



Sri Siva Vishnu Temple

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COVID-19 Temple Operations: As of publication, **normal temple hours have resumed**. As a precautionary measure, devotees are to continue wearing face masks, and maintaining 6-feet distance. The temple kitchen remains open to devotees.

Kaaradaiyaan Nombu

Monday, March 14, 2022

Kaaradaiyaan Nombu, or Savitri Vratam, is a Tamil observance in which the married woman prays for the well-being and long life for her husband. It is on the date of March 14, 2022, and the time of breaking fast and wear Saradu is 2:51 PM. It is observed on the particular day when the transition between the Tamil months of Maasi and Panguni takes place. Kaaraadai is the name of a unique neivedya (holy offering) prepared on this day. Nombu means Vratam or upavasam (fasting).

Panguni Uttiram Day

Friday, March 18, 2022

Panguni Uttiram (the day Uttara phalguni star occur in the Meena solar month) is one of the rare festivals that have significance for several deities in our temple. It is the Jayanti (day of incarnation) of Lord Ayyappa, the day Sri Valli married Lord Subrahmanya, the day that Goddess Mahalakshmi incarnated on Earth from the ocean of milk, and the day Goddess Parvathi, in the form of Kamakshi (or Gowri), married Lord Siva in Kanchipuram. It is only fitting that we celebrate this festival in our temple with all the religious grandeur so that our congregation can receive the blessings of many Gods and Goddesses.

9:00 am Ganesha Puja, Kalasa Puja

9:30 am Subrahmanya Abhisheka, Tiruppugazh

10:00 am Ayyappa Puja, Mahalakshmi Abhisheka, Archana, Gadya Traya Parayana

6:00 pm Kamakshi-Kameswaran Kalyana Utsava

5:30 pm Mahalakshmi Puja by devotees

Sponsorship: \$61 - All day Puja; \$31 - Mahalakshmi Puja by Devotees OR any one Abhisheka OR any one Kalyanotsava

Panguni Uttiram Celebration

Saturday, March 19, 2022

10:30 am Valli Kalyanam

Sponsorship: \$31

Ugadi Day

Friday, April 1, 2022

9:15 am Sivagni

9:30 am Ganapathi Homa, Utsava Ganesha and Utsava Srinivasa Abhishekas, Ananthapadmanabha Abhisheka

10:00 am Siva Abhisheka

6:00 pm Vishesh Arathi to all Deities, Panchanga Patanam (reading of the Almanac)

Ugadi Celebration

Saturday, April 2, 2022

7:00 am Suprabhatam

8:00 am Ananthapadmanabha, Sri Venkateshwara, and Ayyappa Abhishekas

8:15 am Sivagni

9:00 am Siva Abhisheka

10:00 am Panchanga Patanam (reading of the Almanac)

10:45 am Srinivasa Kalyana Utsava

Sponsorship: \$75 - All Pujas; \$51 - Kalyana Utsava; \$31 - one Abhisheka OR one Homa

Vasanth Navarathri

Friday, April 1 - Sunday, April 10, 2022



Navarathris are important festival days for Goddess Devi (the Divine Mother). The Goddess who appears in the fierce (Ugram) form (to destroy our sins) in autumn appears in a peaceful and benevolent form in the spring. Hence by worshipping Her during the two Navarathris one destroys one's sins and begets peace and prosperity.

Daily Program:

11:00 am Trishati Archana, Durga Sapta Shati Parayana

7:15 pm Lalitha Sahasranama Archana, Deeparadhana, Mahishasura Mardini Stotra, Devi Namaskara

Note: Evening Puja will begin at 6:00 PM on Saturdays - April 2, 3, and 9. There is no evening puja on the concluding day - Sunday, April 10

Special Pujas:

Friday, April 1, 2022

9:30 am Maha Ganapathi Homa, Mritsangrahana, Ankooraarpana, Purvanga Puja, Durga, Lakshmi, Saraswathi Aavaahana, Sri Sukta Homa

10:30 am Mahalakshmi Abhisheka

Saturday, April 2, 2022

9:30 am Medha Sukta Homa

10:30 am Sarada Abhisheka

Sunday, April 3, 2022

7:00 am Chandi Homa

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RELIGIOUS CALENDAR (Visit our website for Livestream Schedule)

