice.

D. **LIQUOR POLICY.** Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. is the sole license holder for Landmark Center. All alcohol-related product and services are required to be provided by Landmark Center Beverage Service. There will be a fee assessed for this service. Management reserves the right to refuse service to guests who are or seem to be intoxicated.

E. **CATERING.** Any catering in Landmark Center must be provided by an Organization/Individual approved by the Events Office at Landmark Center. All caterers will abide by a special set of housekeeping rules and regulations. Caterers are assessed a fee for catering in Landmark Center. Renters can expect to have that fee incorporated in bid. Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. reserves the right to refuse catering privileges to a caterer who fails to abide by Landmark Center guidelines. No food or drink may be served in or around the Auditorium or support areas except by special permission from Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. Pretzels and Popcorn are not allowed.

F. **DECORATIONS.** All decorations must be approved two weeks in advance of any function. Landmark Center prohibits the following items for decorating uses:

1. Tape, nails, tacks, screws, or any other adhesive, or means of attachment.
2. Confetti and/or glitter.
3. No items of any kind, including strings of electrical lights, can be placed in indoor trees.
4. Balloons cannot be weighted down with sand, kitty litter, dirt, gravel, etc.

Three hours of set up time is allowed for Renting Organization/Individual to decorate. If additional time is required there will be an hourly charge. All decorations must be put up without defacing the building. No ladders will be provided by Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. to Renting Organization/Individual. All decorations must meet fire code regulations. Candles must be glass enclosed. No electrical circuits may be altered. Nothing may be installed or attached to the Auditorium stage, or any floor surface without written permission from the Events Office.

G. **DAMAGE.** Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. reserves the right to require a damage deposit for the use of space in Landmark Center. If damages are incurred, the Renting Organization/Individual agrees to fully reimburse Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. upon demand. This includes any and all damages to, including the loss of, the building, furniture, equipment, fixtures, grounds, or any other property, real or personal, owned, used or operated by Minnesota Landmarks, Inc., due to any act or omission of the members, representatives, employees, patrons, invitee or guests of the Renting Organization Individual. If a damage deposit is required, it will be requested at the time of booking. If no damages are incurred, the deposit will be refunded within 30 days of the event.

H. **INDEMNIFICATION, HOLD HARMLESS AND DEFENSE.** The Renting Organization/Individual agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. and Ramsey County, their representatives, agents, employees, successors and assigns, from and against any and all actions or causes of actions, claims, demands, liabilities, loss, damage, and/or expense of whatever kind and nature (including attorneys' fees) which Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. or Ramsey County may sustain or incur, arising out of any acts or omissions on the part of the Renting Organization Individual, or its representatives, agents, employees or guests in relation to the Renting Organization/Individual use of the Landmark Center under the terms of the Rental Agreement, except any claims, damages, actions, causes of action and liability arising out of or connected with the sale of alcoholic beverages on said premises.

I. **WAIVER OF SUBROGATION.** The Renting Organization/Individual waives any right of subrogation against Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. and Ramsey County to the extent of the insurance coverage carried by said Renting Organization/Individual.

J. Short term renters and tenants may not subcontract any space in Landmark Center.

K. Minnesota Landmarks reserves the right to cancel any event.

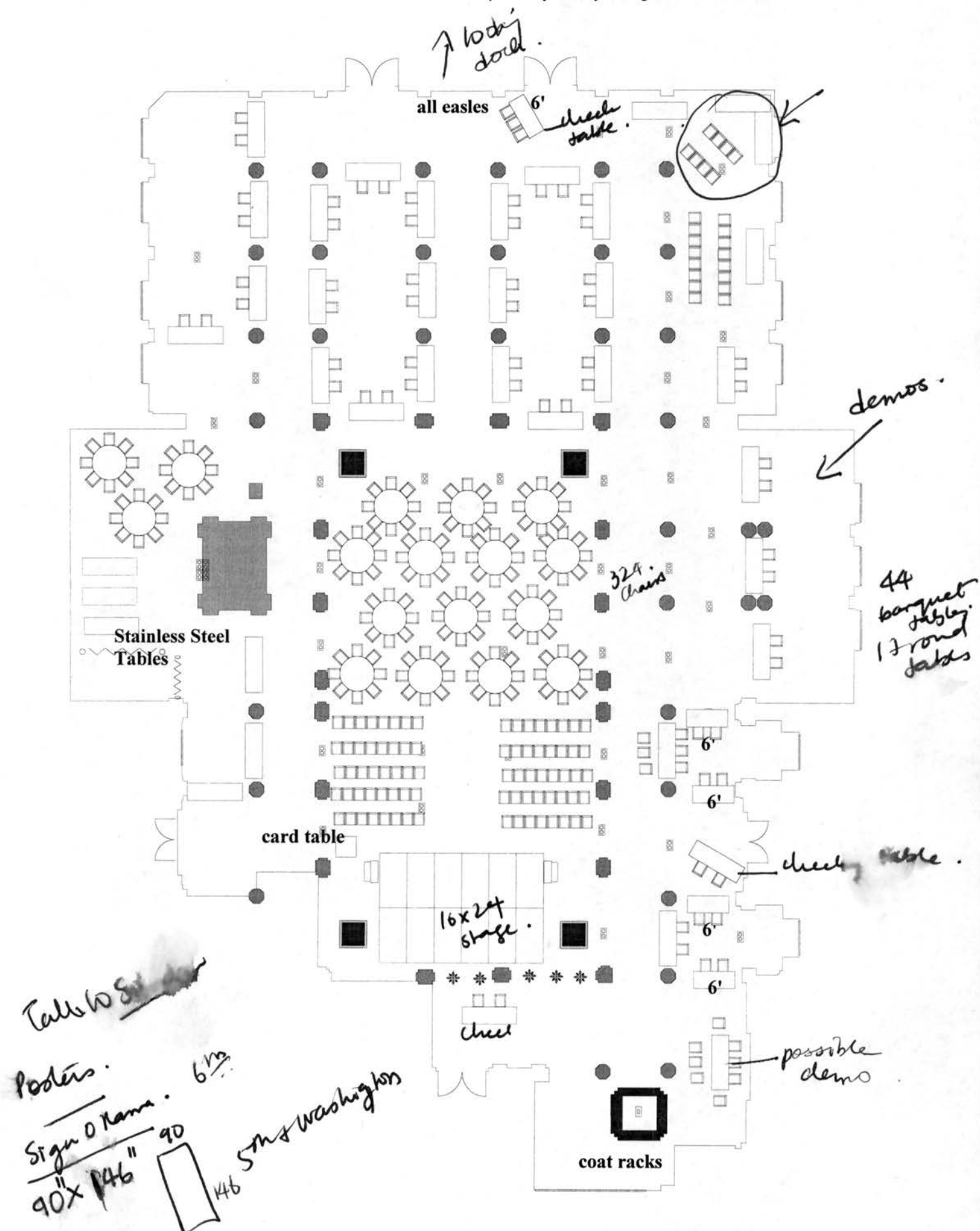
II. ADDITIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

