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Sri Maharudra Yagnam 2019

Special Edition



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GRAND SRI MAHA RUDRA YAGNA THREE

DAYS GRAND EVENT June 21/22/23, 2019 at Shirdi Sai Darbar in Sunnyvale.

Priceless Opportunity to the Maha Rudra Yajna right here in the Bay Area. Performed in the most authentic Maharnava Uktha by 121 Ritwiks, 11 Pandits, 1331 Rudram Chanting and 133 Rudra Homams, Sai Moola mantra Homams. Rare opportunity to contribute to the all wish fulfilling, Lalitha Sahasranama Archana by 108 Suvasinis & Shirdi Sai Satya Vrat Puja by Minimum 108 Families.

Sponsorship

- Grand Sponsorship for the entire Sri Maha Rudra Yagnam - \$50001 and above
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- Sponsorship for One Priest/Ritwik for Yagnam - \$2001 / \$2501
- General Sponsorship for any Yagnam - \$1100
- General Sponsorship for this Maha event - \$201 / \$151

➤ Day 1 : Date (Friday) June 21st, 2019

Morning 9.30 AM – Noon 12.00 PM :

Ganapati Homam and Navagraha Homam

Evening 7.00 PM – 9.00 PM :

Deep Laxmi Puja, Lalitha Sahasranamam and Kumkum Archana (By Suhasinis)

➤ Day 2 : Date (Saturday) June 22nd, 2019

Morning 7.30 AM – Noon 1.00 PM : Guru Vandana

Puja, Maha Ganapati Puja, Maha Sangalpam, Punyaha

Vachan, Mahanyasam, Kalasha Stapan,

Ekadasa Rudra Parayan (By Ritwiks), Maha Arti and

Maha Prasad am

Evening 2.00 PM – 8.00 PM: Cultural Program (

Front of Sai Baba), Rudra Kramarchan Puja, Asta

Avadhana Seva, Maha Arti and Maha Prasadam

➤ Day 3: Date (Sunday) June 23rd, 2019

Morning 8.30 AM – Noon 12.00 PM :

Sai Moola mantra Homam, Maha Rudra Homam

Jayadhi Homam, Vasordhara Maha Purnahuti (Using 11

Kundams), Maha Abhishekam (Using 121 Kalasha's),

Acharya Sambhavana (Ritwik Recognitions) and Maha

Prasadam

Evening 7.00 PM – 8.30 PM: June 23, Sunday.

108 Kalasha Stapan, Sri Sai Satya Virat Puja (By

Devotees) and Maha Prasadam

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REQUEST from TEMPLE MANAGEMENT

Aum Namah Shivaya!

Namaste!

Shirdi Sai Darbar, Sunnyvale, CA is organizing Sri Maharudram Yagnam, a grand, rare and unique Hindu Vedic ritual that will be performed during the Weekend (Jun 21st to Jun 23rd 2019) on the occasion of temple's 8th Anniversary.

Sri Rudram recitation is one of the most sacred and powerful Vedic hymns devoted to Lord Shiva, Who destroys evil and bestows Bliss, Peace and Harmony on the devotees and the entire community as proclaimed in the Vedas and Puraanaas. When the recitation is accompanied with the Vedic fire ritual, it is called the Rudra Yagnam. Witnessing and participating in this holy Yagnam is a rare opportunity for most.

Hence, management humbly requests all to participate and volunteer in large numbers along with family and friends and seek His blessings and of learned Priests from various parts of US.

“Lokah Samastah Sukhino Bhavantu” “Om Shanthi, Shanthi, Shanthi”

MAHA RUDRA YAGNAM FACTS

- Main Priests: 11
- Ritwiks: 121
- Kalashas: 121
- Recitations: 1331
- Abhishekham Duration: 8 hrs
- No. of Pujas:
- SriRudra Japam Duration:
- Devotees:
- Sponsors:
- Volunteers:
- Blessings: Infinite
- Bliss: Infinite

OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

For volunteering in the below areas

- Help Desk
- Ritwik Registration Desk
- Transportation of Priests / Ritwiks
- Helping Pandits / Ritwiks
- Puja Setup
- Line / Crowd Control
- Cooking
- Prasad Seva
- Post Event Cleanup
- Audio / Video managing



