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“Lord Sri Krishna and Arjuna blew their celestial conches to rally and enthuse the devotees.”

**NEWSLETTER**

New Govardhana Community



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Dedicated to His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, Founder-Acharya of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness

## SNANA YATRA BATHING THE LORD

## PANIHATI FESTIVAL THE POTS OVERFLOW

## TICKETS ON SALE! A NIGHT AT THE OPERA



IN FOCUS + JAYADEVA DEPARTS+ PIZZA NIGHT AT KRISHNA VILLAGE

# SNANA YATRA

By Damodara Pandit dasa

The festival of Snana Yatra will be celebrated at New Govardhana this year on Sunday, 19 June. This is the only occasion in the year when Lord Jagannatha, Lord Balarama and Subhadra Devi allow themselves to be bathed by all the devotees. Following the original tradition of worship in Jagannatha Puri Temple in Odisha, India, the Lords are bathed to help cool them, as this is the hottest time of year (in Puri).

Snana Yatra is one of the most favourite and important pastimes of Lord Jagannatha. The *abhiseka* or bathing ceremony is performed enthusiastically by all the devotees and carries on for hours amidst kirtans glorifying the Lordships and the chanting of the *maha-mantra*.

After the Snana Yatra (bathing ceremony) all the three Lords fall transcendently ill with flu. They are then supplied with medicines and take rest until fully rejuvenated for Ratha-yatra. During Their sick period, *bhoga* comprising of medicinal herbs

are offered and the Deities are not present on the altar to give Their *darshan* during an approximate two-week period, which is known as Anavasara.

## HATI VESHA

Once a year, during the *arati* ceremony held just after Snana Yatra, Lord Jagannatha appears in a special form.

Attendees at this *arati* will see Lord Jagannatha and Lord Balarama wearing Their *hati vesa* or elephant masks. Lady Subhadra appears in the centre wearing a beautiful lotus mask.

It is said that the Lord appears in this special merciful form to show that He is the source of all worshipable gods including Ganesh. 🙏



Photo: hknet.nz

# PANIHATI FESTIVAL

By Damodara Pandit dasa

The Chida-dadhi Mahotsava, also known as the Chipped Rice Festival of Panihati, is a yearly celebration of the pastimes of Srila Raghunatha dasa Goswami and Lord Nityananda Prabhu. This astonishing pastime took place on the banks of the Ganges at Panihati, which is just north of Kolkata. Chida-dadhi Mahotsava celebrates how the Lord mercifully reciprocated with His devotees by arranging, through Nityananda Prabhu and Raghunatha dasa, to provide an ecstatic feast of yoghurt and chipped rice, along with various other nectar foodstuffs.

In celebration of this festival at New Govardhana, devotees paint pots and then fill them with delicious offerings for the Lord. During the celebration these beautiful pots are auctioned to all assembled.

For any more information please contact Dhriti Gopi devi dasi.



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ISKCON Founder-Acharya His Divine Grace  
A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada

## Srila Prabhupada Uvaca

*anavasare jagannathera na  
pana darasana  
virahe alalanatha karila gamana*

### TRANSLATION

When Jagannatha was absent from the temple, Chaitanya Mahaprabhu, who could not see Him, felt separation and left Jagannatha Puri to go to a place known as Alalanatha.

### PURPORT

Alalanatha is also known as Brahmagiri. This place is about fourteen miles from Jagannatha Puri and is also on the beach. There is a temple of Jagannatha there. At the present moment a police station and post office are situated there because so many people come to see the temple.

The word *anavasara* is used when Shri Jagannathaji cannot be seen in the temple. After the bathing ceremony (*snana-yatra*), Lord Jagannatha apparently becomes sick. He is therefore removed to His private apartment, where no one can see Him. Actually, during this period renovations are made on the body of the Jagannatha Deity. This is called *nava-yauvana*. During the Ratha-yatra ceremony, Lord Jagannatha once again comes before the public. Thus for fifteen days after the bathing ceremony, Lord Jagannatha is not visible to any visitors.