- A. **CONCESSIONS.** The Renting Organization/Individual shall not sell, serve or allow cigarettes, cigars, beverages, liquor, food, gum and refreshments of any kind to be sold, brought into or served upon the premises except as permitted by Minnesota Landmarks. All concessions must be approved in writing by Minnesota Landmarks.
- B. **CONDUCT.** The Renting Organization/Individual is responsible for the conduct of its guests representatives, casts and workers while in Landmark Center.
- C. **PHOTOGRAPHY.** No photographs may be taken during a paid admission event at any time. They may be taken before or after a performance. In the case of some lectures and group meetings, press pictures may be taken during the event if the participants have agreed and prior arrangements have been made.
- D. **BROADCASTS.** All broadcasts, telecasts, tape recorders, films, etc., in Landmark Center shall have prior written consent from the participants and Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. A duplicate of the original of such executed consent shall be given to Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. prior to the event. If consent is given, the Renting Organization/Individual shall furnish and install all equipment necessary for the broadcast and for the control booth other than that furnished by Minnesota Landmarks, Inc.
- E. Landmark Center operating personnel shall be determined by the Executive Director of Minnesota Landmarks.
- F. **SPECIAL SET UPS.** Special set up shall be done at the Renting Organization's/Individual's expense, under the supervision of and subject to the approval of Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. and shall be furnished and paid for by the Renting Organization/Individual.
- G. **PIANO.** A Piano owned by Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. may be provided for use in the Cortile. Special tuning requested by the Renting Organization/Individual will be billed to the Renting Organization/Individual. Minnesota Landmarks will designate the piano tuner.
- H. **CLEAN UP.** The Renting Organization/Individual shall clear all areas after final performances/uses, unless permission is given for a longer storage period. Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. is not responsible for any items left beyond the contracted rental period. The Renting Organization/Individual shall also leave all areas in a reasonably clean and orderly condition at the end of the term of this agreement. If other areas are not cleared and/or cleaned within an applicable period, Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. will employ a crew for this purpose and bill the Renting Organization/Individual.
- I. **LIGHT, HEAT, WATER AND VENTILATION.** Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. shall furnish light, heat, water and ventilation, but any special lights or lighting fixtures other than those in ordinary usage shall be provided and paid for by the Renting Organization/Individual.
- J. **FIRE INSURANCE.** The Renting Organization/Individual shall not transact or allow the transaction of any business on the premises or keep thereon anything which will increase the rate of fire insurance on the building or conflict with the provisions of the insurance policies on the building or any part thereof.
- K. **CANCELLATION.** The Renting Organization/Individual agrees and understands that, in the event of cancellation, one hundred eighty (180) days notice must be given in order for both deposits (rental and damage) to be returned, minus a processing fee. If less than one hundred eighty (180) days notice is given, the Damage Deposit will be returned, however, the Rental Deposit will be retained by Minnesota Landmarks, Inc.
- L. **TOURS.** The Renting Organization/Individual agrees and understands that it will allow Landmark Center tours to look into meeting rooms (not enter) for a brief period.
- M. **LOADING - UNLOADING.** Any and all equipment must be brought in through the Loading Dock, located on the North-West corner of Landmark Center. Parking is allowed on the Loading Dock for this purpose only. Vehicles must be moved when Loading - Unloading is complete. Vehicles will be towed at Renters expense, if parked in Loading area or in assigned parking spaces.

The Renting Organization/Individual understands and agrees that this Agreement is made subject to all rules and regulations of Minnesota Landmarks, Inc. and will conform to said rules and regulations and be bound thereby. No provisions of these rules and regulations may be waived except in special cases and for good cause shown and then only by written memorandum attached to the rental agreement and signed by the Event Services Manager or Executive Director of Minnesota Landmarks, Inc.

Client:
 Location:
 Room: Landmark Center Musser Cortile

Event Name: Festival of India
 Date: Sunday, October 7, 2001
 Time: 12:00 - 5:00pm
 Prepared By: Betsy Lanegran - 651-292-3228



LANDMARK CENTER GENERAL INFORMATION

Owned by Ramsey County and managed by Minnesota Landmarks (a not-for-profit organization), Landmark Center offers a unique atmosphere for all types of events. Please visit Landmark Center for a historical tour, art exhibition, concert, meeting or reception.

RENTAL

Please see the Pricing Information Insert for current room rental rates. We also offer reduced rent for nonprofit organizations on weekdays/nights. Rental prices include the set up and clean up of Landmark Center's tables and chairs (for up to 400 guests). If the guest count requires or client requests additional or speciality tables and chairs, they will be responsible for all rental fees.

PUBLIC SPACE

Landmark Center is a public, multi-use building. The building is open to the public until 5:00 p.m. Monday through Sunday and to 7:30 p.m. Thursdays. If building exclusivity is required, please advise the Event Services Department before booking (entire Building Rental pricing will apply.)

CATERING

There is not an "in-house" caterer at Landmark Center. Any licensed and insured caterer can work in the building. There is a list of suggested caterers, but the client is not required to use one of them. If a caterer has never worked at Landmark, they must tour the space and supply Minnesota Landmarks with copies of their license and insurance. The caterer is responsible for table coverings and skirting, dinnerware, silverware and glassware for tables. Use fees are assessed to each caterer. It is the caterers' responsibility to pay this charge, however, you should expect this fee to be incorporated into your bill. This fee covers trash disposal, special sanitary cleaning and use of the catering preparation space.

BEVERAGE SERVICE

Minnesota Landmarks, as a licensee, is responsible for the administration of sale and service of all alcoholic beverages according to the State of Minnesota liquor statutes. It is policy, therefore, that the Landmark Center Beverage Service supply and service ALL liquor, wine and beer. See the Pricing Information sheets for current drink prices and bar minimums. We do not charge bartender labor fees, unless circumstances require them.

DEPOSITS AND BILLING

Minnesota Landmarks requires deposits for room rental and beverage service. Rental: deposit due upon signing of the contract, balance due four months before the event (this will vary with meetings and small events.)

Beverage Service: deposits are requested two to three weeks before the event. Final billing or refunds will be processed after the event. Checks returned for non-sufficient funds, will be charged a \$20.00 fee.

DECORATIONS

We welcome the decorations of your choice in our facility. To protect the beauty of this historic site, we do have decorating restrictions. Do not tape anything onto a painted surface. All candles must be enclosed in glass. Glitter and/or confetti cannot be thrown in the building or used as table decorations. No lights can be put in the Ficus trees. If balloons bunches are used, they must be weighted with something other than sand. Damage fees will be assessed if these restrictions are not observed. It is the renters' responsibility to inform caterers / decorators of these rules.

STORAGE

There is no storage space available at Landmark Center. Arrangements may be made to leave items over night, at the client's risk.

COAT CHECK

Landmark Center has self-serve coat racks available at no charge. If a coat check service is requested, the client can supply attendants, or we can arrange for attendants at \$17.50 per attendant per hour. Guest count will determine number of necessary attendants.

CEREMONIES

Wedding ceremonies are welcome at Landmark Center. We have a variety of rooms available for ceremonies depending on the number of guests expected. If a "changeover" (striking rows of chairs and placing tables) is required between ceremony and reception, a labor fee will apply. Fees are \$60.00 per crew person. The guest count will determine the crew size.

MUSIC

Bands and DJ's are welcome at Landmark Center. Staging is available if required. All loading and unloading must be done at the Loading Dock on the northwest corner of the building. We advise groups to bring their own carts or moving equipment. There is access to standard 110 and 220 volt, 20 and 30 amp power sources. If more power is needed, arrangements must be made ahead of time to have the Landmark Center electrician tap into it. If the band has a certified electrician, they must show proof of certification, before they are allowed access to tap area. All cords in traffic areas must be taped down. Sound check cannot begin until after 5:00pm weeknights.

DAMAGE/LOSS

Minnesota Landmarks is not responsible for the loss of or damage to any items brought into the building.

LOADING AND UNLOADING

All loading and unloading must be done at the Loading Dock, located on the corner of Washington and 6th Streets (the North-West corner of Landmark Center) Parking is allowed on the Loading Dock for this purpose only. Vehicles must be moved when loading-unloading is complete. Vehicles will be towed at owners expense, if parked for more than twenty minutes in loading area or in assigned parking spaces.

