



## श्री सिद्धिविनायक १०८ शंख महाअभिषेक Sri Siddhivinayak 108 Conch Maha Abhishek



Date: Saturday, September 19th, 2015

Time: 9:30 am – 12:30 pm

Venue: Bharatiya Temple, Tel: 215-997-1181



Please attend this major religious event specially planned on weekend morning so you can take a dip in spiritual experience at Sri Siddhivinayak Maha Abhishek & Special Alankaram.

This year, devotees have an opportunity to sponsor 108 Conches. Conches will be ceremoniously carried by sponsors around deities and will be finally offered for Abhishek to Moola Murthy of Sri Siddhivinayak. Maha Abhishek with Milk, Yogurt, Vibhuti, Chandan, Raktachandan, Ghee, Honey, Sugarcane Juice and Water will be offered. The Maha Abhishek will be performed in a very holy and spiritual atmosphere created by Rudra Chanting, Ganesh Mantra recitation and sonorous Shehnai (Mangal Vadyam). Devotees will get once-in-a-year opportunity to offer Milk Abhishek to Lord Siddhivinayak and Goddess Riddhi & Siddhi.

You are most cordially invited with your loved ones to participate in this rare and sacred ritual. You can enjoy Indian food and music outdoors in IndiaFest after this event.



### Maha Abhishek 108 Conch Sponsorship

Your contributions helps pay expenses of this Event.

**Maha Abhishek Mukhya Yajman, 108 Conch Sponsors (5 Devotees) \$1001**  
(Carry Main Conch in procession, Lead Puja, Archana, Aarti, receive blessed Dhوتي & Silk Saree)

**Maha Abhishek 108 Conch Sponsors (71 Devotees) \$111**  
(Carry Conch in procession, Archana, Aarti and receive blessed Conch, Dhوتي & Saree)

**Abhishek Samagri, 108 Conch Sponsors (51 Devotees) \$51**  
(Carry Conch in procession, Archana, and receive blessed Upavastram)

### Sponsorship & Benefits Contact:

T. Sarada: 215-674-9573, Neeta Sharma: 732-543-4892



### Sincere Request

NO LEATHER ARTICLES IN POSSESSION DURING RITUALS/ PUJA.  
TRADITIONAL INDIAN ATTIRE IS REQUIRED.

॥ श्री भवानी शंकर प्रसन्न ॥



## श्री गणेश रिद्धि सिद्धि विवाह Sri Ganesh Wedding Invite

Dear Mahatman,

You are most cordially invited to perform a sacred & rare ritual of Lord Ganesha and Riddhi-Siddhi Vivah (Kalyanam) and seek blessings for boundless prosperity for your progenies. Please encourage your children to attend so they understand the importance and significance of Hindu wedding rituals.

**Lord Mayureshwar (Ganesha)**

**Son of Lord Sadashiva and Adishakti Bhavani**

**Weds**

**Goddess Riddhi (alias Buddhi) & Goddess Siddhi**

**Daughters of Lord Brahma**

On Bhadrapad Shukla Shashti tithi, Sunday September 20th, 2015 at Shubha Muhurta, this fun filled wedding during Philadelphia Ganesh Festival, will be celebrated with multi-lingual songs & Mangalashtak and along with Mangal Dhvani. Please join in colorful post-wedding procession of newly wed Lord Ganesha with Riddhi & Siddhi and seek blessings for your family.

Date: Sunday, September 20th, 2015 @ 10am, Vijay Procession at 12pm

Venue: Bharatiya Temple, 1612 County Line Rd, Chalfont PA 18914

Note: Moola Murthy Abhishekam and Alankaram at 9am



**Vivah/Kalyanam Mukhya Yajman (5 Devotees) \$1001**  
(Lead Vivah, Kanyadan, Mala Exchange, Carry Palkhi in Vijay Yatra, Receive blessed Dhوتي & Silk Saree)

**Vivah/Kalyanam, Yagyopavitam, Mangalsutra Sponsors (71 Devotees) \$111**  
(Raksha Dharan, Active participation, Aarti and receive blessed Dhوتي & Saree)

**Kalyanam/Vivah Gift for Bride & Groom Sponsors (51 Devotees) \$51**  
(Archana, and receive blessed Upavastram)

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Ganeshpuran (Uttarkhand, Ch 126) mentions Mayureshwar as Lord Ganesha's incarnation in Tretayuga and his wedding with Riddhi and Siddhi in presence of Naradmuni. Shiva Purana (Rudra Samhita, Kumarkhand) also mentions the story of Lord Shiva and Parvati rewarding Ganesha with the honor of first worship at his wedding.