March 2022

Fri 4	10:00 AM	Parvati Abhisheka
Sat 5	9:30 AM	Ganesha Homa - Chaturthi
	10:30 AM	Ganesha Abhisheka - Chaturthi
	6:00 PM	Srinivasa Kalyanam
Mon 7	10:00 AM	Subrahmanya Abhisheka - Shashti
Tue 8	10:00 AM	Utsava Subrahmanya Abhisheka - Kritika
Wed 9	10:00 AM	Krishna Abhisheka - Rohini
Fri 11	10:00 AM	Sarada Abhisheka
Sun 13	10:00 AM	Sri Rama Abhisheka - Punarvasu
	5:00 PM	Ananthapadmanabha Abhisheka - Ekadashi
Tue 15	7:00 PM	Siva Abhisheka - Pradosham
Thu 17	10:00 AM	Andal Abhisheka - Poorva Phalguni
	7:00 PM	Satyanarayana Puja - Poomima
Fri 18		PANGUNI UTTIRAM DAY - SEE DETAILS
	10:00 AM	Ayyappa Puja - Uttara Phalguni
	6:00 PM	Kamakshi Kalyanam
	7:15 PM	Bhagavati Seva
Sat 19	10:30 AM	Valli Kalyanam - PANGUNI UTTIRAM CELEBRATION
Sun 20	10:00 AM	Ayyappa Puja
Mon 21	9:30 AM	Ganesha Homa - Sankatahara Chaturthi
	9:30 AM	Sudarshana / Yoga Narasimha Homa - Swathi
	10:30 AM	Sudarshana / Yoga Narasimha Abhisheka - Swathi
	7:00 PM	Ganesha Abhisheka - Sankatahara Chaturthi
Tue 22	10:00 AM	Utsava Subrahmanya Abhisheka - Vishakha
Wed 23	10:00 AM	Subrahmanya Abhisheka - Shashti
Thu 24	10:00 AM	Anjaneya Abhisheka - Mula
Fri 25	10:00 AM	Durga Abhisheka
Sun 27	9:30 AM	Navagraha Homa
	10:00 AM	Utsava Srinivasa Abhisheka - Shravana
	10:30 AM	Navagraha Abhisheka - Pradosham
Mon 28	7:00 PM	Ananthapadmanabha Abhisheka - Ekadashi
Tue 29	7:00 PM	Siva Abhisheka - Pradosham

April 2022

Fri 1		UGADI DAY - SEE DETAILS
		VASANTHA NAVARATRI BEGINS - SEE DETAILS
Sat 2		UGADI CELEBRATION - SEE DETAILS

Sun 3	7:00 AM	CHANDI HOMA / DURGA ABHISHEKA
Mon 4	9:30 AM	Ganesha Homa - Chaturthi
	10:00 AM	Utsava Subrahmanya Abhisheka - Kritika
	10:30 AM	Ganesha Abhisheka - Chaturthi
Wed 6	10:00 AM	Subrahmanya Abhisheka - Shashti
	10:00 AM	Krishna Abhisheka - Rohini
Fri 8	10:00 AM	Parvati Abhisheka
Sat 9	5:00 PM	Sri Rama Abhisheka - Utsava Murthy - Punarvasu
Sun 10		SRI RAMA NAVAMI DAY & FESTIVAL BEGINS - SEE DETAILS
		VASANTHA NAVARATRI CONCLUDES
Tue 12	7:00 PM	Ananthapadmanabha Abhisheka - Ekadashi
Wed 13	10:00 AM	Andal Abhisheka - Poorva Phalguni
	7:00 PM	Siva Abhisheka - Pradosham
Thu 14		TAMIL & TULU NEW YEARS - SEE DETAILS
		VISHU KANI - SEE DETAILS
Fri 15	10:00 AM	Sarada Abhisheka
	7:00 PM	Satyanarayana Puja - Poomima
	7:15 PM	Bhagavati Seva
Sat 16		MEENAKSHI KALYANAM - SEE DETAILS
		<i>Rest of April in April Newsletter</i>

WEEKLY ABHISHEKAS

Monday:	9:30 AM	Ganesha, Sri Rama
Tuesday:	9:30 AM	Durga, Anjaneya
Wednesday:	9:30 AM	Andal, Sarada, Navagrahas
Thursday:	9:30 AM	Krishna, Subrahmanya
Friday:	9:30 AM	Mahalakshmi, Parvati, Sudarsana/Yoga Narasimha
Saturday:	10:15 AM	Venkateswara

DAILY ABHISHEKAS

Daily:	9:30 AM	Ayyappa, Ananthapadmanabha
	10:00 AM	Siva

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[YouTube Channel - 2](#)

[Cultural Committee YouTube Channel](#)

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Annual and Lifetime Puja Sponsorship

एकं सद्भिप्रा बहुधा वदन्ति (Ekam Sat Vipraha Bahuda Vadanti)

- Rig Veda (1.164.46)

The truth is one; but the wise, talk of many.