Rudram means Dukham-eliminator, paapam-eliminator. The word 'Rudram' is derived from two words - 'Rud' and 'Ra'. 'Rud' means dukham (sorrow) or paapam (sin, demerit). 'Rud' also means the cause of dukham or pApam. What is the cause of sorrow or sin? It is agnyanam (ignorance). 'Ra' means eliminator. Lord Siva gets the name Rudra because he removes sorrow and sin and also the cause of it, which is ignorance



SRI MAHARUDRAM

Glimpse of the Great Yagnam

Ganesha Puja/Homa

Lord Ganesha is the Lord of Remover of Obstacles. All Hindu rituals and auspicious acts are undertaken by seeking His blessings at first and with His grace, all disturbances that may arise from within us and outside of us can be overcome.

Punyaha vachana (meant for purifying our surroundings)

Punyaha vachanam is a vedic ritual for purifying ourselves and our surroundings. This is the Pooja of the lord of water. We chant some mantras laying a hand on Kalasha (an earthen or metal pot filled with water) so as to purify it, which then becomes the holy water. This holy water is first sprinkled to purify our surroundings and then few drops (handful) of it are swallowed to purify our body. Punyaha vachana helps to enhance our life and bring prosperity.

Why Homa?

A Homa is a ritual performed with fire. It is also called “Havan” or “Yajna”. Our body is considered to be made up of five elements – Earth, Water, Fire, Air and Space. Of these, “Fire” is considered as the symbol of energy which brings forth creation and life. Hence, worship of “Fire” or “Agni” has been practiced by our ancestors since the Vedic ages. It is believed that various gods come into the fire and receive the prayers and offerings that are poured into the sacred fire. The subtle body is sustained by the Bhuta Agni which helps to attain spiritual awakening. Over time, the “Bhuta Agni” is weakened due to clogs caused by feelings such as desire, anger, greed, ego, lust and jealousy. It is considered that the “Homa” or ritual with the external fire helps to strengthen/rekindle and energize this “Bhuta Agni” towards the spiritual goals.

ABHISHEKAM FACTS

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| ॐ PANCHAGAVYAM - Removes all sins | ॐ LIME JUICE - Removes fear of death |
| ॐ PANCHAMRUTHAM - Gives wealth | ॐ TENDER COCONUT JUICE - Gives enjoyment / full satisfaction in life |
| ॐ GHEE- Gives Moksha state | ॐ MILK - Gives long life |
| ॐ CURD - Gives Good Children | ॐ HONEY - Melodious voice |
| ॐ RICE POWDER - Frees from debts | ॐ COOKED RICE (ANNAM) - Gives Majestic life |
| ॐ SANDAL PASTE - Gives MahaLakshmi's Grace | ॐ SUGAR - Removes enmity |



SRI MAHARUDRAM

Glimpse of the Great Yagnam

Navagraha Homa

This homa is done to worship the 9 planets i.e. The Sun, The Moon, The Mars, The Mercury, The Jupiter, The Venus, The Saturn, The Rahu & The Ketu. Sun god bestows health, Moon Rules over mind and gives success, Mars Gives prosperity & wealth, Mercury Gives knowledge, Jupiter Gives education, Venus Knowledge of arts, music etc, Saturn bestows happiness, Rahu makes life stronger, Ketu Prospers the family. The head of navagraha is Sun. Navagraha homa is considered one of the auspicious homa to remove any Navagra Doshha and to get blessings of all the 9 planets.

Sri Rudram is also known as Namakam because of the abounding namaskArms (namaha) contained in it, Chamakam is so called on account of the recurrence of the words "cha mey" meaning "Lord grant me this and this". The first canto of Sri Rudram seeks the grace of Rudra who is angered by those not following His injunctions (dharma) In the second through the nine cantos the devotee bows unto Him as Sarveshvara, Sarvaatma and Sarvaantaryaami, the 300 glorious names of the lord, Rudra trisati, is derived from these eight cantos.