## ज्येष्ठा कनिष्ठा गौरी (महालक्ष्मी) पूजा Jyestha Kanishtha Gauri (Mahalakshmi) 3-Day Puja



**Avahan (Anuradha Nakshatra) Saturday, Sept 19, 2015 - 4:30pm**  
**Pujan (Jyestha Nakshatra) Sunday, Sept 20, 2015 - 4:30pm**  
**Visarjan (Mool Nakshatra) Monday, Sept 21, 2015 - 5:00pm**



Traditional Ganesh festival is not complete without Jyestha and Kanishtha Gauri (Mahalakshmi) puja. Gauri Puja has been a tradition in Maharashtra and neighboring states. In South, similar vrata called Shodash Uma Vratam is popular. Newly married women return to their mother's home and worship Jyestha & Kanishtha Gauris. This festival is marked by women's singing, dancing and Haldi-Kumkum gathering to wish each other prosperity and happiness.

Devotees especially newly married daughters, are invited to join this rare yet important Puja during Ganesh festival. Please volunteer to ceremoniously bring Gauris to temple, make diyas, cook prasadam and plan the Haldi-Kumkum ceremony if you are familiar with the tradition.

**Gauri Puja Mukhya Yajman (5 Devotees) \$1001**  
(Lead Gauri Puja & Aarti, Gauri Aagaman, Receive blessed Dhوتي & Silk Saree)

**Gauri Alankar, Mangalsutra, Vastra Sponsors (10 Devotees) \$501**  
(3 day Gauri Aarti, Active participation, receive blessed Dhوتي & Saree)

**Gauri Puja Sponsors \$111 (51 Devotees)**  
(1 day Gauri Arti, and receive blessed Dhوتي/Saree)

**Gauri Haldi-Kumkum \$51**  
(Archana, blessed Shawl)

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## Opportunity to Serve Lord Ganesha Your Public Contribution and Sponsorships

Please cut this page, select your donation, fill donation form and mail per instructions on back side

General Festival Contribution Opportunities	Select	Amount
(Checks in Favor of Bharatiya Cultural Center for Corporate Match Or Bharatiya Temple )		
\$5001 Grand Sponsor of Festival (Daily Aarti/Archana, Mukhya Yajman for all Pujas, 3 Coins, Dhوتي/Silk Saree, and 1/2 page AD)	<input type="radio"/>	
\$1001 Festival Sponsor (Daily Aarti/Archana, participate in all Pujas, 10 Archanas, 3 Coins)	<input type="radio"/>	
\$501 Patron Sponsor (3 Aarti/Archana, participate in 1 Puja of your choice, 2 Coins)	<input type="radio"/>	
\$201 Family Donation (2 Aarti/Archana, 2 Coins)	<input type="radio"/>	
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Religious Donation Opportunities (Checks in Favor of Bharatiya Temple)	Select	Amount
\$1001 Flowers & Garlands Sponsor of Festival (5 Devotees) (3 Archana, 3 Aarti at noon, Blessed Dhوتي/Silk Saree )	<input type="radio"/>	
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\$1001 Laddu Prasad (Maha Abhishek & Vivah) Sponsor (2 Devotees) (2 Archana, Abhishek & Vivah Puja, Blessed Dhوتي/Silk Saree )	<input type="radio"/>	
\$1001 Mangal Vadya, Shehnai Nadaswaram Sponsor (3 Devotees) (3 Archana, Felicitate the Artists, Blessed Dhوتي/Silk Saree )	<input type="radio"/>	
\$1001 Mukhya Yajman—108 Conch Maha Abhishek (5 Devotees) (Carry Conch in Procession, Lead Puja, Archana, Aarti, Blessed Dhوتي & Silk Saree)	<input type="radio"/>	
\$1001 Mukhya Yajman—Ganesh Vivah/Kalyanam (5 Devotees) (Lead Vivah, Kanyadan, Mala Exchange, Carry Palkhi in Vijay Yatra, Dhوتي & Silk Saree)	<input type="radio"/>	
\$1001 Mukhya Yajman—Gauri Puja (5 Devotees) (Lead Gauri Puja & Aarti, Gauri Aagaman, Blessed Dhوتي & Silk Saree)	<input type="radio"/>	
\$111 Ganesh Maha Abhishek 108 Conch Sponsor (71 Devotees) (Carry Conch in Procession, Archana, Aarti and receive Blessed Conch, Dhوتي & Saree)	<input type="radio"/>	
\$111 Ganesh Vivah/Kalyanam Sponsor (71 Devotees) (Raksha Dharan, Active participation, Aarti and receive Blessed Dhوتي & Saree)	<input type="radio"/>	
\$111 Gauri Puja Sponsor (51 Devotees) (1 day Gauri Aarti, and receive Blessed Dhوتي/Saree)	<input type="radio"/>	
\$51 Abhishek Samagri, 108 Conch Sponsors (51 Devotees) (Carry Conch in procession, Archana, and receive Blessed Upavastram)	<input type="radio"/>	
\$51 Kalyanam/Vivah Gift for Bride & Groom Sponsors (51 Devotees) (Archana and receive Blessed Upavastram)	<input type="radio"/>	
\$51 Gauri Haldi-Kumkum Sponsor (51 Devotees) (Archana and Blessed Shawl)	<input type="radio"/>	
Advertisement , Corporate Sponsorship & Sales Opportunities (Checks in Favor of Bharatiya Cultural Center)	Select	Amount
\$2501 IndiaFest Entertainment Program Sponsor (9 Programs) (Free 20 Front row seats for Program, 1/2 page AD in brochure, Stage Skirt Banner)	<input type="radio"/>	
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Total Donation Amount (Please fill in the donation form on back side)		