**Chaitanya-Charitamrita Madhya 1.122**

Cover artwork by Urvasi devi dasi

# HARMONY WEEK GRIFFITH UNIVERSITY

By Radharani devi dasi

During the month of March, Griffith University celebrated 'Harmony Day' at a number of their campuses – on 21 March at the Queensland College of Art, Southbank, Brisbane, and 22 March at the Gold Coast Campus.

On both occasions the Chaplaincy Department was able to host a 'Multifaith Forum' that included devotional songs by Kishori Mohan, Sudevi dasi and Krishna Kripa dasa, from the 'Bhakti Without Borders' album.

The *bhajan*s and forum were well attended at both campuses by students, teachers, lecturers, and fellow chaplains, as well as representatives from Queensland's Police Service, including Sergeant Jim Bellos.

The faith representatives were asked to talk for five to ten minutes on the topic: 'How Faith Builds Harmony', and then there was a 30-minute segment for open questions or comments from the audience.

## THE SIKH BROTHERS SURRENDER

By Mandakini devi dasi

When brothers Naginder and Maninder Singh came to Australia from the Punjab eight years ago to study and work, they had not counted on pursuing a spiritually surcharged lifestyle.

First settling in Melbourne, with older brother Naginder employed as a milkman and Maninder as a trainee chef, the self-proclaimed 'naughty boys' embraced a frivolous existence of material enjoyment. Their escapades took them to all major cities on the continent, but it was in Adelaide that they were captured by Krishna.

Meeting a fellow countryman devotee, they listened with rapt attention as he propounded the



At Southbank the Hare Krishna guest speaker was Chaitanya Charan dasa, from Chowpatty, Mumbai. Other speakers were Richard Tutin, General Secretary Qld Churches Together; Chueh Shan, Abbess of Chung Tian Temple; Ranjit Singh, Director, Sikh Nishkam Society of Australia.

The next day at the Gold Coast Campus the Hare Krishna speaker was Shanti Parayana dasa, who recently returned to Murwillumbah after living in India for 15 years. Other speakers were Donald Levy, Rabbi and CEO of Jewish Journeys, an educational outreach project; Valerie Hoare, pastor, Anglican Parish of Tamborine Mountain; and Archdeacon of the Gold Coast, Helen Gilmour Pagan; and Sepehr Abedian Bahai, Bahai community external affairs officer.

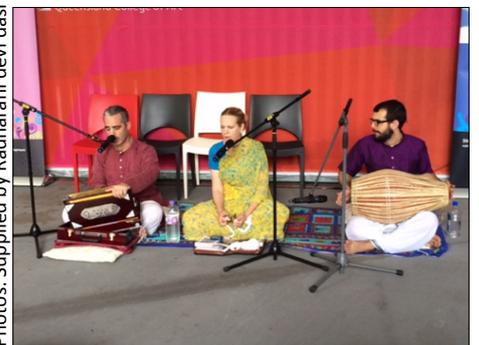
Everyone enjoyed the forums, but we soon ran out of time. Refreshments



were provided afterwards, where guests and staff were able to further mingle and talk with the faith leaders.

Griffith Student Services management was very impressed, and the Chaplaincy Department hopes to host another forum next semester and definitely again next Harmony Day. 🙏

Photos: Supplied by Radharani devi dasi



Above: Scenes from Harmony Day, Griffith University

'Dharma of the Age'. Japa beads were gladly received and their spiritual journey took a serious turn. Reaching the Gold Coast, they soon became enthusiastically involved in the local *harinamas*.

Some months ago, the brothers visited New Govardhana and began to render service, which included assisting George in the kitchen.

On a visit to the farm on Gaura Purnima this year, Maninder prayed before Their Lordships: "Krishna, I am here. Please give me a place in Your house and do not send me back to the place of Kali."

Before too long, Naginder and Maninder moved on to the farm, where their *bhakti* continues to increase, as they perform *harinama* seven days a week. Garlands, paraphernalia duties, kitchen work and more are now part of their daily lives. Maninder will also be undertaking the ISKCON Disciple Course facilitated by Krsnarupa

devi dasi (ACBSP) over the next few months.