In the tenth canto ,He is prayed for specific favors. And in the eleventh, the devotee prays to the Rudra Ganas which are His manifestations. Chamakam is placed in the fourth kAnda and seventh prapataka of the Yajur Veda. It lists 347 items that are requested from the lord ,from food and other material requirements to the highest of spiritual goals.

MahAnyAsam

Before the commencement of the Rudra Japa and abhishekam to the Lord, as a specific mantra, MahAnyAsam, is recited. The term nyAsa relates to the assignment of various parts of the body (from head to foot) of the recite to different Devas, which is usually accompanied by prayers and corresponding mudras. It is specially to invoke all the divine aspects of Rudra in ones body. There are some variations in the way this is practised even among Krishna Yajur Vedins. What ever the format; this recitation and procedure takes about a hour for an experienced pundit.

Maha Rudra Yagnam

It is one of the highest forms of community worship, with the involvement of 121 Ritwiks reciting the Sri Rudra Mantra 11 times , totaling 1,331 times followed by one tenth (133) recitations for the purpose of the homa.

When we think of Lord Shiva invariably we get the image of "Shiva Lingam". In temples, the Linga is portrayed as Lingodbhava Murti with an unending top and bottom signifying the infinitude of the Paramaatman! In this Lingam, the entire universe is personified. If this Lingam is pleased by devotion, the universe is (filled with peace and love) That is why constant abhishekam to Siva as an expression of our bhakti. Very rarely a Yagnam of this significance and magnitude can be witnessed and the opportunity for the people to actually participate in the worship. It is also done particularly for the sake of washing away ones sins and afflictions, for bringing peace, prosperity and family happiness.

Shiva UpachArA Puja During pujas, several upachArAs are offered to the lord . One important component following the abhishekam is archana to the Lord. This is performed by reciting the glorious names of the Lord ranging from ashtotra satanAmAvali (108 names-Shiva ashtotram, bilva ashtotram) SahasranAma (1000 names) ,Trishati (300 names) etc.



SRI MAHARUDRAM

Rudra Homa

At the end of the Rudra japa, one tenth of the recitation is performed as Rudra Homa. Oblations are offered for each of the 37 riks (of cantos 1,10 and 11) and 130 yajus (of cantos 2 to 9 and the last line of canto 11) of Sri Rudram followed by an oblation for each canto of Chamakam. The total number of Sri Rudram recitations for the purpose of the homa is one tenth of the total number of Sri Rudram recitations 1,331 in the case of Maha Rudram. It is generally accomplished by performing the homa in eleven kundAs. Oblations are offered usually with ghee and samits (sacred wood sticks).

VasordhAra & PurnAhuti:

The final part of the homa is the purnAhuti and vasordhAra. As mentioned earlier, the chamakam occurs as the seventh prapataka of the fourth kAnda of the Yajur Veda. This prapataka describes the pouring of ghee into the sacred fire with a wooden ladle made of oudhumbari wood, popularly known as vasordhara. For the purpose of this rite the entire chamakam is considered as one instead of 11 cantos. The long string comprising of all the 347 items of chamakam are prayed for in this chant. In summary, Rudra japa is the best sadhana (ritual) for attaining both material and spiritual benefits from the Almighty.

KNOWLEDGE CORNER

SishyA:

What are the marks of a real teacher (Sadguru)?

Guru:

Steady abidance in the Self, looking at all with an equal eye, unshakeable courage at all times, in all places and circumstances, etc.

SishyA:

What are the marks of an earnest disciple (sadsisya)?

Guru:

An intense longing for the removal of sorrow and attainment of joy and an intense aversion for all kinds of mundane pleasure.

SishyA:

What are the rules of conduct which an aspirant (sadhaka) should follow?

Guru:

Moderation in food, moderation in sleep and moderation in speech.

- from Ramanashram's Spiritual Instruction



SRI MAHARUDRAM

Our Sincere Thanks to....

Maharudram Sponsors and Volunteers

*****Puja Cost Free & Free blessed Saree to all Suvasinis participants in Maha Lakshmi Deepam puja on Friday June 21, 2019**

(All Puja items will be provided)

Puja Cost Free & Free Blessed Shirdi Sai Idol to All participants in Shirdi Sai Vrat Puja on June 23, 2019

(All Puja items will be provided)

*****All Ritwik's will be getting (Dhoti Set,shawl,Panchpatra set for Achaman, Silver covered rudrakash Mala & Prasad Pack)**

Anyone Donating Amount \$2001 and more will be getting blessed Maha Rudra Yagna Prasad, depending on the Level of Donation, Special Prasad varies for Donor \$50k & More.