Several Companies match employee donations. Please call: Mayur Amonkar : 484-433-7962, before you write your contribution check.

Cultural Program - Public Contribution (Wargani) and Sponsorships  
(Checks can be written in favor of "Bharatiya Cultural Center" to avail corporate match)



## Donor Information Form

Please cut the bottom half page, fill the forms and write the special offerings & Pujas you wish to sponsor. Details of Pujas are on the back page. Send your donation check with these forms in enclosed no-postage BRM envelope. Please write the checks in favor of, **Bharatiya Cultural Center** for cultural activity and company match. Please write the checks in favor of, **Bharatiya Temple Inc.** for religious programs and general Wargani. Mailing Address: **Bharatiya Temple (PGF 2015), PO Box: 463, Montgomeryville, PA 18936**

Contact for more information

Mayur Amonkar : 484-433-7962, Vivek hamdar : 267-475-8538

Donor Name:	Donation: \$	Check # :
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# Philadelphia Ganesh Festival @ Bharatiya Temple 11th Year, Sept.16-Sept.26, 2015

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## फिलाडेल्फिया गणेश फेस्टिवल, ११वाँ वर्ष

### Dates: Sept. 16 - Sept. 26, 2015

Theme : Shankh Abhishekam & Underwater Ganesha

#### Participating & Supporting Organizations

Philadelphia Marathi Mandal, Plymouth Balvihar, Indo-American Club, Telugu Association, Bharatiya Vidyalaya, Bharatiya Cultural Center, SRUTI, UP Association of Greater Philadelphia, Gujarati Samaj of Delaware Valley, Hindu Swayamsevak Sangh, Sewa International, Navodaya Kannada Koota, Friends of India Society, NJ, North South Foundation, SEWAA.

### Bharatiya Temple

1612 County Line Rd, Chalfont, PA 18914, Phone : 215-997-1181

Www.PhiladelphiaGaneshFestival.Org, Wwww.B-Temple.Org

वक्रतुंड महाकाय सूर्यकोटि समप्रभ ।  
निविच्चं कुरु मे देव सर्व कार्येषु सर्वदा ॥

Dear Devotees,

Namaskar. It is our immense pleasure to invite you and your family to attend Philadelphia Ganesh Festival's 11th year celebrations. Thousands of Ganesh Devotees visit us at Bharatiya Temple every year and give us an opportunity to serve Lord Ganesha by selflessly serving HIS devotees. Devotion, hard work and selfless sewa by hundreds of volunteers from participating 12 Indian Associations have made a permanent mark on Indian community from our greater Philadelphia region helping us receive a top rank as America's the First and Largest Public Ganesh Festival.

This festival is hosted by Bharatiya Temple. Our festival touches countless hearts and many devotees experience spiritual well being. We follow all-inclusive mission and our cultural and spiritual programs, organized to serve Lord Ganesha, appeal to Indian Americans from many states speaking many languages and also to mainstream Americans. Our festival being a a Public festival, generous public contributions from you combined with Lord Ganesha's blessings makes this festival possible.