Maninder, who is passionate about dancing, comments that he would like to be the "best ever *harinama* artiste". Naginder is praying that his wife will soon join him on the farm and take up the life of a devotee.

New Govardhana welcomes the brothers and their spirited enthusiasm. 🙏



Photo: Trevor Gore

The Sikh brothers on *harinama*.

## SERVICE WITH THE MOBILE CATERING UNIT

*The Conch interviews Bhakta Steve Smith*

**Conch (C):** How long have you been travelling and working with the mobile catering unit and what attracted you to the service?

**Steve (S):** I've been doing this service for five years. I really wanted to do something for the Hare Krishna Movement and give something back because it has done so much for me in the form of Krishna consciousness, giving me the tools to change my life. The travelling also allows plenty of time to chant quality rounds – and lots of them.

**(C):** What is the sleeping set-up like and how much rest do you get?

**(S):** It's basic, mainly in tents, but sometimes we are lucky enough to have devotees accommodate us. Normally sleep is limited to between four and six hours, but because of the long days, even noise and rain does not spoil the quality of the sleep.



Photo: Govindas Catering

*Bhakta Steve Smith ready for action.*

**(C):** What kind of service are you involved in?

**(S):** I'm involved in the cleaning; food preparation; serving the *prasadam* and making everyone's favourites – Kofta balls; and generally whatever else is required.

**(C):** Are the people attending the events reasonably well-behaved or do you have any problems with them?

**(S):** Generally most people are very well behaved and accepting of the catering team. It is so nice to find that most people quickly come to know you by your name, because they see you so often at different events. Some even look forward to seeing you at the different venues and often come over to greet you. It's a nice feeling.

**(C):** What do you like about the service?

**(S):** The service itself and the joy it brings to people who eat the *prasadam*, for which they return again and again. Many people become addicted to the *prasadam*, but can't explain the feeling that they get from eating it. I have seen amazing transformations in people in a drunken aggressive state who become passive, blissful beings after hearing our catering team's *kirtana*.

**(C):** What advice can you give to others who want to join the team?

**(S):** If you have the opportunity, do yourself a favour and jump right in, because you will love it. It is also an opportunity to associate with devotees you wouldn't normally meet and make lots of new friends. 🙏

\*Steve recently successfully completed the ISKCON Disciple course.

## FRIDAY NIGHT PRASADAM PIZZAS

*By Krishnarupa devi dasi (ACBSP)*

Krishna Village Eco Yoga Community has launched its Friday Night Prasadam Pizzas, kicking off with a great start recently in the refurbished patio/kitchen area. *Kirtana* around the bonfire creates a great mood for the heart and mind – and the stomach won't make any complaints either.

Daniel and Shakti are talented chefs formerly from the famous 'Lentil as Anything' restaurants, the successful 'pay as you feel, not-for-profit' initiative started by Shanaka Fernando in Melbourne. Daniel and Shakti have been cooking up a storm for the Krishna Village *prasadam* lunches for students and volunteers, and are now rolling up their sleeves on a Friday night as well.

At only \$10 per pizza (no onions, garlic or mushrooms), the wood-

fired result is delicious, tasty – and highly addictive. Vegan or gluten free options are also available. The Prasadam Pizza night starts at 6.30 pm with the last pizzas in the oven by 8.00 pm.

The Krishna Village is excited to host all members of the community, devotees and guests alike. Bookings in advance are much appreciated – just email [info@krishnavillage-retreat.com](mailto:info@krishnavillage-retreat.com) on the previous Thursday. Dress code is casual. 🙏



Photo: Courtesy Krishna Village

## WOMEN'S VOICES

*by Krishnarupa devi dasi (ACBSP)*

Recently I was appointed as the Women's Representative on ISKCON Australia's National Council. This initiative is a big step in giving a voice to women in ISKCON Australia and is most welcome.