AUDIO VISUAL EQUIPMENT

In-house equipment includes four podiums with microphones, two standing microphones, three flipcharts, one overhead with screen and a VCR-Monitor. Additional Audio Visual equipment is available through an outside source. The Event Services Department is happy to make the arrangements for you. Please call for price quotes.

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The parking meters in downtown St. Paul are free after 4:30 p.m. Monday - Saturday and all day Sunday. There are many parking lots and ramps within two blocks of the building. Average price is \$5.00 per car. Host-paid parking can be arranged for by the client. Landmark Center does not offer valet parking, but we can recommend a local valet service.

OTHERS

Portable staging (4'x8' sections - up to 16'x24') is available with Cortile rental. Pianos are available for an additional charge. Dancefloors must be rented for events in the Courtrooms, but we do not require a dancefloor for the Cortile. Some of the rooms are furnished with antiques. *These are for viewing only.* Please do not sit in them or allow the ivory ribbons to be removed. Outlets are located in the floor in all rooms.

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Please call the Event Service Department at 651-292-3228 or 651-292-4376 with any questions or to receive price quotes.



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Enclosed is your contract for Festival of India. As you can see the room setup fee has been raised. We have not raised this fee in four years. The sheer size of the event and the extent of the set up do warrant this new rate. The regular rental rate is \$125.00 per hour, so you are getting the building for a very reduced rate.

Also, the management staff of Minnesota Landmarks is discussing requiring a damage deposit and additional security guards for the large public events held in the building. I will send you notification regarding this when the policies are set.

If you have any questions about this, please contact me at 651-292-3228.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Betsy Lanegran
Betsy Lanegran
Event Services

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As you plan your event at Landmark Center, we would like to remind you of our decorating and set up restrictions. We have deemed it necessary to charge additional fees for things done in the building that cause damage to the rooms or require additional janitorial/set up staff. Please read and sign the enclosed form. We have included a copy for your records. Also enclosed is a stamped envelope for you to return the form to the Landmark Center Events office.

Tour and theatre
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Also enclosed is our parking and direction map. Please feel free to copy it as needed.

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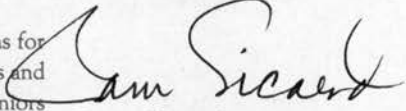
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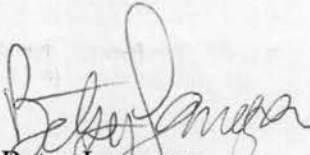
Education programs

Thank you very much.

Programs for
children, families and
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Pam Sicard
Director of Event Services

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celebrations


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Reception and
Banquet facilities

Signs and/or decorations taped to any painted surface (walls & pillars) \$100.00

230-seat auditorium
for seminars,
meetings, recitals,
plays and concerts

Balloon bunches weighed with sand are prohibited \$500.00

Food/beverages brought into the seating area of the Auditorium \$75.00

Tour and theatre
packages for groups

Set up time to begin more than 4 hours before start of event \$200.00
(wedding ceremonies and proms are exempt)

Event planning

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Leonard B. Smith

Oct 4, 99

Client

Event Date

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**Festival of India
Kick-off Meeting Agenda
August 29, 2001**

- Date, Time, and Place: Preeti
 - Reservations confirmed.
 - Review of Meeting with Betsy
- ✓ Chief Guest Vatsal/Vipin
- Visa Renewal Services Vipin/Dilip ✓
 - Setup (4-6) Rm 326 *with table passport renewed.*
 - Volunteers *Tables + chairs around perimeter 1 rm*
- Vendor Booths Vatsal
 - Contacts
 - SBI
 - Price/Deadlines/Rules
- Entertainment *starts at 12.* Deepshika/Kumud
 - Program Items
 - Program Schedule
 - Fashion Show
- Food/Caterer *Kumud will call Ashoke.* Ashoke/Vipin
- Publicity *usual.* Vijay
 - Within Community
 - To General Public (TC Marathon) *— kavi shankar concert — Papers. L. Ucenter front desk.*
 - Banners outside Building
- Possible Added Attractions Preeti / Surya
 - Special Event in Auditorium
 - Demos—Mehendi, Saree wrapping, Bindi Children's Coloring
 - Dress up—Poloroids
 - Costumes of India *Miss + Pachori.*
 - Facts on India
- Admission Tickets *\$*
- Changes in Layout, Setup, Decorations, Cleanup Preeti
 - LSa*
 - 1*

Preeti
Preeti
— Prep
— Banner.
— Table U&Ms.

I AM
check
if SLC can
have
silent auction
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Sept. 8
Vandana sm.

BM.

Entrance P
4 people — Sur
Vidya
8 16 people.

I AM Booth. — Anandh.
Vatsal + Ashoke.
Vendor Booths
except Asta.

3:10pm Malli Arudi

Adult Bhangra folk dance from Punjab, titled "Munde gabroo Punjabee"

performed by:

Ricky Arora
Micky Arora
Ananth Singh
Iqbal Singh
Rajiv Singh
Jaskirat Singh

3:20 Malli Arudi

A dance performed by Simi Sachdeva to the tune of 'Bole Chudiyan' from the film Kabhie Khushi Kabhie Gham

We Are All America: A Multifaith Social Justice Service for Healing, Reconciliation, and Commemoration

- 5:50 p.m. Laos Drummers
- 6:00 p.m. Welcome & "why we are here" by Vineeta Sawkar
(anchor with Channel 5 ~ master of ceremonies) (2 minutes)
- Master of ceremonies says "...to show we are community, please greet an old friend
and meet someone new" (1 minute)
- Opening Prayer ~ Nahid Khan, American Muslim Council – Minnesota Chapter
(1.5 minutes)
- 6:05 p.m. Mayor R.T Rybak, Minneapolis (3 minutes)
- 6:10 p.m. Mayor Randy Kelly, Saint Paul (3 minutes)
- 6:15 p.m. America the Beautiful (verses 1 & 3) ~ with Hazzan Scott Buckner,
Adath Jeshurun Congregation & Rabbi Sim Glaser, Temple Israel (3 minutes)
- 6:20 p.m. Prayers offered by Rabbi Morris Allen, Congregation Beth Jacob &
Rajinder Singh, Sikh Society of Minnesota (3 minutes)
- 6:25 p.m. Former Prime Minister of Somalia, Ali Khalif (3 minutes)
- 6:30 p.m. Pablo Tapia, ISALAH Vice-president (3 minutes)
- Prayers offered by Ahsan Ansari, Islamic Center of Minnesota (1.5 minutes)
- 6:35 p.m. Vineeta Sawkar will introduce Native Wind (2 minutes)
- 6:40 p.m. Prayers offered by Buddhist monks from Cambodia, Laos, Tibet
& Vietnam (3 minutes)
- 6:45 p.m. Dr. Yang Dao, former member of the National Political Council of the
Kingdom of Laos (3 minutes)
- 6:50 p.m. Mahmoud El-Kati, professor Macalester College (3 minutes)
- 6:55 p.m. Prayers offered by Reverend Al Galmon and Father John Estrem (3 minutes)
- Song: TBD with Hazzan Scott Buckner, Adath Jeshurun Congregation &
Rabbi Sim Glaser, Temple Israel (1.5 minutes)
- 7:00 p.m. Minute of silence (1 minute)
End of program