The one God, in His/Her infinite compassion, takes on several forms (*Ishta Devata* – personal God) to fulfill the needs and aspirations of His/Her devotees. Sri Siva Vishnu Temple was founded on this principle of having several *Ishta Devatas* to meet the needs of a wide range of devotees. Worship of *Ishta Devata* and *Kula Devata* (Family Deity) is a special tradition to all Hindus. Supporting the rituals to various Deities according to one's choice and ability not only helps in maintaining this tradition, but it is recommended by the scriptures as one's duty. By supporting such activities in the temple, benefits accrue to the masses, and it sets a good example for future generations to follow.

Certain pujas are not conducive to be performed at home on a regular basis (ex. Siva Abhisheka, Padi Puja for Lord Ayyappa, or Butter Alankara for Lord Anjaneya) but are easily possible in a temple setting. Our scriptures place an emphasis on doing Pujas for the various deities on important days at the appropriate time (thithis); but due to schedules and other responsibilities, devotees may not be able to personally participate in these activities.

Supporting the worship of your *Ishta Devatas* on important days during the year has been made easy through the *Annual and Lifetime Sponsorship Program* at SSVT. Sponsorship of your favorite deities will ensure that Pujas are done on your behalf on special days regardless of if you are present on that day. These tax-deductible sponsorship donations are at a discount compared to sponsorship of individual programs during the course of the year. Annual sponsorships are valid for one year from the date of sponsorship. Lifetime sponsorships are valid in perpetuity and are deposited into the Sri Siva Vishnu Temple Endowment.

You have helped build one of the largest temples in the United States; now consider extending the same generosity to ensure its future. Sponsor an *Ishta Deity* for a year, or in perpetuity and preserve Dharma today and for the future.

“धर्मो रक्षति रक्षितः” meaning *Dharma protects those who protect Dharma*.

For more information and sponsorship details – please contact Manager Ananth Iyengar at puja@ssvt.org or by phone at

(301) 552-3335. Thank you for your support!

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About Sri Siva Vishnu Temple (SSVT):

Located outside of Washington D.C., Sri Siva Vishnu Temple is a premier Hindu temple with a congregation and community base of tens of thousands of Indian Americans, Hindu Americans and devotees across the globe. The temple houses several Sannidhis (shrines) which were consecrated between 1990 and 2002. As a non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization, SSVT serves the religious, cultural, and educational needs of the Hindu community and has represented the Hindu American community.

Support our temple while shopping online - search for and add **Sri Siva Vishnu Temple Trust** as your charity to support on [AmazonSmile](#) and contribute while making purchases
SSVT Combined Federal Campaign Number: 47090

COVID-19 Operations

The following procedures continue to remain in place for all devotees and visitors:

- Face masks (for all visitors 2 years and above) and 6 feet distance must be maintained at all times
- Devotees who are feeling unwell or have a fever are encouraged to refrain from visiting the temple.
- The Temple Kitchen is open!

Temple Hours

Monday - Friday	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Saturday - Sunday	9:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Puja Sponsorships are available online or by calling (301) 552-3335.	

Chairperson's Corner

After two full years of experiencing the COVID-19 pandemic, we are finally seeing the light at the end of the tunnel. With many people vaccinated, boosted, and taking precautions, it truly seems like we are rounding a corner for the better. As we welcome the Spring season, I hope our temple becomes a meeting place for families, and friends – creating a vibrant environment of spirituality, connection, and well-being. I am sincerely thankful to our Board of Trustees, the Operations Committee, and the COVID-19 Advisory Task Force for their relentless pursuit in creating a safe environment for our priests, staff, volunteers, and congregation members. Sincere credit goes to our devotees who have followed our processes and protocols meticulously and have adhered to all recommended safety precautions without hesitation over the past two years.

While it's not completely over, the pandemic has also magnified many areas in our temple we need to address, including financial uncertainty. One of the best ways for surviving a crisis like this pandemic, and for the long-term sustenance of our temple is to have a robust endowment fund. Endowment funds, when planned and managed appropriately, sends a message of long-term stability, and creates financial independence. It can also offer the donor a sense of immortality as it extends the donor's contributions towards future generations. The Board of Trustees is working diligently to create an action plan to ensure our endowment is financially stable, risk-averse, and ensures our temple can serve many future generations.