The meeting was held 24–26 May in Melbourne. One of the results is that a domestic violence unit will be established comprising Bhakta dasa, myself and your local Temple President. If any devotees would like to discuss any pertinent issues, please contact me on 0416 179 733. 🙏

Photo: googleimages.com



# JAYADEVA DASA'S AUSPICIOUS PASSING

By Govardhana Seva dasa

Joachim Momodt emigrated to Australia from Germany at the end of the Second World War. He was employed as a sheet metal worker in some of the toughest working conditions to be found in Australia. This included the Hydro Electric scheme deep in the Tasmanian wilderness and then in the mines in northern districts of South Australia. He was married while he was on the mainland and this marriage produced a son, Kurt. Jayadeva later re-married but unfortunately his second wife passed away.

Jayadeva made his move to Murwillumbah and bought a house in Byangum Road in which he lived for many years. He built a large workshop, which he filled with quality wood-working equipment.

While living there he met Krishna Premi devi dasi, who first introduced him to Krishna consciousness. He went to the Hare Krishna Community at New Govardhana and while at the temple met devotees who talked to him about Krishna. He became very interested and began making regular visits to the farm. He studied the scriptures, performed temple services and volunteered for many odd jobs.

After serving at New Govardhana for some time, he was introduced to Janananda Goswami and shortly

afterwards took first initiation, receiving the name Jayadeva dasa.

Later he decided to apply to live on the farm. He donated his Murwillumbah house and workshop to the Krishna consciousness movement. Ajita dasa, the Temple Director, arranged for a small cabin to be built for Jayadeva in close proximity to the temple. He became a regular attendee and was soon going every day and performing any services that his ageing body allowed.

He took second initiation at the age of 87, despite the ill-health that was severely restricting his physical capabilities.

Slowly he deteriorated until he became bed-ridden, and on Monday, 2 May he left his body in a most auspicious way.

At 8.40 pm he asked Chaitanya dasa and Visnujana dasa to help him to the bathroom. Chaitanya and Visnujana also took the initiative to give him a sponge bath, and changed him into fresh clothing.

Upon being placed upon his bed, he left his body peacefully in the presence of five devotees, with a recording of Srila Prabhupada chanting in the background. A small *kirtana* was held shortly afterwards.

On the days prior to leaving his body, Jayadeva received a 50-minute Skype call from Janananda Goswami on two consecutive days and had also kept in touch with his spiritual master through the help of Bhaktine Sharne.

The following morning Nrsimha Kavaca dasa, the Head Pujari, assisted by Caitanya, conducted the last rites, known as *Antyesthi Kriya*, which included the *tulasi* rites using *maha tulasi*.

His body was anointed with Nrsimha oil and he was decorated with several spiritual articles, which had been given to him by devotees, including a Nrsimha Pavitra. Finally he was adorned with his favourite Nrsimhadeva t-shirt.

Jayadeva's body was taken to the Yatala crematorium, where it was cremated on Wednesday, 4 May.

His ashes will be taken to Mayapura by Chaitanya, where, accompanied by Nrsimha Kavaca, Asesa Sadhini devi dasi and Bhaktine Sharne, they will be scattered over the sacred Ganges. Jananivas and Pankajanghri prabhuv will conduct the service, as requested by Janananda Goswami. 🙏



Photo: Trevor Gore

Carer, Chaitanya dasa, with Jayadeva dasa in his final days.

# ACCREDITED YOGA TEACHER TRAINING

By Krishnarupa devi dasi (ACBSP)

The Krishna Village is expanding: what's been growing from a volunteer space into an Eco Yoga Community and retreat space over the past years, is now also hosting the Krishna Village Centre for Yogic Studies, a Yoga Alliance accredited yoga teacher training facility.

The international accreditation enables graduates to gain the appropriate certification and insurance so they can start teaching straightaway. The Yoga Teacher

Training Course is a full immersion, six-week course, and it's ideal for devotees who want to forge a career in a sattvic vocation.

What better place to learn and develop a career than in a wonderful environment with beautiful Radha Govardhanadhari just a short walk away up the hill! The Krishna Village Teacher Training Course is open to devotees as well as visitors.

