

Philadelphia Ganesh Festival, 3rd Year 2007

Program Guide

Sunday, Sept. 16, 2007

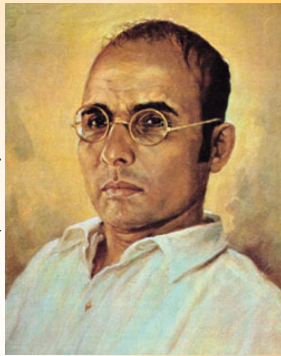
10:00 AM—2:00 PM:

Philadelphia Marathi Mandal Program

2:00 PM Onwards

Veer Savarkar (2001)

A great movie on the life of Legendary revolutionary, visionary, social and religious reformer, poet, dramatist and intellectual writer, leader and devote son of Mother India, Vinayak Damodar Savarkar (1883-1966). *A true Bharat Ratna!*



Superb epic like saga of India's most lesser known firebrand

revoluntary, Vinayak Damodar Savarkar. Begins with his forming of his group "Abhinav Bharat", his going to England to study law under his mentor and later his disciple, Pandit Shyamji. He idolises revoluntaries like Micheal Collins (Ireland) and Gianluca Mazzini (Italy). Very Soon

he is arrested and sent back to India for writing Anti-British Books and publishing them. He tries but is fails in excaping from the ship that is deporting him to India Via Marseillies. He is specially tried without any defence and is sentenced to 50 years of double life sentence, "Kala Pani", in The Andaman



and Nicobar islands. Here he is both mentally and physically tortured by the Jailor (Tom Alter). After 11 years he is deported back to indian mainland and kept in the Ratnagiri jail. He is later freed on conditions that he does not join any poiltical activity. The most talked about scene is the confrontation scene between Savarkar and Gandhi. The other worthwile scene is the scene between Savarkar and Subhash Bose. Superb outstanding performance by Shalendra Gaur as Vinayak Savarkar. A superb debut effort by Ved Rahi.

6.45 PM—7.30 PM **Atharvashirsha & Aarti**

6.30 PM—8:00 PM **Archanas**

6 PM—8.30 PM **Maha Prasad**

7:45 PM—10:00 PM

Superman Meets Hanuman

Hilarious Drama in English by Dr. Nerurkar's Kalabhavan group. The theme of this drama is a surprise that should keep you guessing till the opening day.



Dr. Meena Nerurkar leads Kalabhavan Group. She is also president of US chapter of Marathi Natya Parishad. She is an accomplished director, actress and producer of many successful dramas & musicals. She received the prestigious 'Din anath Mangeshkar Pratishthan' award few years ago from Lata Mangeshkar. Always ready to extend a helping hand for a good cause, Meena-ji helped raise more

than \$800,000 in past 2 decades.

Superman meets Hanuman

What will happen if 2 superpowers of the Universe meet in this era of globalization? This is a theme of a fantasy comedy written and directed by Dr. Meena Nerurkar and performed by talented children of Bharatiya Temple clan. Embellished by appropriate costumes and music this is going to be a treat to watch. So forget your worries at home and learn a few things about Hindu beliefs and American folk-tale in a fun way.

Play time 1 hour and 15 minutes

Characters

Superman - Aniruddha Nadkarni

Hanuman - Yash Ambegaonkar

Kris - Heramba Gopi

Kids - Ishita Date, Anuraag Nadkarni, Puja Samant, Ishan Nerurkar, Kavita Kute, Sangeetha Gopi, Smriti and Shikha Shah

Accompanying adults - Priyadarshini Velu, Kedar Gidh, Sharmila Gidh, Asheesh Nadkarni and Saurin Shah

Music - Prashant Thakare, Dr. Anil Nerurkar

Costumes - Viju Joshi, Mayuresh Dresswala