*we'll now observe
minute of silence.*

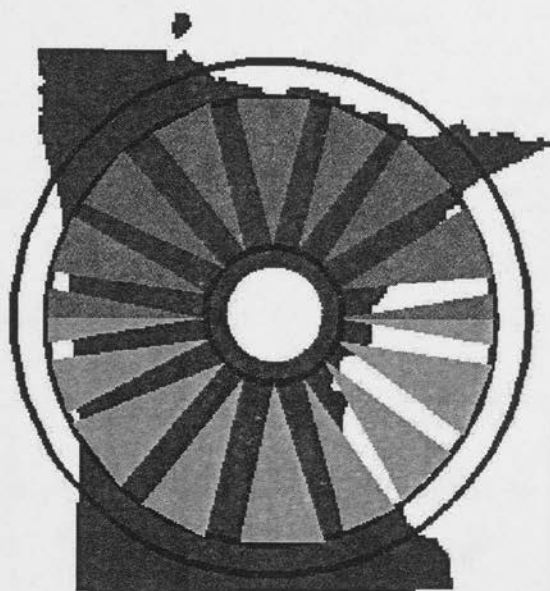
India Association Of India
Presents
Festival of India

Programs	Organizers	Status	Datelines
Entertainment	Deepshikha/Rabinder		9-17-2004
Schedule			
National Anthems			
Welcome/Information			
Gust Speech/Intro			
President's Address			
Music/Dances/Songs			
MC			
Program Brochure	Shalini/Shanghamitra		9-21-2004
Ads	All Board Members		
Schedule	Deepshikha		
Printing	Nitin/Indu		9-23-2004
Publicity	Shivanth		
Flyer	Shalini/Indu/Nitin	Completed	
Flyer Distribution	All Board Members		9-10-2004
Press Release	Dilip	Completed	
Press Release Distribution	Shivanthi/Dilip		9-10-2004
Media Coverage			
Radio Interview	Rabinder/Dilip		
Visa & Passport Setup	Guptan N		9-21-2004
Consulate-Officials			
Arrival & Departure			
Transportation, Accommodation	Rabinder		
Application Forms			
Volunteers			
Food Vendors	Dilip/Nitin		9-10-2004
JOI/Natarej			
Contract Document			9-10-2004
Vendor Booths	Shalini/Shanghamitra		9-17-2004
Registration Forms	Shalini	Completed	
Calling Vendors	Shanghamitra		9-17-2004
Meeting with Landmark	Dilip/Guptan/Partha		9-21-2004
Fees Collections	Nitin/Shalini		9-21-2004
IAM Booth	Rabinder/Shalini/Shanghamitra		
Decorations (Tablecovers)	BHIVA& AID-MN		
Setup/Cleanup			

The India Association of Minnesota (IAM)

Founded in 1973

(A not-for-profit organization)



India Association of Minnesota

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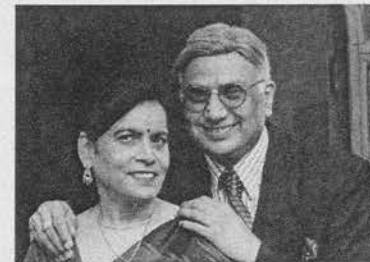
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Community Meeting of Indian Organizations in the Twin Cities

Sandhya Gupta, sandhya@iamn.org

IAM Board Member 2005

This year India Association of Minnesota has started yet another initiative to bring the Indian community together. A quarterly community meeting has been started this year where representatives from all Indian organizations are invited. This has provided a forum for the organizations to interact with each other and to learn about the different organizations present in the Twin Cities.

About 30 different organizations have been represented in these meetings. We have started a dialogue to find out how we can support, coordinate and collaborate with each other to better serve the community needs. The open dialogue between the community organizations has been very fruitful. Quite a few organizations have received exposure to the broader community and have found avenues to work together.

Names of all the organizations who have participated in the meetings are listed below. The IAM website has information about all these organizations at www.iamn.org. IAM quarterly newsletter publishes all the upcoming events in the community. The newsletter showcases at one organization in every newsletter.

If you need more information about these meetings or want to participate in this initiative, please contact: sandhya@iamn.org, (952)-942-6194 or ramona@iamn.org (612)-825-6632.

List of Organizations that have participated in the community meeting so far:

Ragamala Music & Dance Theater: www.ragamala.net - Rancee Ramaswamy
e-mail: info@ragamala.net

Katha Dance Theater: www.kathadance.org - Rita Mustaphi
e-mail: rita@kathadance.org

Sangam Radio Program: Sarjit Bains
email: bain0025@tc.umn.edu

India Music Society of Minnesota (IMSOM) : www.imsom.org - Shivanthi Sathanandan; e-mail: shivanthi@imsom.org

Association for India's Development (AID_MN):
www.tc.umn.edu/~aidmn - Dwijendra Nath Guru; e-mail: aidmn@tc.umn.edu

Network of Indian Professionals (Net_IP) : www.netiptwincities.org/ - Vivek Radia ; e-mail: vivekradia@hotmail.com

Parents of Indian Children (PIC): Deborah McLaren
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SEWA_AIFW: www.sewa-aifw.org/ - Raji Chowdhary
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Gujarati Samaj: www.gujaratisamajmn.org - Jayshree Patel
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MN Malayalee Association: www.mnmalayalee.org - Tom Puthukulam
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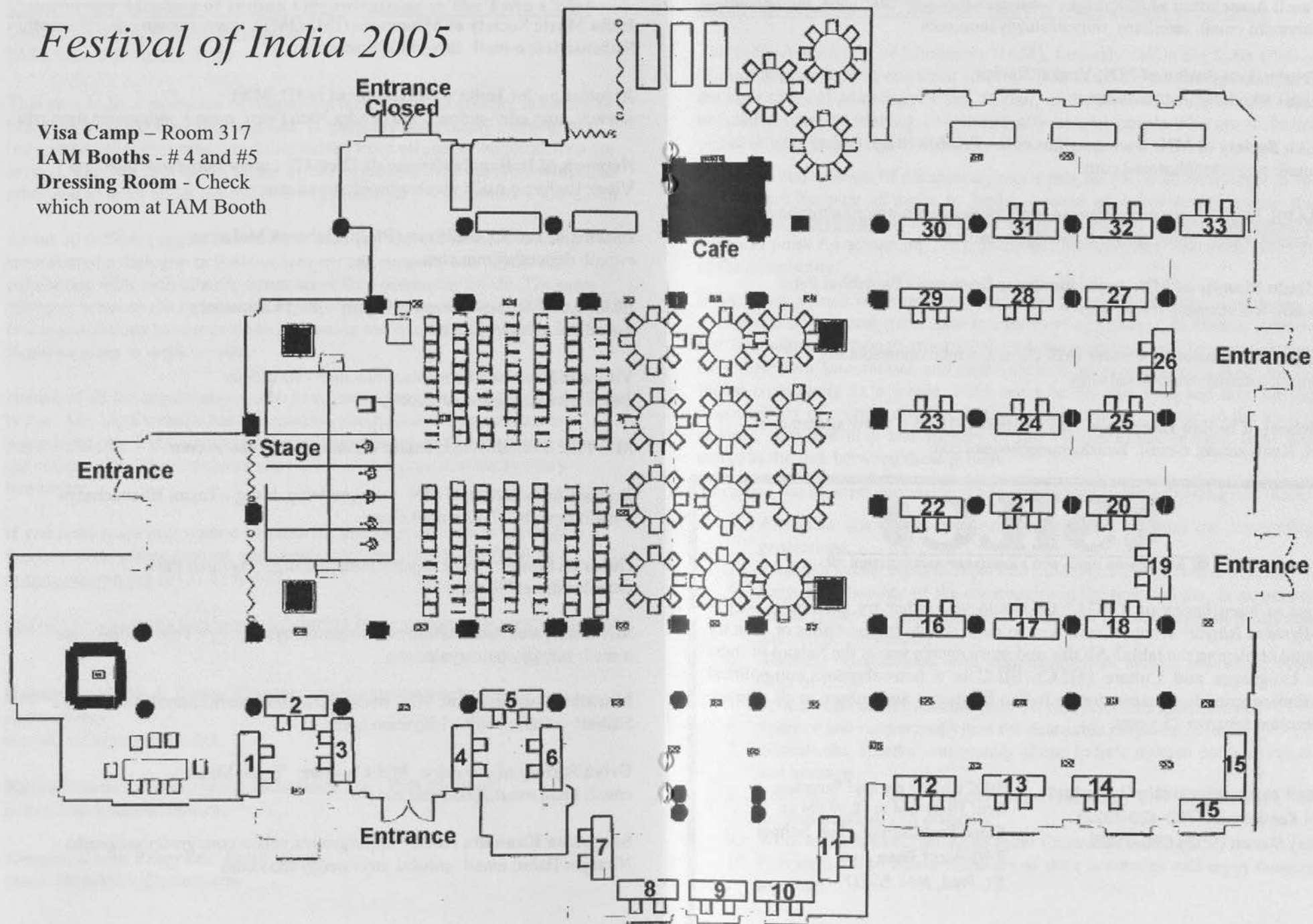
Marathi Association of MN: www.marathiassociationofmn.com - Priya Shilotri; e-mail: pshilot1@yahoo.com