The next course starts on 11 July. Please pass the enclosed loose-inserted flyer around to your friends. (The duration of the course has changed from a seven-week module to six weeks.) 🙏

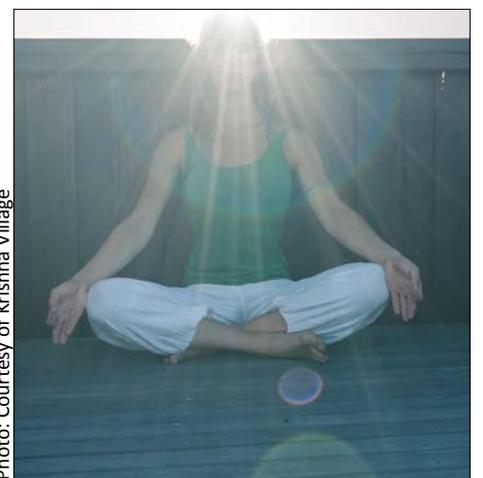


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# THE MISSING GOSHALLA

By *Urvasi devi dasi*

Some of you may have noticed that the *goshalla* has disappeared. The reason for this is to make the site ready for the new *goshalla* building and facilities.

Maha Purusa dasa and Grantha Priya dasa from Brisbane came to New Govardhana a few weeks ago and almost overnight dismantled the building in preparation for the site and proposed building, yet to be approved by local council. Once the Development Application and Construction Certificate proceeds through council the building can begin.

At the very old dairy location, just off the main road to the temple, new yards have been set up to make the management of cows and bullocks easier and safer. These are not only safer for the bullocks and cows, but also the cowherds, who from time to time need to administer medical treatment or maintenance care to Krishna's cows.



*The new yards at the very old dairy building will make handling cows and bullocks safer and more efficient.*



*Part of the new holding yards.*

Twenty-five, heavy-duty panels were purchased at a very good price (\$5000), and were installed by Gita Govinda devi dasi and Bhakta Alex. These panels will make working with the stock much more efficient in terms of time and will be less stressful for the cows and bullocks. This is because the entrance into the crush can be controlled, and they can be safely restrained for various procedures. An additional piece of equipment, a Muger Headlock (\$800), was also acquired to improve the restraining capabilities of the current crush.

Upcoming works include new fencing along the eastern boundary with the

neighbouring Baker property, and the repair of fencing that was damaged during the clearing of forest land for pasture.

Another old dairy building, located behind the *gurukula*, is reaching the end of its long life. It was built and used for milking cows by previous owners, but now it is no longer safe. A new steel shed will be erected a short distance from the current location. It will measure approximately 20 metres x 20 metres and will contain areas for storage of equipment, a covered area for working with stock, and it will also act as an all-weather shelter. 🙏



*Gita Govinda demonstrates how the 'Muger' works.*

# DIALYSIS DESK

By *Urvasi devi dasi*

One of *The Conch* team members, Govardhana Seva, who has written and proof-read for each issue since its inception, clocks-in to an unusual working environment to perform his service.

**(U):** For our readers who may not know what home dialysis is, could you briefly explain?

**(G):** The dialysis machine is used on people who have Chronic Kidney Failure. It simulates the function of the kidneys and filters the blood. It sends the blood through a series of filters, removing all the excess proteins and minerals, allowing the organs to function. Without dialysis the organs would deteriorate with fatal results.

**(U):** I believe it's a team effort – that your wife, Ekadasi, is skilled at operating the dialysis machine. Can you tell us how that is working out?

**(G):** Indeed, Ekadasi is a very important part of our home dialysis. I set up the machine to the point of canulation, which is the term for inserting the needles. Two needles have to be inserted into the fistula, a surgical graft in the arm, joining a vein (venous) and an artery (arterial). Ekadasi does this and then connects the canulas to the blood-lines on the dialysis machine. She then starts it and monitors and records the readings on the machine, making any adjustments needed. When the set time is up she carries out the procedure of stopping the machine and then removes the canulas. The machine is then stripped of all blood lines, etc., and set into the cleaning mode. Ekadasi also maintains the consumables, which are quite



*Home dialysis is a team effort. Ekadasi helps set up the equipment.*

extensive, each month, recording their use and ordering replacements. Without Ekadasi I would not be able to have home dialysis.