We are blessed this year to have world famous Violin Maestro, Padma Bhushan **Dr. L. Subramaniam** as a **Chief Guest**. He will perform Sangeet Sewa on the first day i.e. Sept. 16th. Famous Kathak guru, Padmashri award recipient, Guru Shovana Narayan from Delhi, will perform on Sept 20th. **Ganesh Maha Abhishek, Jyeshtha Gauri** and **Ganesh, Riddhi Siddhi Vivah** are other grand religious programs this year. Next page shows highlights of great cultural programs planned specially for Lord Ganesha and you. Please visit festival website for updates and participation ([www.PhiladelphiaGaneshFestival.org](http://www.PhiladelphiaGaneshFestival.org))

This 10-day GRAND festival is possible only because of your voluntary donations. Please send your generous donations in the "No Postage Necessary Business Reply Envelope" provided, at your earliest convenience. Ganapati Bappa Moraya! Mangal Murty Moraya!!

	<b>Ganesh Abhishek</b> Sept 16 : 10-12pm Ganesh Havan Sept 16 : 4pm		<b>Ganesh Procession</b> Sept 16 : 6pm Arrival Sept 20 : 12pm Sept 26 : 3pm Farewell
	<b>Abhishek, Alankar Rajopachar &amp; Aarti</b> MoolMurty Ganesh Daily : 9am-12pm		<b>Sangeet, Nritya Seva for Ganesha</b> Every Evening : 5pm
	<b>Atharvashirsha Avadharya</b> Rajopachar & Aarti Every Evening : 6pm		<b>1001 Ganesh Atharvashirsha Recitation</b> Sept 26: 1pm
	<b>Food, Music, Fun</b> Sept 19 : 10-7pm Sept 20 : 10-7pm		<b>PGF YCOMM Sports Fun Event</b> When : TBD

Everynight photoshoot from 9:00pm - 9:15pm

## PGF 2015 Cultural Programs At A Glance

Programs & schedule is subject to change. Program Updates: [www.PhiladelphiaGaneshFestival.org](http://www.PhiladelphiaGaneshFestival.org)

September 16 Wednesday 8:30 pm Night	<b>Grand Opening of 2015 Festival.</b> Violin Concert by Chief Guest, Padma Bhushan Dr. L Subramaniam and Ambi Subramaniam.	
September 17 Thursday 7:45 pm Night	<b>Pot &amp; Plate Dance by Stars of India Got Talent</b> Deciples of Guru Manjula Ramaswamy, Hyderabad	
September 18 Friday 7:45 pm Night	<b>Friday Hungama - Bollywood Musical Sangeet Sewa</b> Hindi Orchestra - TBD	
September 19 Saturday 12:30 pm	<b>Outdoor IndiaFest Event - Gujarati Musical Program</b> TBD	
September 19 Saturday 3:00 pm	<b>Outdoor IndiaFest Event - Hindi Orchestra</b> TBD	
September 19 Saturday 2:00 pm	<b>Indoor Marathi Program, Marathi Comedy Drama</b> Hasva Fasavi by Chandrakar Kulkarni, India	
September 19 Saturday 7:45 pm Night	<b>Bhojpuri Folk &amp; Light Classical Music Grand Concert</b> by Bollywood Playback Singer, Malini Awasthi, a deciple of Vidushi Smt. Girija Devi	
September 20 Sunday 12:30 pm	<b>Outdoor Dance Festival, Classical, Folk Dance</b> Performances by 6-8 Invited Best Dance Academies of our area	
September 20 Sunday 4:00 pm	<b>Outdoor Orchestra - Folk Music Concert</b> TBD	
September 20 Sunday 7:45 pm Night	<b>Grand Kathak Concert by Padmashri Awardee</b> Guru Shovana Narayan-ji & troupe with live music	
September 21 Monday 7:45 pm Night	<b>Hindustani Classical Vocal Concert by</b> Bhuvanes Komkali, grandson of Pt. Kumar Gandharva	
September 22 Tuesday 7:45 pm Night	<b>"Young STAR" Concert</b> Dance & Music Performance by Young Graduate Artists	
September 23 Wednesday 7:45 pm Night	<b>Hindustani Classical Vocal Concert by</b> Dr. Vivek Khadilkar, Philadelphia	
September 24 Thursday 7:45 pm Night	<b>Hindustani &amp; Carnatic Jugalbandi Grand Concert By</b> Pt. Ronu Majumdar on flute and Nirmala Rajsekar on Sarasvati Veena	
September 25 Friday 7:45 pm Night	<b>Grand Carnatic Vocal Concert by (To be confirmed)</b> PadmaBhushan Vidushi Sudha-ji Raghunathan, Chennai	