Oriya Society of America_MN Chapter: Tanni Misra
email: tanni.misra@comcast.net

Sangeetha Kannada Koota: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/sangeetha> - Niranjan Babu; email: snbabu_mysore@yahoo.com

Festival of India 2005

Visa Camp – Room 317
IAM Booths - # 4 and #5
Dressing Room - Check
which room at IAM Booth



Tamil Association of MN: http://www.geocities.com/tamilians_minnesota/ - Shivanthi email: tamilians_minnesota@yahoo.com

Telugu Association of MN: Venkat Kothur
email: vkothur@hotmail.com

Sikh Society of MN: www.mnsikhs.com - Prabhjit Singh Gujral
email: mnsikhs@hotmail.com

BAPS: <http://www.swaminarayan.org/globalnetwork/america/minneapolis.htm>
Mayank Patel; email: mayank.patel@genmills.com

Hindu Mandir of MN: www.hindumandirmn.org - Panjabhai Patel
email: mandirmn@yahoo.com

Muslim Community Center (MCC): www.mccminnesota.org
email: info@mccminnesota.org

School of Indian Languages and Culture (SILC): www.silcmn.com - N. Kanikannan; e-mail: kanikkannan@hotmail.com



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India Association of Minnesota (IAM): Our Mission & Purpose

The India Association of Minnesota (IAM), formerly called the India Club of Minnesota, has been in existence since 1973 as a not-for-profit organization, in the twin cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul, in the State of Minnesota. It seeks to build a sense of identity and community among people who are of Indian origin or who have an interest in India.

The India Association of Minnesota, represents people with an interest in the culture and heritage of India to **build** a sense of cohesiveness within this community, **represent** the community to the population at large, and **serve** as the focal point for advancing the educational, cultural, and charitable interests of the community.

India being a land of diverse cultures, the Indian community here being a microcosm of the same great land is a plethora of cultures, traditions, customs and languages. Although most of the ethnic, religious and language groups have their own associations and clubs, there is no representative body for the Indian community as a whole. IAM seeks to fill this void and take up this responsibility of representing the Indian community as a whole, to the society at large, with the help and support of the various ethnic groups. IAM also serves as the link between these groups.

To realize our mission and vision, IAM is involved in the following activities:

1. Articulate our values and heritage to ourselves and our succeeding generations
2. Establish strong relationships with other Asia-Pacific organizations
3. Raise the visibility of the community in the news media, in matters of public policy, in academic institutions and in businesses in Minnesota and rest of the country.
4. Maintain relationships with organizations of similar interest in other parts of USA
5. Sponsor and conduct community service activities in Minnesota
6. Sponsor and support activities for charitable purposes in India
7. Educate the broader community about India's diverse cultural values and heritage
8. Contribute to the broader understanding and appreciation of multiculturalism and diversity
9. Work towards establishing an India Center in Minnesota
10. Provide a forum where members of the community will enjoy coming together.

11. Encourage and support the activities of sister organizations promoting youth education, women issues, and the interests of the elderly (such as SILC, AIWA, 55Plus groups)
12. Demonstrate the community's good citizenship and commitment to the values of a pluralistic society.

IAM sponsors or participates in a variety of activities designed to foster cohesiveness among the Indian population. A few of these are listed below.

The Festival of Nations: This is an annual event held in spring at the St. Paul River Centre, sponsored by the International Institute of Minnesota. IAM organizes the dance & entertainment programs representing the diversity of India, and subcontracts a bazaar featuring Indian Artifacts and a food booth selling Indian food.

The Festival of India: This annual event is held in the early fall at the Landmark Center in St. Paul, showcasing music, dance & food from India. This is the single most visible event of the association for reaching out to the boarder community. More recently, the FOI event featured visa and passport renewal services by hosting members of the Indian Consulate.

The Oral History Project: Oral history is an exciting means for collecting and preserving history. It allows people to tell their stories that get recorded and then transcribed in text documents. Minnesota Historical Society and IAM have completed four projects as of today. The 5th Project which started in 2003 and will be completed in 2005, would be the 30year history of IAM narrated by past Presidents of IAM.

Annual Dinner & Picnic: The dinner is held around India's Republic Day and features addresses by eminent personalities. The picnic is held in mid-summer to celebrate the Independence days of both the U.S. (July 4th) and India (August 15th) IAM works with the **Asian Policy Roundtable**, the **Indian Consulate General**, etc., as a representative of the local Indian community.

A **Newsletter** is published 4 times a year. An enthusiastic & talented **Youth Group** arranges dances and social get togethers. **Community Service** activities include charitable projects, such as collection and transmission of funds to India for relief work, volunteer services at the Soup Kitchen, etc.

The Association depends on volunteer work from the Indian community and on annual membership dues, which are modest. Please take a moment today to become an IAM member and show your support for the Indian community.

महफिल-ए-मुशायरा

शायरों की शाम, आप के नाम

Mehfil-e-Mushaira

A gathering of Hindi/Urdu poets



India Association of Minnesota IAMN brings an evening of poetry in Hindi and Urdu

6:00 pm, Nov 5th, 2005, Saturday

Lake Harriet Spiritual Community, 4401 Upton Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55410

Suggested Donation: \$3

Contact

Sarit Sharma (952) 942-6194 sarit.sharma@gmail.com
Taha Syed (612) 868-6580 tsalman@yahoo.com

This Mushaira will also raise funds for South Asian peace initiatives.

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Name: _____

Name of Spouse: _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Profession/Business: _____

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Name & Age: _____

Name & Age: _____

Name & Age: _____

Membership Type: Check one

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☐ Family (\$40 – 3 years) ☐ Family (\$200 – life)

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Yes! I want to volunteer to help. Please contact me for the following activities:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Service | <input type="checkbox"/> Festival of Nations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Festival of India | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Web Page Maintenance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Speaker's Bureau | <input type="checkbox"/> 55+ Club |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Host Family Program | <input type="checkbox"/> History Project |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian Indian Women's Association | |

☐ Include me on IAM's email distribution list.

Already a member? Please fill out our online form under "Surveys" to ensure we have your most up-to-date information.