**(U):** How often is this done?

**(G):** It varies for each patient. Our specialist advised us to do four and half hours, four times per week. Another one and a half hours per session are required for disinfecting and setting up and closing down the machine.

**(U):** Does home dialysis interfere with your various services?

**(G):** It is much better on home dialysis. In hospital the times of dialysis are fairly rigid. I was doing five hours on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday afternoons and travelling back and forth to Tweed Hospital each day.

We can now choose which day, and either morning, afternoon or evening sessions. It has helped us in many

ways, in particular not having to do the travelling during the week.

While we are dialysing we can do plenty of reading, studying the scriptures, watching and listening to Krishna's pastimes on our iPads and doing lots of work for *The Conch*. 🐼



*Govardhana Seva lives up to his name and serves by writing and proof-reading for The Conch despite all obstacles.*

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*The Conch* is your community newsletter, and we invite you to submit articles for publication. Articles should be 300 words or less and supplied in MS Word via email to [gordon108@bigpond.com](mailto:gordon108@bigpond.com). Photographs must be in JPG format. Please provide the name of the author and

the photographer. Anonymous submissions will not be published. Deadline is the 12th of each month. Occasionally a submission could be held over to a later edition. All submissions will be edited, proofread or rejected without notice.



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# UPCOMING EVENTS

**RATHA YATRA**  
June 2016

**Coolangatta & Lismore**  
Cooli Rocks Street Parade 11th June  
Lismore Lantern Parade 25th June

**Bhakti Centre Gold Coast**  
Suite 1c, Trust House Building  
3070 Surfers Paradise Blvd, Surfers Paradise

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**Panihati Festival**  
SUN 19 JUNE

Snana Yatra will also be celebrated on this day

Includes the exclusive auction of devotee artist's decorated & prasadam filled pots  
All proceeds go to the Deities

7am Darshan  
7.15am Lord Jagannatha arrives  
Noon arati and kirtan  
1pm Class  
1.30pm Snana Yatra  
3pm Pani Hati auction  
4pm Arati and kirtan  
4.30pm Pani Hati Vesa darshan  
5pm Deities leave  
5pm Feast

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Please join us each **Ekadasi** for *Srimad-Bhagavatam* class given by His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada. These classes will feature subtitles.

**Darshan arati 7.00 am**  
**Class 7.30 am**

**Cooli Rocks On Street Parade**  
11 June 2016 from 9.30 am  
<http://www.coolyrockson.com>



**Lismore Lantern Parade**  
25 June 2016 from 5.30 pm  
<http://www.lanternparade.com>



**Snana Yatra and Panihati Festival**  
Sunday, 19 June 2016

7.00 am Darshan  
7.15 am Lord Jagannatha arrives at Temple  
Noon Arati and kirtana  
1.00 pm Class  
1.30 pm Snana Yatra  
3.00 pm Pani Hati auction  
4.00 pm Arati and kirtana  
4.30 pm Hati Vesa darshan  
5.00 pm Deities leave  
Feast

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**Donate a gold coin at the Temple Shop.**

**HARINAMA SANKIRTANA KI JAYA!**

**Wednesdays 10.30 am**  
Byron Bay *harinama* at the park opposite the Post Office. For further details and transport information, contact **Parama Karuna dasa** 0439 280 362