Early in the pandemic, we created the monthly-recurring donation program that many of you participated in. Your contributions helped establish our virtual puja services over Zoom, YouTube, and Facebook. It also helped ensure we could take the necessary precautions to reopen the temple in July 2020 by purchasing extra cleaning supplies, hand sanitizers, face masks and shields, and other equipment for our priests, staff, and volunteers. Your contributions helped us conduct successful food drives to help members in our immediate Lanham Maryland community. I humbly request you to consider renewing your monthly donation. If you did not contribute before, I hope you will take this opportunity to consider supporting our temple on a monthly, recurring basis. No amount is too small, whether it is \$35 a month or \$1001, your contribution will make an impact as we look forward to resuming many in-person activities. [Click here](#) to renew or start your recurring contribution to our temple. Your tax-deductible contribution will help us every month as we continue to serve the spiritual needs of the Hindu community in the Greater Washington D.C. region.

Maha Sivaratri, "The Great Night of Lord Siva" was celebrated on February 28th through March 1st at the temple with all its spiritual significance. I really appreciate the priests, staff, and volunteers who helped celebrate Sivaratri in all its traditional fervor and authenticity at the temple. As part of this years Sivaratri celebrations, our temple is planning to make "Swarna Tiryak Pundram" and offer to Lord Ramanathaswamy. Please continue sponsoring towards this cause and get the blessings of Lord Ramanathaswamy abundantly. In the coming month, we will celebrate Panguni Uttitam on March 19th and Ugadhi celebrations on April 2nd at the temple.

May the Gods and Goddesses of Sri Siva Vishnu Temple bless you, and your family with good health and prosperity. Please feel free to contact me by email at chairperson@ssvt.org or by phone at (501) 960-2807 if I can be of any assistance

Respectfully,

Murali Elambilan

Murali Elambilan
2022 Chairperson, Board of Trustees

11:00 am Kanya Suhasini and Bhairava Puja

12:00 pm Durga Abhisheka

Monday, April 4, 2022

9:30 am Devi Gayathri Homa

10:30 am Sarada Abhisheka

Tuesday, April 5, 2022

9:30 am Durga Homa

10:30 am Durga Abhisheka

Wednesday, April 6, 2022

9:30 am Bhoo Sukta Homa

10:30 am Andal Abhisheka

Thursday, April 7, 2022

9:30 am Sarada Moola Mantra Homa

10:30 am Sarada Abhisheka

Friday, April 8, 2022



9:30 am Lalitha Sahasranama Homa

10:30 am Parvathi Abhisheka

Saturday, April 9, 2022

9:30 am Devi Moola Mantra Homa

10:30 am Durga Abhisheka

Sunday, April 10, 2022 (Concluding day)

9:30 am Devi Pancha Suktha Homa

10:30 am Abhisheka to Durga, Mahalakshmi, and Sarada

Sponsorship: \$151 - Entire Navaratri Festival; \$75 - One Day puja; \$51 - One

Day Sapta Shati Parayana OR Chandi Homa; \$31 - Any One Homa OR Abhisheka; \$15 - Sahasranama Archana

Sri Rama Navami Festival

Sunday, April 10 - Monday, April 18, 2022

The temple will celebrate Sri Rama Navami festival over a nine-day period. Nama Ramayanam will be chanted followed by Hanuman Chaleesa in the evening. Sundara Kanda from Valmiki Ramayanam will be read by our priests every day and all devotees are welcome to participate in this reading. Devotional songs composed by Bhadrachala Raamadas, a great saint devotee of Lord Rama, will be sung during the Aradhana followed by Sri Sita Rama Kalyanam on Sunday April 10, 2022.

