



# Mandir Vani

**Hindu Temple and Cultural Center of the Rockies**

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From C – 470, Exit Wadsworth Blvd North, left on Chatfield Ave (First Light), left on Wadsworth Court (First Street), first driveway on the left is to the temple parking lot.

## Temple Hours:

Monday - Friday: 10 am to 2 pm & 5 pm to 9 pm  
Saturday & Sunday: 9 am to 9 pm

## New Temple Project Update

By Mahesh Jha, President, Hindu Temple and Cultural Center of the Rockies

We continue to make good progress towards the design and construction of the New Temple. It is summarized in the following paragraphs.

In the Fall of 2007, after soliciting and evaluating proposals from several architecture firms, we selected **SlaterPaull of Denver as Project Architect**. They have designed and built most religious facilities in Colorado and this will be of great help in obtaining required permits and assuring that our facilities not only meet the compliance requirements but also include latest energy and environmental design features. We also selected **Mr. Subhash Nadkarni of ArchiForm Inc. of Chicago as Temple Architect** to work with SlaterPaull on conceptual design. He has designed over a dozen temples across USA. He is working with **Mr. Mathu Selvanathan of Vaidyanathan Sthapati and Associates of Chennai, India** to make sure that the Temple is designed in accordance with Vastu and Aagam Shastra principles.

As the architects started working on the conceptual design, we learned that design and construction of two separate buildings (temple and cultural center) shown in our Requirements Document would cost over \$5 million. The Board accepted their idea of constructing a single building (temple on the upper floor and cultural center on the lower floor) and including provision of a separate cultural center in future in the permit application. The architects have presented floor plans and Site Plan to the Board and will be finalizing the drawings based on the input received. They are currently working on elevation drawings.

Copies of the drawings are posted in the lobby area of the current temple for public information and comments. Very briefly, the temple on the upper floor will have **six worship areas for various deities (along the west wall facing east, from south end to north end): 1. Durga, 2. Shiva-Parvati, Ganesh, Subramanya and Shiva-Linga, 3. Sri Venkateswara, 4. Sri Lakshmi-Narayan 5. Ram Parivaar and Radha-Krishna, and 6. Sai Baba (along north wall facing south). The statue of Saraswati will be on south wall facing north, Navagraha (facing Shiva family) and Hanuman Ji (facing Ram) on the east wall.** Then, there will be a large prayer hall, priest's room, temple kitchen and materials room, library, office, nursery, elevator and two stair cases (one in back and one in front). with about 8000 sq ft of floor space There will also be a large covered open terrace for outside ceremonies. The lower floor will have a large multi-purpose hall (to be used for banquets, cultural programs, Yoga class etc), commercial size kitchen, stage, green room, Bal Mandir, nursery, flower and gift Shop, conference room, mechanical/electrical rooms, coat / shoe room, and men's and ladies restrooms with shower. The total floor area on lower floor will be about 10000 sq ft.

**SlaterPaull has already submitted a letter of intent to the City of Centennial for use of land for a religious facility.** Pre-application for Special Use would be submitted by May 2008 and the formal application for permit would be submitted by late summer. We hope to obtain all permits before the end of the year.

Once SlaterPaull has completed 30% design drawings, we plan to obtain bids for the construction from local construction companies. Thus by Fall of 2008 we should have a good estimate of the construction cost. **As of right now, our best guess is that it will be between \$3 and \$4 million. We need to raise \$2 million before the end of the year 2008, to start construction in early 2009.** We are very hopeful that with God's blessing and your financial support, we will accomplish the goal. Please use the donation form on the last page of Mandir Vani to send your donation/pledge to support this once in a life time community project. May God bless you.



Join in the celebration of  
**Ram Navami Poojaa**  
at **Hindu Temple**  
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### Schedule of Events

#### Saturday, April 12, 2008

Ram Poojaa	10:00 AM
Akhand Paath of Ram Charit Maanas begins	11:00 AM

#### Sunday, April 13, 2008

Akhand Paath of Ram Charit Maanas ends	11:00 AM
Bhajan, Pravachan etc.	11:00 – 12:00 Noon

#### Birth Day Celebration (Sunday, April 13, 2008)

Giving Bath etc. to Lord Ram and Placing him in cradle	12:00 - 12:15
Stotra Reading	12:15 - 12:45
Announcements, Update on New Temple Project	12:45 - 12:50
Arati and Prasad	12:50 – 1:30

If you are interested in participating in Akhand Ramayan Paath, please call **Manohar Arora at 303-568-0746**.

Thank you for your continued participation in our celebrations!

#### **For further details,**

please call Acharyaji at (303) 948-9693 (Temple) or at (720) 344-1448 (Residence).

**Direction: From C-470 & Wadsworth Blvd.** – north on Wadsworth Blvd. West on Chatfield Ave (first light), left on Wadsworth court (first street), first left to the Temple Parking area.