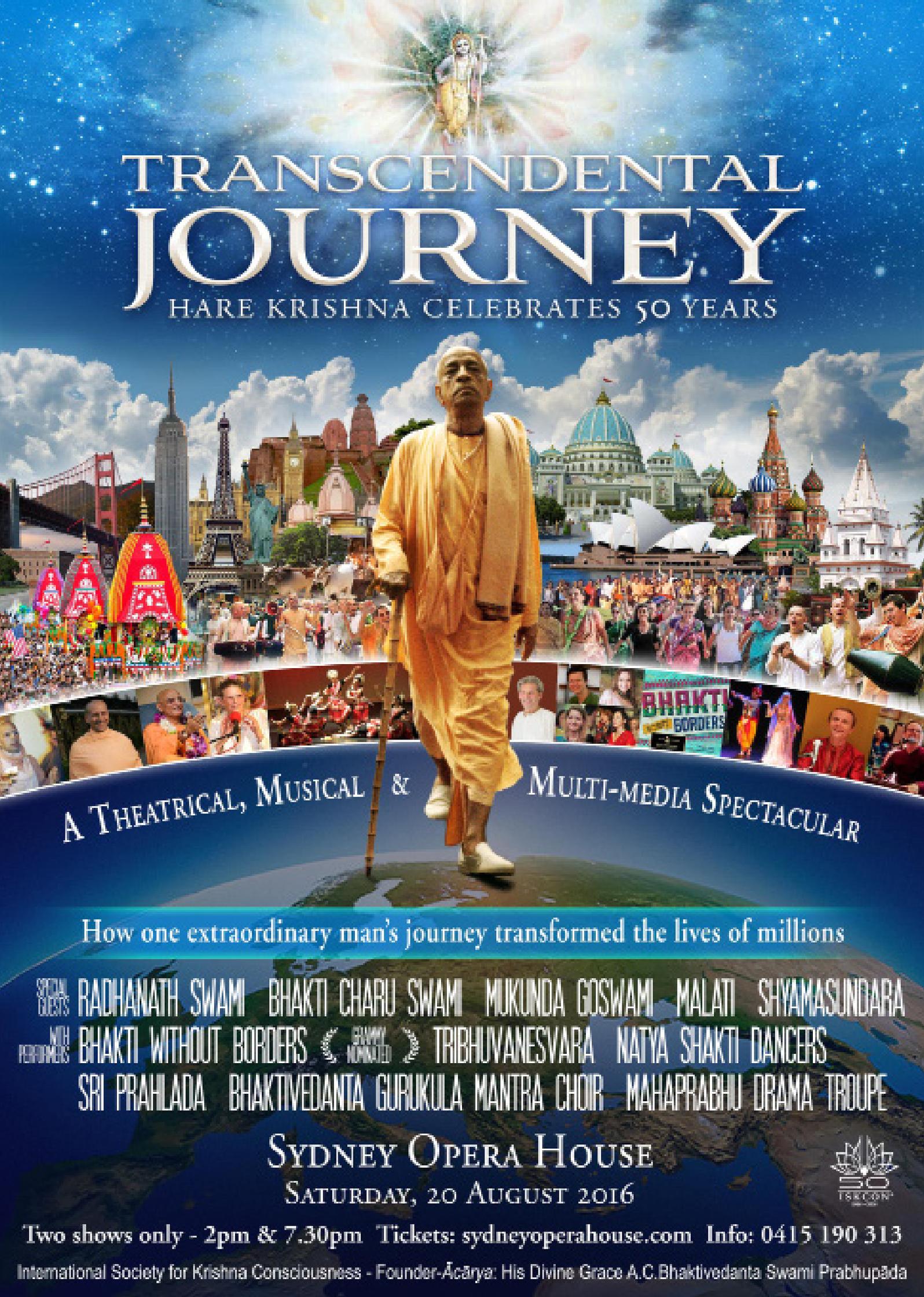
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## JUNE CALENDAR

(from Vaishnava calendar [www.vaisnavacalendar.com](http://www.vaisnavacalendar.com))

- 2 Thu Fasting for Aparā Ekadasi  
Srila Vrndavana Dasa Thakura – Appearance
- 3 Fri Trayodasi: Break Fast 6.31 – 10.00 am
- 15 Wed Sri Baladeva Vidyabhusana – Disappearance  
Srimati Gangamata Gosvami – Appearance  
Ganga Puja
- 16 Thu Fasting for Pandava Nirjala Ekadasi
- 17 Fri Dvadasi: Break Fast 6.36–10.03 am
- 18 Sat Panihati Cida Pahi Utsava
- 20 Mon Snana Yatra  
Sri Mukunda Datta – Disappearance  
Sri Sridhara Pandita – Disappearance
- 21 Tue Sri Syamananda Prabhu – Disappearance
- 25 Sat Sri Vakresvara Pandita – Appearance
- 30 Thu Sri Srivasa Pandita – Disappearance



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# ISKCON'S 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION WEEKEND SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA 19-21 AUGUST 2016



## Saturday 20 August, 2016

### ISKCON 50th Celebration at the SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE Transcendental Journey: Hare Krishna Celebrates 50 Years

A theatrical, musical and multimedia spectacular showcasing how one extraordinary man's journey transformed the lives of millions.

