



# EKTA VISION

Newsletter of Bharatiya Ekta Mandir and Indo-American Foundation of Arizona

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## Message from the President

Dear Community Members;

It is with pride that we have come to celebrate 2nd Anniversary of Ekta Mandir Pran Pratishtha and India Festival 2010. We are very happy that many non-profit organizations have joined Foundation to make it a success. Governor of Arizona Jan Brewer and Attorney General Terry Goddard have accepted our invitation and will be at the Festival to interact with our community members. All of this is only possible because of support of many members in our community. Our Community Center and Ekta Mandir are standing tall with Local volunteer support and Local financial contribution. We do not need to seek financial assistance from across the state and across the continent. We are proud that generosity of our local community has helped shape our future.

We still have to complete Indianization of Temple and need to build class rooms and dining hall. Our biggest need is selfless volunteers who can lead and support several activities. We are counting on your participation and financial generosity to pay off our bank loan.

We will have General Body meeting in March 2010 and look forward to change of leadership. I would like to thank every one of you for supporting Symbols of our community unity "Indo-American Community Center and Bharatiya Ekta Mandir, Hindu & Jain Temple". Involvement is the Hallmark of our Community and let us all be part of togetherness.

Dr. Gautam Shah, President, IACRF

**Support Your  
Community Center and  
Hindu-Jain Temple.**

**PLEASE ATTEND  
INDIA FESTIVAL 2010 and  
EKTA MANDIR  
PRAN PRATISHTHA  
2nd ANNIVERSARY  
on Saturday February 20,  
2010 from 8 AM - 9PM.**

Join us for complimentary  
Welcome breakfast at 8 AM  
and Mahaprasad at 8:30 PM  
P2 and P3 for details!

Meet and Greet Photo Opportunity with  
Arizona Governor at 5 PM With Your  
family. P2 for details.

**Sunday March 14, 2010  
IACRF GENERAL BODY  
Meeting for members.  
At 3 PM at Indo-American  
Community Center.**

**Friday, April 2, 2010  
3rd Annual  
Indo-American  
Golf Tournament  
at Raven Golf Club at South Mountain  
3636 E Baseline Rd Phoenix. 1 PM Shotgun.  
Register at [www.azindia.com](http://www.azindia.com)**

## Calendar Of Events

- Sat. February 20, 2010  
India Festival 2010  
P2 for details**
- Sat. February 20, 2010  
Ekta Mandir Pran  
Pratishtha 2nd Anni-  
versary  
P3 for details**
- Sunday, February 28, 2010  
Holi Celebration and  
Holi Ka Dahan  
P1 for details**

- Sunday March 14, 2010  
IACRF GENERAL  
BODY Meeting for  
members. P1 for details**
- Friday, April 2, 2010  
Golf Tournament  
P1 for details**

- Friday April 9, 2010  
Asha Bhosle  
Live in Concert  
P4 for details**

- Friday May 14, 2010  
Jai Ho-Sukhvinder  
Singh Live in  
Concert  
P4 for details**

Please Contact Ekta  
Mandir Priest Joshi ji  
at 602 391 7760 for  
religious Services

**Sunday,  
February 28, 2010  
Holi Celebrations  
Puja starts at 5 PM  
Discourse on Holi in  
English followed by  
Holi Ka Dahan, Aarti,  
and Prasad.**



# INDO-AMERICAN FOUNDATION OF ARIZONA

Working together with sister organizations  
PROUDLY PRESENTS

## INDIA FESTIVAL 2010

Saturday, February 20, 2010 – 11:00 A.M. to 6:45 P.M.  
2809 W. Maryland Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85017

Bring your family & friends for all day Fun, Food & Entertainment!  
**FREE ADMISSION** **FREE ADMISSION**

### Festival Activities

- Food Booths by various non-profit organizations
- Delicious food from various states of India
- Jewelry, Clothing and other Shopping
- Cultural Program All day
- Fun and Games for Kids
- Non-Profit Organization Information

**MORE THAN 4000 ATTENDEES EXPECTED. ARRIVE & PARK EARLY**

Please Contact for :

#### Commercial Booths & Tables

Kulbhushan Chhibber -480 250-0779  
Neha Mallik: 623 451-9041 Subhash Thathi: 480 797-0625

#### Non-Profit org. Food Booths

Achut Kumar-480 628-3081

#### Cultural Programs & Non Profit Tables

Festival 2010 Chair: Kalpana Batni - 480 998 9325



Arizona Governor Jan Brewer will be our Chief Guest at Festival.