For current activities, please visit the temple web site :

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Shri Shirdi Saibaba Mandir of Rockies  
Cordially invites you with family and friends  
To the grand and auspicious celebration of

# **Sri Ram Navami**

## **Maha Abhishekam Celebrations**

On April 26, 2008 from 4:30 pm – 9:00 pm  
at Southridge Recreation Center  
4800 McArthur Ranch Rd,  
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### **Program Highlights**

Ganesh Puja

Shirdi Saibaba Maha Abhishekam by 101 families

(Each Abhishekam participants receives divine blessings with  
Shawl, Sai Bhavana Book, Prasadam and Saibaba Framed Photo)

Sai Bhajans

Cultural Events

**A donation of \$116/family is required for participation  
in the Abhishekam.**

**For detailed Program Schedule and Information, please contact:**  
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**2008 Festivals Celebration Calendar**

<u>Festival</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>
<b>January 2008</b>			
New Year / (Ganesha Pooja)	01	Tuesday	11 AM
Navagraha Pooja	06	Sunday	11 AM
Lohadi	13	Sunday	
Makar Sankranti / Pongal	14	Monday	11 AM
Poornima/Satyanarayana Katha	22	Tuesday	6:30 PM
<b>February 2008</b>			
Saraswati Pooja (celebration at temple)	10	Sunday	11 AM
Vasanta Panchami	11	Monday	
Poornima /Satyanarayana Katha	20	Wednesday	6:30 PM
<b>March 2008</b>			
Maha Shivaratri	05	Wednesday	8:00 PM
Holashtak Begins	14	Friday	
Holashtak Ends	21	Friday	
Poornima/Satyanarayana Katha	21	Friday	6:30 PM
Holi (celebration at temple)	23	Sunday	11 AM
<b>April 2008</b>			
Hindu New Year – Ugaadi (Vikrama Samvata 2064 begins, Vasanta Navaratra begins)	06	Sunday	11 AM
Durga Ashtami	12	Saturday	
Shri Rama Navami	13	Sunday	Akhand Ramayan Paath begins Saturday, April 12, 11 AM, ends Sunday, April 13, 11 AM)
Poornima /Satyanarayana Katha	19	Saturday	6:30 PM
Shri Hanuman Jayanti	20	Sunday	11 AM
<b>May 2008</b>			
Akshaya Tritiya / Parashurama Jayanti	07	Wednesday	
Adi Shankaracharya Jayanti	11	Sunday	11 AM
Nrisimha Jayanti	18	Sunday	11 AM
Poornima/Satyanarayana Katha	19	Monday	6:30 PM
<b>June 2008</b>			
Graduation Pooja	08	Sunday	11 AM
Ganga Dashami	12	Thursday	
Nirjala Ekadashi	13	Friday	
Poornima /Satyanarayana Katha	17	Tuesday	6:30 PM

## 2008 Festivals Celebration Calendar (Cont'd)

<u>Festival</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>
<b>July 2008</b>			
Devashayini Ekadashi	13	Sunday	
Poornima/Satyanarayana Katha	18	Friday	6:30 PM
Shravana Month begins	19	Saturday	
Guru Poornima (celebration at temple)	20	Sunday	11 AM
<b>August 2008</b>			
Naaga Panchami	05	Tuesday	
Vara – Lakshami	15	Friday	6:30 PM
Upaa-karma	16	Saturday	8:00 AM
Poornima/Satyanarayana Katha	16	Saturday	6:30 PM
Rakshaabandhana (celebration at temple)	17	Sunday	11 AM
Shri Krishna Janmashtami	23	Saturday	6:00 PM
<b>September 2008</b>			
Haritalika Teej Vrat	02	Tuesday	
Vinayaka Chaturthi	03	Wednesday	
Ganesh Chaturthi (celebration at temple)	07	Sunday	11:00 AM
Poornima/(Satyanarayana Katha)	14	Sunday	6:30 PM
Pitri Paksh (Shraddha) Begins	16	Tuesday	
Pitri Paksh (Shraddha) Ends	28	Sunday	
Sharada Navaratri Begins	29	Monday	
<b>October 2008</b>			
Durga Ashtami	07	Tuesday	
Dashahara/Vijaya Dashami	09	Thursday	
(Celebration at temple)	12	Sunday	11:00 AM
Sharad Poornima/Satyanarayana Katha	13	Monday	6:30 PM
Karavaa Chauth	TBD		
Dipawali/Lakshami Pooja	27	Monday	6:00 PM
Govardhana Pooja	28	Tuesday	
Bhaiya Dooja	29	Wednesday	
<b>November 2008</b>			
Tulasi Vivaha	09	Sunday	11 AM
Poornima / Satyanarayana Katha	12	Wednesday	6:30 PM
Guru Nanaka Jayanti	12	Wednesday	
<b>December 2008</b>			
Gita Jayanti/Mokshada Ekadashi	08	Monday	
Poornima /Satyanarayana Katha	12	Friday	6:30 PM

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Arcana of any 5 Deities	\$51	
Arati of any one deity	\$21	
Arati of any 5 deities	\$101	
Sankata Haran Chaturthee	\$31	
Pradosh - Shiva Abhishekam*	\$101	
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Sunday Puja of any deity and/or Havan with Yajman providing Prasad Bhoj	\$161	
Poonimma ight Satya Narayana Puja, Prasad by Yajman	\$51	\$211
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Chandee path (Durga Saptshatee) during Navaratra, one day	\$201	\$211
Birthday Puja	\$161	\$211
Punyahvachan	\$161	
<b>Sanskaaras</b>		\$211
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Yagyopaveet (Janaeu) - Thread Ceremony	\$261	\$601
Vivah (Wedding)	\$751	\$251
Seemantham	\$201	\$211
Last Rite (performed at cremation)		\$211
Shraadh and Pind Dn (at home)		
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