**2PM: Matinee Session**      **7.30PM: Evening Session**

Tickets: Adults: \$65-\$89. Children under 12, \$10 discount  
All tickets can only be purchased online at [sydneyoperahouse.com](http://sydneyoperahouse.com)  
Tickets sales now open.

## Sunday 21 August, 2016

### SADHU SANGA SUNDAY

**10.30AM-1PM:** 'Joy of Devotion' film – continuous screening at Govindas Darlinghurst

**11AM-1PM:** Govindas buffet lunch

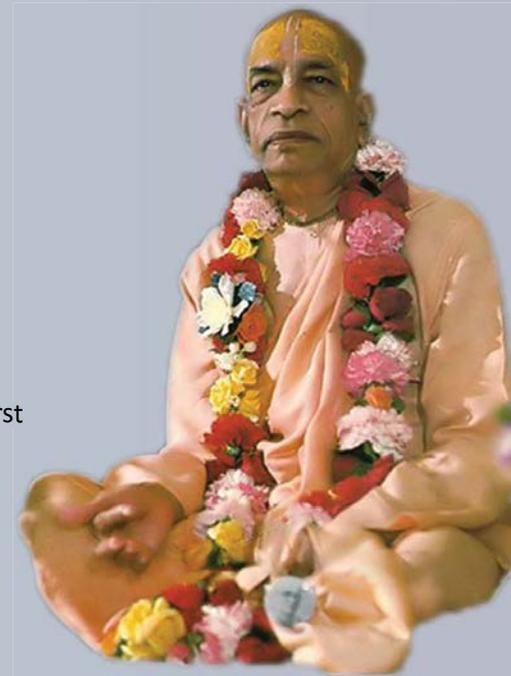
**1PM-4PM:** Sadhu Sanga at the National Arts School Theatre, Darlinghurst

### JOURNEY WITHIN – KIRTAN CONCERT

**4PM-5.30PM:** Govindas buffet dinner

**6PM-8.30PM:** The Journey Within – Kirtan Concert, National Arts School Theatre

Tickets: Sadhu Sanga Package (film, lunch, sanga): \$45  
Sadhu Sanga & Kirtan Concert (film, lunch, sanga – Dinner & Concert): \$75  
Journey Within – Kirtan Concert (dinner not included) \$30  
Purchase online at [www.eventbrite.com.au](http://www.eventbrite.com.au) Ticket sales now open.



## Friday 19 August, 2016

### SPECIAL PATRON DINNER, 7PM

This limited seat, once-in-a-lifetime, special dinner with Radhanath Swami, Mukunda Goswami, Bhakti Charu Swami, Shyamasundara dasa and Malati devi dasi is exclusively for patrons of the weekend's events. The \$1008 Patron Package includes the Patron Dinner & VIP seating for one at Sydney Opera House & Sadhu Sanga Sunday & Concert events.

For information on the Patron Package, contact Jaya Sri devi dasi: [sita@govindas.com.au](mailto:sita@govindas.com.au)

### BHAKTI FILM FESTIVAL – Govindas Darlinghurst

**Friday 6.30PM & 8.15PM**

If you are looking for uplifting and devotional entertainment, don't miss the Sydney Premier of the internationally acclaimed 'Bhakti Film Fest'. Featuring the world's best and latest in the realm of Vaishnava film-making.

**FREE!** There is no charge for entry to this event. Limited seating.

For Bookings Ph 02 9380 5155 or visit [www.govindas.com.au/form/bookings.html](http://www.govindas.com.au/form/bookings.html)

If dining at Govindas, Bhakti Film Fest attendees receive 25% off dining cost.

*For any more information, contact Damodara Pandit dasa on 0415 190 313.*

*Any profits (if any) from these events will go towards ISKCON's 50th Anniversary projects.*