### DONATE GENEROUSLY

- Become a Life Member
- Upgrade membership
- Become a Trustee
- Sponsor Puja
- Sponsor Mahaprasad

Please contact Board of Directors to support. Donations are needed to pay for operating expenses of \$30000 per month.

### Festival 2010 Highlights:

**Commercial Booths** - Exciting shopping!! An array of vendors selling costume jewelry, clothing, artifacts & pictures, and much more including insurance agents, realtors and investment advisors

**Non-Profit Booths** - Over 15 non-profit organizations participating in the event. Visit their booths to learn more about who they are, and what services they provide.

**Food Booths** - Taste the exotic tastes of India! Savory items include mouth watering chaat (bhel puri, paani puri, samosa chaat, sev puri), to crisp masala dosas, scrumptious bhature chole, parathas, dahi vadas, hot pakoras, bhajias to delicious Indian pizzas and delicious sweets - hot jalebis, gulab jamuns, ras malai, gajjar halwa, faluda, matka kulfi and much more!!!

**Children's Activities** - Participate in games, arts and crafts and other fun activities

**Cultural Program** - continuous cultural program on stage - Featuring music performances and a variety of dances- classical( Bharatanatyam, Odissi, Kuchipudi and Kathak), Folk dances from- Nepal, Punjab, Rajasthan and Karnataka, Contemporary dances and the ever popular Bollywood numbers!

**Great family fun for all!!!**



## Indo-American Foundation of Arizona

Bharatiya Ekta Mandir Hindu and Jain Temple and Indo-American Community Center

For latest information please visit [www.EktaMandir.org](http://www.EktaMandir.org)

### Regular Temple Hours and Services

Monday thru Friday  
9:00 AM to Noon  
& 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM  
Saturday, Sunday and  
Holidays:  
10:00 AM to 8:00 PM

### Daily Programs

Daily Evening Aarati  
at 7:30 PM  
Monday – Saturday  
and  
at 7:00 PM on Sunday.

### Weekly Programs

Every Tuesday: *Hanuman Chalisa*  
at 7:00 PM  
Every Saturday: *Venkateswara*  
*Suprabhatam and Vishnu Sahas-*  
*ranama from 9:30 AM – 11.00 AM*  
Every 2 Weeks: Pradosh Shiva  
Abhishekam 6 PM– 7 PM ( See  
website for dates)

### Monthly Programs

First Sunday: *Krishna Puja* 5 PM  
Second Sunday: *Ram Puja* 5 PM  
Third Sunday: *Shiva Puja* 5 PM  
Fourth Saturday: *Sri*  
*Venkateshwara Abhishek* 9:30 AM  
Fourth Sunday: *Jain Puja* 5 PM  
*Purnima Satyanarayan Katha* 6PM



## Indo-American Foundation of Arizona

Invites Everyone To

## Ekta Mandir Pran Pratishtha 2nd Anniversary



Saturday, February 20, 2010 from 8:00 AM – 9:00 PM at Ekta Mandir

2804 W. Maryland Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85017

Anniversary celebrations include Sarvadevata Yagna, Maha-Abhishek, Archanas, Special prayers to Deities, Helicopter Pushpavrushti. All are requested to become a sponsor for Havans, Abhishek, Mahaprasad and get divine blessings.

### Hindu Jain Temple Program

9:00 AM- 11:00 AM -Shobha Yatra, Ganesh Puja, Sarvadevata Yajna – for Ganeshji, Navagrah, Lord Shiv, Lord Rama, Lord Krishna and Lord Balaji  
9:45 AM – 11:00AM -Jain Eighteen Abhishek  
11:10 AM-11:30 AM –Aarti to all Deities  
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM –Maha Abhishek Lord Shiva & Balaji  
1:30 PM – 2:30 PM - Dhwoja Arohana, Abhishek  
2:30 PM – 5:30 PM - Pushpavrushti by helicopter  
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM Sarvadevata Puja, MahaAarti