Daily Program:

9:30 am Sankshepa Ramayana Homa, Sri Rama Moola Mantra Homa

5:15 pm Valmiki Sundara Kaanda Parayanam (except on concluding day)

7:00 pm Naama Ramayanam and Hanuman Chaleesa (except on concluding day); weekend - 6:30 pm

Special Pujas:

Sunday, April 10, 2022 - Sri Rama Navami Day

9:30 am Anugya, Swasthivachanam, Sri Vishwakshena Puja, Punyahavachanam, Ankurarpanam, Rakshabandanam and Kalasa Staapanam, Ramajanana Parayanam, Beeja Daanam

11:00 am Sri Rama Abhisheka

4:00 pm Bhadrachala Raamadas Aradhana

5:00 pm Sri Sita Rama Kalyanam, Deeparadhana

7:15 pm Naama Ramayanam, Hanuman Chaleesa

8:15 pm Deeparadhana

Sunday, April 17, 2022

5:00 pm Sri Rama Durbar Puja

Monday, April 18, 2022

11:00 am Sri Rama Pattabhishekasarga Parayanam, Rama Abhisheka

Sponsorship: \$151 - Entire Sri Rama Navami Festival; \$75 - Sri Rama Navami Day Puja; \$31 - Sri Rama Pattabhisheka OR Sri Sita Rama Kalyanam OR One Day Homa

Tamil & Tulu New Year (Shubhakruthu Samvatsara)

Thursday, April 14, 2022

Tamil and Tulu New Year are celebrated by worshipping the family deities, preparing sweets and other delicacies, and the reading of the Panchanga (almanac). The panchanga reading details a list of all good and auspicious things as well as any adverse events that are likely to occur in the coming year due to transitory movements of planets as well as due to presiding deity for the year. It is believed that listening to the panchanga reading will magnify the predicted good effects and mitigate the effects of adverse events. A unique feature of the celebration is the archana for all deities of our temple in sequence, starting at 7:15 pm.

9:30 am Mahaganapathi Homa

10:00 am Abhisheka to Siva and Ananthapadmanabha

10:30 am Ganesha Abhisheka

7:00 pm Starting time for Arathi to all deities (Sarva Devata Arathi)

7:30 pm Panchanga Patanam

Sponsorship: \$35 - Sarva Devata Archana; \$31 - One Homa OR One Abhisheka

Vishu Kani

Thursday, April 14, 2022

Vishu signifies the entry of the Sun into Mesha Raasi and it is believed to bring good luck if one views auspicious things the first thing in the morning. Therefore, on this day in Kerala, homes are beautifully decorated and auspicious items are kept at the family altar.

9:30 am Vishu Kani

10:00 am Ayyappa Puja

Sponsorship: \$31

Meenakshi Kalyanam

Saturday, April 16, 2022

The union of Lord Siva with Parvathi in the form of Meenakshi took place in Madurai on the Chitra Poornima day. This union is celebrated in many Siva temples around the world as Meenakshi Kalyanam. Lord Vishnu, who is the brother of Meenakshi, gave away the bride to Lord Siva. This festival has an added significance to our temple because our temple is dedicated to Siva and Vishnu (and their families).

9:30 am Wedding procession and Oonjal Seva

10:00 am Meenakshi Kalyanam

12:00 pm Deeparadhana

Sponsorship: \$31

SSVT SENIOR CITIZENS MEET UP (Resumed In-Person Meetings)

The SSVT Senior Citizens Group meets once a month on the third Wednesday in the auditorium from 11 am to 1 pm. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, we are not hosting a potluck lunch, instead, we ask attendees to bring their own snacks and water.

We invite all seniors 55+ to join us at the meetings and share our seniors-related common interests. We invite speakers from within and outside the group to talk on topics of interest to senior citizens, such as those related to health, religion, finance, legal matters, vacation travel, etc. We also hold programs such as music & comedy, picnics and bus trips which would help promote social interaction between members of the group. For more information please contact Keshav Ratwani or Satish Bhandari at seniorcitizensgroup@gmail.com

Sri Siva Vishnu Temple

Daily Parayanam Service

For the benefit and welfare of the congregation, SSVT is conducting Daily Parayanam services as noted below. Devotees can sponsor for one or more or all parayanams for a day, or a week or a month or 6 months or for a whole year. Devotees will be able to view the parayanams through Zoom (link provided by temple)

Parayanam/Service	Daily Time
Chandi Parayanam	12:00 PM
Veda Parayanam	6:00 PM
Sundarakanda Parayanam	6:30 PM
Sarva Devatha Sandhya Arathi	6:30 PM

Parayanam Sponsorship

Period	Chandi Parayanam	Veda Parayanam	Sundarakanda Parayanam	All three Parayanams
One Day	\$21	\$11	\$11	\$31
One Week	\$101	\$51	\$51	\$151
One Month	\$251	\$101	\$101	\$301
6 Months	\$501	\$251	\$251	\$601
One Year	\$1001	\$501	\$501	\$1201

