



Vasant Panchami Celebrations (Saraswati Puja)



Celebrations

At

Bharatiya Temple Inc.

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Saturday, January 31st, 2009

6:00 PM Saraswati Puja performed by Children and other sponsors
7:00 PM Sarva Devata Arati & Prasad

(Please dress up in yellow garments)

Suggested donation for Puja: \$11 (Free for Bharatiya Vidyalaya Children)

Vasant Panchami is a festival that worships Goddess Saraswati as well as it signifies the beginning of Vasant Ritu (spring season). Magh Sud 5 (5th day of the bright fortnight of the lunar month of Magh - falls usually in the month of January or February) is the day of Vasant Panchami and is also celebrated as Shree Panchami or Saraswati Puja in West Bengal and few other parts of Orissa. On this day Goddess Saraswati is worshipped in various names and fames - the Goddess of Learning, the deity of Gayatri, the fountain of fine arts and science, and the symbol of supreme vedantic knowledge. The image of Goddess Saraswati depicts her sitting on a vehicle that symbolizes her supreme power. The white swan of Saraswati symbolizes Satwa Guna (purity and discrimination), the lotus of Lakshmi the Rajas Guna and the tiger of Durga the Tamas Guna. Saraswati is shown possessing four hands and plays "Veena", an Indian string musical instrument.

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