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We are raising funds for the construction of a Permanent temple for Baba and all deities. Donors of 1 million \$ and above will have their names inscribed in any one of the three temple halls.

Grand Platinum Sponsorship for Temple: \$ 501K

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Grand Sponsorship for the entire Sri Maha Rudra Yagnam: \$50001 and above (Maha Yajaman)

Grand Sponsorship for One entire Yagnam: \$5001 and above [Yajaman for 11 Ganaas]

Sponsorship for One Priest / Ritwik for Yagnam: \$2001 / \$2501 (Pradaan Kalash)

General Sponsorship for any Yagnam: \$1100

General Sponsorship for all 3 days Prasadam: \$25000

Any Amount of \$101 & above can be donated towards Maha Rudra Jagnam 3 Day Event.

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Million Dollar Pillar	\$ 1 mil Or more	Dedicated Pillar 12x12x84 inches
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Platinum Arch	\$ 25,001 to \$ 50,000	8x12 inches
Gold Arch	\$ 15,001 to \$ 25,000	6x12 inches
Silver Arch	\$ 5,001 to \$ 15,000	4x12 inches
Bronze Arch	\$2001 to \$ 5,000	2x12 inches

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1. Cash/ Check in the name of "SHIRDI SAI DARBAR" in Any Donation box/Hundi inside Shirdi Sai Darbar Temple.
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3. Mail Check in the name of "SHIRDI SAI DARBAR" to temple address, 255 San Geronimo Way, Sunnyvale, CA 94085.
4. PayPal / (Details on www.shirdisaidarbar.org), use Any Donation option and add comments about the purpose.
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KNOWLEDGE CORNER

Sishya:

What is the significance of the saying that the nature of the real Guru is that of the Supreme Lord (Sarvesvara)?

Guru:

In the case of the individual soul which desires to attain the state of true knowledge or the state of Godhood (*Isvara*) and with that object always practises devotion, when the individual's devotion has reached a mature stage, the Lord who is the witness of that individual soul and identical with it, comes forth in human form with the help of *sat-chit-ananda*, His three natural features, and form and name which he also graciously assumes, and in the guise of blessing the disciple, absorbs him in Himself. According to this doctrine the *Guru* can truly be called the Lord.

- from Ramanashram's Spiritual Instruction

SRI MAHA RUDRA YAGNA SCHEDULE

Day 1: June 21, 2019, Friday (Lalitha Sahasranam Suhasinis Puja Cost Free, All Puja Items will be Provided)

Morning 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Ganapati Homam,
Navagraha Homam

Evening 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Deep Laxmi Puja,
Lalitha Sahasranamam,
Kumkum Archana (By Suhasinis)

Day 2: June 22, 2019, Saturday

Morning 7:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Guna Vandana Puja,
Maha Ganapati Puja,
Maha Sangalpam,
Punyaha Vachan,
Mahanyasam,
Kalasha Stapan,
Ekadasa Rudra Parayan (By Ritwicks),
Maha Arti & Maha Prasadam

Evening 2:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Cultural Program (Front of Sai Baba),
Rudra Kramarchan Puja,
Asta Avadhana Seva,
Maha Arti & Maha Prasadam

Day 3: June 23, 2019, Sunday (Shirdi Sai Vrat Puja Cost Free, All Puja Items will be Provided)

Morning 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Sri Sai Moola mantra Homam
Maha Rudra Deepam
Jayadhi Homam
Vasordhara Maha Purnahuti (Using 11
Kundams)
Maha Abhishekham (Using 121 Kalasha's)
Acharya Sambhavana (Ritwik Recognitions) &
Maha Prasadam

Evening 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

108 Kalasha Stapanam
Sri Shirdi Sai Virat Puja (By Devotees) & Maha
Prasadam

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At The feet of master

Sai Sevak, **Everything for Sai**

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