List of Booths at Festival of India

Booth Organization	Phone #	Contact Name
2 SEWA-AIFW	763-234-3491	Raj Chowdhury
3 Children's Cancer Help	763-542-9299	Freny R Irani
4 IAM	763-546-9393	Nitin
5 IAM	763-546-9393	Ramesh
6 Sunstar Mortgage	952-496-9119	Shambhu Nath
7 SVP FOTO	651-738-5901	Sadanand Pathre
8 American Family Ins	952-933-4884	Melissa Dell Accio
9 Science of Spirituality		Aravind Naik
10 Royal Hues Inc	763-424-0679	Alka Dabade
11 Golden Stitch	651-714-9778	Anitha Sudheer
12 Baskets Royale	651-765-0591	Sabina Zeenat
13 Counselor Realty	763-438-7349	Anu Sabby
14 Mariyum Ent	612-387-4600	Shahnawaz Iqbal
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16 Akash Ganga	651-633-4251	Ram Krishnan
17 MN Asian Indian Dem. Assoc.	651-644-5743	Rowzat Shipchandler
18 Khadi-Cotton	612-381-0129	Corrine Mady
19 New York Life	952-897-5042	Mangala Pai
20 SILC	763-420-7322	Rabinder Bains
21 Geetmala TV Program	651-770-1923	Mukhtar Thakur
22 PIC	651-644-9880	Deborah Melaven
23 NET-IP	763-234-7204	Diby Mukherjee
24 Bread of Life Church	651-905-9585	Ajit Varghese
25 AID MN	651-224-3596	Sudha Nagavarapu
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30 Pratap Bhosale & Sam Shilotri	651-690-9959	Pratap Bhosale
31 RAYA	612-229-8903	Akram Abbas
32 Ameriprise Financial Inc	952-857-1345	Sharmila Prathipati
33 GIWCAFE	763-717-0401	Manju Ghosh
34 Help_U_Sell	952-423-6222	Abby Sookraj

**India Association of Minnesota
Festival of India
October 2nd, 2005
Landmark Center, St. Paul**

Cultural Program

12:00 Noon – 1:00 PM (MC: Bhairavi Mahant)

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|----------------------------|---------------------|
| • Welcome Address | Dilip Mallick |
| • American National Anthem | SILC Students |
| • Vande Mataram | Arpit Panda |
| • Ranganjali | Leela Dance Theater |
| • Folk Dance | Gujarati Samaj |
| • Dance "Dola re dola" | SILC Students |

1:00 – 2:00 PM (MC: Ramona Advani)

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| • Sanskriti | Bharathi and Group |
| • Malayali Film Dance
"Gujarati Kaal Thala" | Aishwarya Menon |
| • Folk Dance from Orissa
"Labanga Lata" | Swati and Amrita |
| • Modern Dance | RGK Dance Studio |
| • Classical Dance | Apeksha Panda |
| • Kuchipudi Dance | Sujatha Akurati |

2:00 – 2:30 PM (Break)

2:30 – 3:30 PM (MC: Shivanthi Sathanandan)

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| • IAM President's speech | Dilip Mallick |
| • Introduction to IAM Board | Dilip Mallick |
| • Guest Speaker | |
| • Kathak Dance | Katha Dance Theater
Rita Mustaphi |
| • Hindi Vocal | Gorinka Srivastava |
| • Bharat Natyam – Thillana | Shobana Raj |

3:30 – 4:30 PM (MC: Mukhtar Thakur)

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| • Rajasthani Folk Dance
"Holiya me ude re gula" | Nanhita Patel
Ghungaru Dance classes |
| • Vocal | Prasant Sarnaik |
| • Dance | RGK Dance Studio |
| • Auction | Sangam Radio |
| • Bhangra | Ricky Arora
Sikh Association |

Closing Ceremony

India Association of Minnesota presents



Festival of India



Sunday, October 4, 1998

12 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Landmark Center, Downtown St. Paul

75 South 5th Street (one block from the Civic Center)

Directions, parking and bus information at www.mtn.org/landmark

Food, Entertainment, Crafts and Community Activities

Visa and Passport Renewals for Travel to India
provided by representatives from the Consulate General of
India (5\$ charge for non-IAM members)

Admission Fees: 2\$ (individual), 5\$ (family), &
FREE for IAM members and children below 12

For more information contact:

Ananth Shankar 730-5966, rajananth@aol.com

Sunondo Ghosh 628-4982, sgosh@htc.honeywell.com

To participate in cultural activities contact:

Mahadevan Sivaramakrishnan 542-3160, msivaram1@yahoo.com

To reserve a booth at the festival contact:

Uttam Padukone 553-8009, u0107@usa.net

Ramesh Patel , 651-501-7746 , rameshp@ues.net

India Association Of India
Presents
Festival of India

Programs	Organizers	Status	Datelines
Entertainment	Deepshikha/Rabinder		9-17-2004
Schedule			
National Anthems			
Welcome/Information			
Guest Speech/Intro			
President's Address			
Music/Dances/Songs			
MC			
Program Brochure	Shalini/Shanghamitra		9-21-2004
Ads	All Board Members		
Schedule	Deepshikha		
Printing	Nitin/Indu		9-23-2004
Publicity	Shivanth		
Flyer	Shalini/Indu/Nitin	Completed	
Flyer Distribution	All Board Members		9-10-2004
Press Release	Dilip	Completed	
Press Release Distribution	Shivanthi/Dilip		9-10-2004
Media Coverage			
Radio Interview	Rabinder/Dilip		
Visa & Passport Setup	Guptan N		9-21-2004
Consulate-Officials			
Arrival & Departure			
Transportation, Accommodation	Rabinder		
Application Forms			
Volunteers			
Food Vendors	Dilip/Nitin		9-10-2004
JOI/Natarej			
Contract Document			9-10-2004
Vendor Booths	Shalini/Shanghamitra		9-17-2004
Registration Forms	Shalini	Completed	
Calling Vendors	Shanghamitra		9-17-2004
Meeting with Landmark	Dilip/Guptan/Partha		9-21-2004
Fees Collections	Nitin/Shalini		9-21-2004
IAM Booth	Rabinder/Shalini/Shanghamitra		
Decorations (Tablecovers)	BHIVA& AID-MN		
Setup/Cleanup			



THE INDIA ASSOCIATION OF MINNESOTA
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(A non-profit organization)

Mr. Anup Singh
Consul
Indian Embassy, Chicago
455 N. City Front Plaza Dr. , Suite 850
Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Mr. Singh,

India Association of Minnesota will be celebrating the 14th Festival of India on October 5, 1997. Processing of passports and visas by your consular staff has been one of the main attractions at the event. In order to make appropriate announcements and publicity, I would like to know by August 30, 1997 whether such arrangements can be made by your office this year.

I look forward to a quick response to this letter as we proceed with our preparations for the event. Thank you in advance.

Sincerely,

Sarat K. Mohapatra
President,
India Association of Minnesota
9233 Cornell Road
Woodbury, MN 55125
Phone: (612)733-9148 (O)
(612)739-0426 (H)
email: skmohapatra@mmm.com (O)
smohapat@isd.net (H)



India Association of Minnesota (IAM)

presents

Festival of India

Celebrating the diverse and vibrant cultural heritage of India

September 26, 2004 – 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Landmark Center, Saint Paul, MN

FESTIVAL BOOTH APPLICATION & REGULATIONS

Please print, complete and mail this application along with your payment

Name of Organization/Business: VIBHA

Contact Person: RAVI SURA

Address: 535 EAGLE RIDGE RD.

City/State/Zip: WOODBURY, MN 55125

Phone # 651-734-0645 Fax _____ Email RAVISURA@GMAIL.COM

☒ Check here if your organization is a non-profit organization

Fees enclosed: ☐ \$100.00 (profit vendor)

☐ \$50.00 (non-profit organization)

(PLS. SEE
ATTACHED
LETTER)

Mail the application and check, payable to India Association of Minnesota, to P.O. Box 130158, St. Paul, MN 55113. Application deadline: September 17, 2004.