PLEASE JOIN US FOR WELCOME BREAKFAST  
AT 8 AM & FOR MAHA PRASAD AT 8:30 PM

### Sponsorship Opportunities

Pramukh Yajaman - \$5001 (Participate in all events)  
Sthane Yajaman - \$1001 (Participate in Shobayatra, Havan, Puja, MahaAbhishek, Helicopter Pushpavrushti or Shukar Abhishek, Aarti)  
Helicopter Pushpavrushti on Shukar - \$501  
Shukar Kalash Abhishek - \$501  
Havans - \$501, \$101, Shobayatra Kalash - \$101  
Sarvadevata Puja - \$101, MahaAbhishek - \$101  
Mahaprasad/Swamivatsalaya - \$5001, \$1001, \$501  
Evening Maha Aarti - \$101, Day Aarti : \$51  
All day Archana \$11, Abhishek - \$21  
Jain Each Abhishek - \$101 Jain Aarti - Gheeboli



Helicopter  
Pushpavrushti

### For Volunteering, Sponsorship and Participation please contact:

Jagdish Sagar 480 768 1533 : Lalit Patel 480 820 8700 : Kalpana Batni 480 998 9325 : Gautam Shah 602 993 3625 :  
Mahesh Shah 480 922 8384 : Dayaram Ahir 602 952 8007 : Rajeev Sethia 480 726 0681  
Venkatesh Gurumurthy 480 381 9976 : Priest Joshiji 602 391 7760 : Bajarang Agrawal 623-825-7035

### REQUESTS TO DEVOTEES AT EKTA MANDIR

1. Help maintain Silence during program 2. Watch Children for Safety 3. Wear proper attire for Temple

**Temple**

**Location:**

2804 W. Maryland Ave,  
Phoenix, AZ 85017  
Phone 602-246-3420  
(602-2-INDIA-0)

**Community**

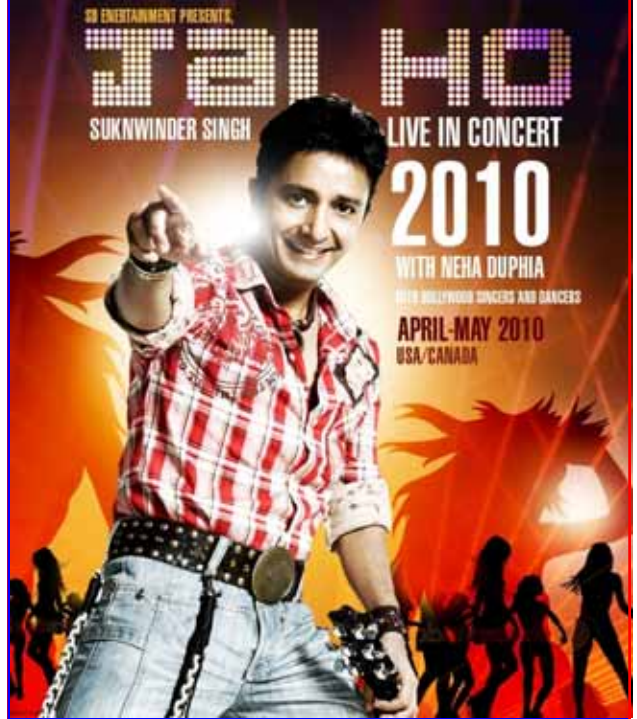
**Center Location**

2809 W. Maryland Ave,  
Phoenix, AZ 85017  
Phone 602-347-5611,  
(602-647-3398—Cell)

**DIRECTIONS:**

Take I-17; Bethany Home  
Road exit (West), Right  
on 27<sup>th</sup> Ave., Left on  
Maryland Ave.

Temple on the right and  
Community Center on left



**PLEASE  
ATTEND  
CONCERTS &  
SUPPORT  
COMMUNITY  
CENTER and  
TEMPLE**

**Friday April 9, 2010  
at Phoenix Symphony Hall  
BY POPULAR DEMAND of FANS  
IN PHOENIX.  
RD BURMAN's 15 Member  
Orchestra with  
Asha Bhosle & Sudesh Bhosle.**

Please visit [www.ektamandir.org](http://www.ektamandir.org)

**2nd Bollywood concert on  
Friday, May 14, 2010 at Symphony Hall in  
Phoenix JAI HO - group of 30 artists  
with SUKHWINDER SINGH and  
Neha Duphia with singers and dancers.**



**IACRF- BEMA OFFICERS**

**President:** Gautam Shah

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