Sarva Devatha Sandhya Arathi - \$15 per day

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Ugadi Day

Subhakritu Nama Samvatsaram

Friday, April 1, 2022



Ugadi Celebrations

Saturday, April 2, 2022





Ugadi Day

Friday, April 1, 2022

- 09:15 am Sivagni
09:30 am Maha Ganapati Homa, Utsava Ganesha, Utsava
Srinivasa & Ananthapadmanabha Abhishekas
10:00 am Siva Abhisheka
06:00 pm **Vishesha Arati to all Deities**
Panchanga Patanam (Almanac Reading)

Ugadi Celebrations

Saturday, April 2, 2022

- 07:00 am Suprabhatham
08:00 am Ananthapadmanabha, Ayyappa, Venkateshwara
Abhishekas
08:15 am Sivagni
09:00 am Siva Abhisheka
10:00 am **Panchanga Patanam** (Almanac Reading)
10:45 am **Srinivasa Kalyana Utsavam**

Sponsorship

All Pujas - \$75; Kalyana Utsavam - \$51
One Abhisheka OR One Homa - \$31

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Kalayna Bhojanam - \$12
Time: 12:30 pm to 2:00 PM





Ugadi Vastrams Sponsorships

Subhakritu Nama Samvatsaram



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Balavidyalayam:
DHARMA
EDUCATION
for children

Sunday 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. (Hybrid)

Shlokas & Stotrams
Yoga for Concentration
Understanding Dharma through stories
Community Service Projects
EMAIL TO REGISTER: BALAVIKAS@SSVT.ORG

SRI SIVA VISHNU TEMPLE
WASHINGTON, DC

Due to COVID-19 pandemic, Sri Siva Vishnu Temple's education program went through some significant adjustments resulting in suboptimal educational connections with our children. As life returns to some level of normalcy, we remain committed to strengthening Dharmic education via the reinvigorated Balavidyalayam program. We are dedicated to educating children about Hindu practices; distilling essential Hindu values and teaching children to incorporate them into their everyday life. For our initial phase, we will continue to strengthen our online/virtual class. The curriculum focuses on four components with age-appropriate content:

- Shloka & Stotra
- Yoga for concentration
- Understanding Dharma through stories
- Seva - community service projects.

Please contact us at balavikas@ssvt.org to enroll your child in this program. In addition, stay tuned for future announcements as we look to significantly expand and strengthen our Dharmic educational program.

UPCOMING CULTURAL EVENTS

Date & Time	Event / Artist	Venue & Admission Fee
April 2, 2022	Ugadi Virtual Concert - Aishwarya Srinivas (Vocal); Accompaniments TBA	YouTube

The Cultural Committee is reviving the Saturday afternoon *Vasanth Mantapam Mini-Concert Series*, in-person. Local children and artists can present a 1-hour video concert and we prefer that artists perform with accompaniments. Please email the Cultural Committee at cultural@ssvt.org if you have any questions, or to schedule your mini-concert

SSVT YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/c/SSVTStreaming>

YouTube Cultural Committee channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCeh6oZq9u2rsf3fmc1QPooA>



The poster is for the Ugadi festival at Sri Siva Vishnu Temple. It features a yellow background with a decorative border of green leaves and orange flowers at the top. In the center, a red sun-like circle contains the text "HAPPY Ugadi". Below this, two hands are shown with red henna applied to the fingers. The text "CULTURAL PROGRAM" is prominently displayed in the center. To the left and right are silhouettes of a woman in a sari and a man in a dhoti, respectively, in traditional dance poses. Two circular logos are also present: one for the temple and one for the cultural committee. At the bottom, there is a tray of Ugadi sweets and a small lamp.

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Shubhakruth Nama Samvatsara

HAPPY Ugadi

CULTURAL PROGRAM

Featuring DC Metro area
Dance Schools & Dancers
2pm Saturday, April 2nd, 2022
Contact: cultural@ssvt.org

Watch at
<https://youtube.com/c/SSVTStreaming>
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UHJT Presents a Book Talk on

What is Love? -

A discussion on how to find love, how to rise through love, and how to become better through love.

Presented by a well-known writer, author and a story teller – Aditi Banerjee.

Saturday, March 26, 2022 @11:00 a.m.

zoom: <https://tinyurl.com/UHJT-BookTalk>

Aditi will discuss Stories that may be bittersweet, joyous, humorous, and tragic -- but all stories that point us to Dharma.

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