Cancellation Policy: Before Sept. 17, 2004 – Fee charged: \$100/\$50 (see above)

After Sept. 17, 2004 – No refund

Questions? Contact Nitin Patil ((952)896-9780; nitin@iamn.org), Sanghamitra Sahu ((763)593-1403; sanghamitra@iamn.org), or Shalini Thadani at ((651) 734-0645; shalini@iamn.org)

- Cost of the booth includes a single 8 ft booth. Any vendor utilizing more than one booth will be required to pay additional appropriate fee as charged for a single booth.
- Each booth will be provided with 1 table and 2 chairs
- The booth reservation fee must be paid in full at the time of reservation prior to the event.
- Because of the health code and contractual agreements, no booth will be allowed to serve any food except for a selected vendor in the food court. There will NOT be any exception made. The selected food vendor must have a catering license. The restaurant license is not acceptable and will NOT be allowed.
- No vendor will be allowed to post any publicity posters or literature any place in the Landmark Center building except for the assigned booth. At the conclusion of the event, it will be the individual vendors' responsibility to remove all of the publicity literature from the booth area and leave the booth area in the condition that it was received.
- No vendor will be allowed selection of a specific booth. The booth will be assigned on an availability basis.
- In the event of any dispute, the India Association of Minnesota reserves the right to cancel the reservation of any vendor at any time without any notice.



Vibha-MN

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Minneapolis, MN 55455

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<http://minnesota.vibha.org>

<http://www.vibha.org>

Ravi Sura
Vibha-MN
535 Eagle Ridge Road
Woodbury, MN 55125

August 30, 2004

India Association of Minnesota
P.O. Box 130158
St. Paul MN 55113

Dear Madam/Sir,

On behalf of Vibha-MN, I would like to thank you for inviting us to present at IAM's Board Meeting on August 11, 2004 and for allowing us to setup a booth at IAM's Annual Independence Day picnic on August 21, 2004. The booth at the picnic was indeed successful by all standards – both in terms of people interested in Vibha activities as well as monetary donations. Additionally, I hope you would agree with me that the games organized by Vibha volunteers – including volleyball, painting, lemon & spoon race, balloon toss & tambola – were quite popular.

We believe that the picnic was a good start to what we hope is going to be a long-term partnership between IAM and Vibha-MN. **Support from community organizations like IAM is extremely valuable to Vibha.**

We would like to request a booth at the IAM-organized Festival of India on September 26, 2004. As you are aware, Vibha is a completely volunteer driven organization and every penny of the net funds we generate is dedicated to the welfare of underprivileged children. We humbly request IAM to waive the booth fees for Vibha, as any such fees would only subtract from the amount that could be used to help children. Our volunteers would be glad to help out with the organizations of Festival of India, if needed.

We hope for a favorable response to our request. Please visit <http://minnesota.vibha.org> for more information about Vibha-MN. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 651-734-0645 (h) / 651-737-2802 (o).

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Regards,

Ravi Sura
Action Center Coordinator
Vibha-MN

Bankim Desai

From: dshikha@stkate.edu
Sent: Wednesday, April 23, 2003 8:09 AM
To: BDesai@interplastic.com
Subject: Festival of India

I talked to Kumud yesterday. She said that Nicollett Island for festival of India is out. They have rental fee of \$1400 and we have to order minimum of \$5000 worth of food from them.
Deep

Bankim Desai

From: S_R_Bains [bain0025@umn.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2003 12:01 PM
To: BDesai@INTERPLASTIC.com; dshikha@stkate.edu; bain0025@umn.edu; vatas001@umn.edu
Subject: Re: Festival of India.

Bankim,

I'll be out of town from Saturday through Friday 3/28/02, so I will not be able to make it. If we do decide to go with a school, I would suggest a school other than Como High. We have used Brooklyn High School, I believe, for the Vaisakhi celebration and I think this is where India's 50th anniversary celebration was held, this is good venue because of the layout. The auditorium has a big area in front and the dining area is adjacent. We could also explore some facilities at the University. It would be good to have a meeting to determine what our needs are. I would like to make sure there is a good auditorium with rooms available for talks, demonstrations and an exhibit area for the different community groups, plus dining area. What I envision for the festival would be: a stage program; exhibits of businesses and Indian regions, demonstrations-yoga, dancing, cooking and meditation; speakers on Indian philosophy- Gandhi, Ayurvedic medicine; and food and socialising.(possibly games for children).

If we want to achieve this we need to get going.

Also, I spoke to Dilip on Sunday about his meeting with the Asian Pacific group about the Asian Festival they're organising. There is a meeting today, which Dilip can't attend and I had said I would think about going, but it looks like I will not have time this evening to go. It sounds as they they would like to quite a lot of involvement from the Indian community, this would be good for us. We need to have an executive meeting to determine how much we're willing to do and how.

Further, the schedule for our dance program for the Festival of Nations was confirmed on Saturday. we will have four different dances on Saturday, I'll send the exact times later on and one of the dances will be repeated on Sunday.

Is anyone following up on the case of the lady in Elk River. We need to determine the facts and see what kind of help is needed and then get the community involved.

Bankim Desai

From: dshikha@stkate.edu
Sent: Wednesday, July 23, 2003 3:40 PM
To: BDesai@interplastic.com
Subject: Festival of India

I had a phone call from a women asking for details for a food stall for the festival of India. Her name is Roopali and her # is 651-848-0606. Please keep this information for your files.

Deep Shikha

Topic to be discussed on 4/12/03 for Festival of India

- 1) The Committee**
 - Chairperson etc.
- 2) Location**
 - School, Landmark Center
- 3) Date**
 - October, Saturday or Sunday
- 4) Time**
 - Make it from 10 a.m. onwards
- 5) Fee**
- 6) Café**
 - Udipi, Taste of India etc.
- 7) Cultural program**
 - Master of Ceremony, regional groups
- 8) Lectures???????**
 - What type
- 9) Yoga**
 - Cocurrent program
- 10) Consular General's office**
 - Visa, pasport applications
- 11) Booths**
 - Tables, Chairs
- 12) Demonstrations**
 - Saree, Menhdi

Bankim Desai

From: Bankim Desai
Sent: Thursday, April 24, 2003 11:19 AM
To: 'Nitin.Patil'
Subject: Festival of India

4/24/03

Good Morning!

The Festival of Nations is always held (the very 1st weekend of May) in River Center in St. Paul downtown. If you look in to St. Paul phone (yellow pages) book, you will be able to get directions as well as its actual location. It is located on West 7th and Kellogg Blvd., St. Paul. This is all I know.

As far as Festival of India is concern, The Landmark Center (in St. Paul) will be cheaper for us and I feel that this is the way to go.

Please keep in touch.

Regards,

Bankim

-----Original Message-----

From: Nitin.Patil [mailto:Nitin.Patil@target.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 24, 2003 11:03 AM
To: 'BDesai@INTERPLASTIC.com'
Subject: RE: Festival of India

I got reply from Hennepin Technical Institute immediately. They are charging 700 Dollars for a day and there will be extra charge for the Light/Wire/Handy Man.

I think we should go and see that place. We have been using it for last 4 years and it is more than sufficient for the community.

Let me know what you think.

Also Can you give me the exact postal address for the Festival of Nations Venu. I have signed up for the Friday Evening Spot.

Thanks

Nitin

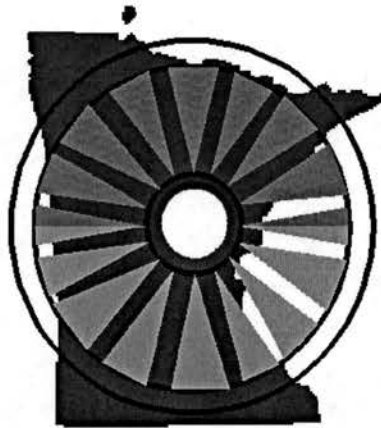
-----Original Message-----

From: BDesai@INTERPLASTIC.com [mailto:BDesai@INTERPLASTIC.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 23, 2003 10:06 AM
To: Nitin.Patil
Subject: Festival of India

Festival of India
Planning Meeting Agenda Update
September 8, 2002

Attended by: Kumud Sahgal, Preeti Mathur, Deepshikha Gupta, Ashoke Mandal, Dilip Malick and Bankim Desai

- **Date, Time, and Place:**
 - Reservations confirmed and fee paid by Bankim
 - Review of Meeting with Betsy by Dilip and Bankim on 8/17/02
- **Chief Guest** - Ashoke to work directly with Senator Dayton's office and Satveer Chaudhary.
- **Visa Renewal Services**
 - Dilip has extended a formal invite to the Consular Office. It is expected that a total of 4 people will attend.
 - Dilip to co-ordinate Volunteers to assist the Consular staff.
- **Vendor Booths**
 - Vatsal to co-ordinate the efforts on the Contacts.
 - Price/Deadlines/Rules have been designed and will be given to Vatsal.
- **Entertainment** is being co-chaired by Deepshika and Kumud
 - Program Items; MCs;
 - Program Sheets
 - Fashion Show will NOT be held due to lack of support.
- **Food/Caterer** - matter will be handled by Ashoke.
- **Publicity** - We will be requesting other board members to help in this area.
 - Within Community (Govind, Anil, Subo will be requested)
 - To General Public (Everybody)
 - Banners outside Building - Preeti to ask Ananth if he could assist.
- Possible **Added Attractions**
 - SBI Booth/Advertisement - Rajiv Goyal will be contacted for SBI to attend.
 - Special Event in Auditorium - We do NOT have the auditorium for our use.
- **Demos**
 - Mehendi - Julie Desai will present multiple demos on Mehendi from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
 - Saree wrapping - Rabinder has been requested to assist in this matter.
 - Bindi - Rabinder has been requested to assist in this matter.
- **Children's Coloring** - SILC will be requested to help in this matter.
- **Dress up—Poloroid photos** - It was decided not to pursue.
- **Costumes of India** - (This matter was not discussed.)
- **Facts on India** - Preeti to pursue this item.
- **Changes in Layout, Setup, Decoration, Clean up** - Bankim to handle.
- **Admission Tickets** - Dilip and Ashoke to handle.
 - Entrance Tables and Volunteers
 - All volunteers, participants, Vendors, IAM members and their family will NOT be charged fee for entrance.



Festival of India

India Association of Minnesota (IAM) serves as an umbrella organization for the Indian community in the State of Minnesota. The India Association of Minnesota (IAM) will hold the Festival of India on **October 6, 2002**, from noon to 5 p.m. at the **Landmark Center** (75, West 5th Street, St Paul, MN 55102) in Downtown St. Paul.

This event will offer an afternoon of Indian culture, music and food. Apart from showcasing local talents and giving visitors an opportunity to learn about India and Indians in Minnesota, the Festival of India also provides India-related organizations in Minnesota a forum to educate attendees on their mission and goals.

Highlights of the event include a cultural program with ethnic dances, music and a costume show, vendor booths with authentic Indian food and merchandise, Sari wrapping and mehendi (hand painting) demonstrations, Indian crafts and games for children. Representatives from the Consulate General of India will be on hand to issue visas to India and also accept passport renewal application forms.

The entrance fee:

India Association of Minnesota members can enter free,
For Non-IAM members \$5 for person and \$10 for a family.

For further information about the event, please contact:

Dilip Mallick:

Phone: (763) 546-9393 or e-mail: dilipkmallick@yahoo.com

Bankim Desai:

Phone: (651) 784-8916 or e-mail: bendesai@yahoo.com

-----Original Message-----

From: ASHOKA MANDAL [mailto:ashoke_mandal@hotmail.com]

Sent: Friday, September 19, 2003 8:14 AM

To: BDesai@INTERPLASTIC.com

Cc: dshikha@stkate.edu

Subject: Re: Catering contract

Bankim,

I am more comfortable with Jewel of India. If you want we can ask for more favor from him. Favor like publicity or more lunch coupons or even little bit more money.

Please prepare the guidelines for the restaurant and we can meet with them one more time to go over the rules/guidelines to make sure they understand our expectation. We can also give some suggestions about the menu and price so that the people are happy.

Thanks,

Ashoke

>From: Bankim Desai

>To: "Ashoke_mandal@hotmail.com"

>CC: "dshikha@stkate.edu"

>Subject: Catering contract

>Date: Thu, 18 Sep 2003 16:21:19 -0500

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>9/18/03

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>I am waiting for your input so as to who should we give contract to. You
>make the decision and let me know. If you want to go with Jewel of India, I
>am comfortable with it. If you go with Udipi then also I am comfortable
>with it. If we give it to Jewel of India then they should have enough food
>and manpower to handle it. The food vendor must have at least 2 serving
>places to feed the lines to avoid back logs.

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>Let me know.

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>Bankim (Ben) Desai

>Corrosion & Specialty Resins

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celebrations

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June 4, 2004

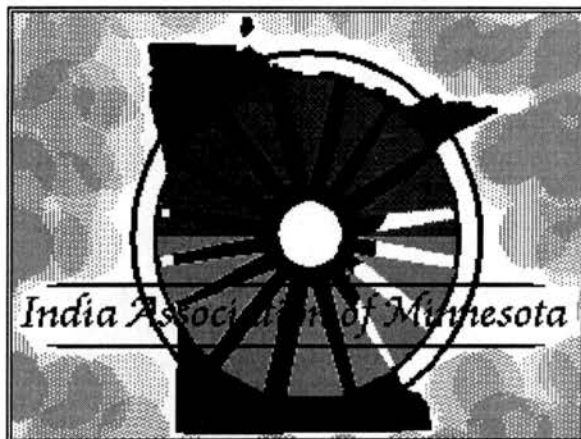
Benkim Desai
India Association
1526 Pinewood Drive
, Shoreview MN

Dear Benkim Desai,

Hi there! This letter is just to let you know that Minnesota Landmarks does not allow guns on the premises and that even though we now have the option of remaining open until 2 am for events, our closing time will remain at midnight. We're looking forward to your event!

Sincerely,

Brooke Murphy
Events Assistant
MN Landmarks



P. O. Box 130158
St. Paul, MN 55113
www.iamn.org

Dilip K. Mallick
2701 Brunswick Ave.
Crystal, MN 55422
dilipcal@hotmail.com
Ph/Fax: 763 546 9393

July 7, 2000

Mr. Surendra Kumar
The Consulate General Of India
Chicago, IL 60611.

Dear Sir,

It is the great pleasure, on behalf of the India Association of Minnesota, I am cordially inviting you to be the Chief Guest in the event for the celebration of the 53rd anniversary of Independence Day of India.

The Indian Community at large in Minnesota will participate and enjoy the event with the annual picnic that will be organized by India Association of Minnesota. The event is scheduled on August 20, 2000 at the Fort Snelling Historical State Park St. Paul, Minnesota.

It would be appreciated for your acceptance of the invitation.

Yours Sincerely,
Dilip K. Mallick