



Pahari Holi Mela - Tristate 2008

**Royal Albert's Palace (RAP), 1050 King Georges Post Road
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Program Top line

5:00 pm Doors open for Registration
5:30 pm until Midnight Holi Mela - **Holi Hai** (MC: Rachana Pant & Deepesh Bhandari)

5:30 pm Pooja (15 minutes by Respected Acharya Girish Jha ji)
5:30 to 7 pm Bar Cocktails/Appetizers
5:45 to 6:30 pm Baithak Holi in true Pahari style
6:30 to 8:00 pm Cultural programs

6:30	Prayer by Kids of Bhandari family (Akshay, Devang, Aditya and Aashwi -NJ & PA)
6:35	Ganesh Shloka (Mooshika Vaahana) in Sanskrit (Tara Dhariyal) and English interpretation (Divya Dhariyal -NJ)
6:40	Significance of Holi (Adi Raturi - NY)
6:45	Pahari Group dance 'Bedu paako' (Vidushi Bist and Aarav Sharma -NJ)
6:50	Sanskrit shloka 'Guru Brhama Guru Vishnu' (Ruchir Raturi -NJ)
6:55	Bhajan 'Hamko manki shakti dena' (Aria and Anya Pant -PA)
7:00	Pahari Group Dance 'Thando Re Thando' (Vidhatri Raturi, Yukta Chand & Shruti Patwal -NJ)
7:05	Pahari and Hindi Fusion Group dance 'Tak taka tak kamala' and 'Rang De Basanti, (Niki Khanduri, Divya and Tara Dhariyal -NJ)
7:10	Pahari Solo Dance 'Paudi ka bazaar kamla' (Niti Negi -PA)
7:15	Bollywood Group dance 'Mauja Mauja' - Jab We Met (Vidhatri Raturi, Natasha & Riya -NJ)
7:20	Bollywood Dance (Amita -PA)
7:30	Pahari Group Dance 'Ta chuma- Ta chuma' (Geeta Khanduri, Shalini Dhariyal, Tanvi Sharma and Jyoti Bist -NJ)
7:40	Bollywood Group Dance - Chilman' - Kisna (Arya Dance Academy: Kesha Patel, Suchi Patel, Shauni Ramai, Chelsea Haniff, Shruthi Rampalli, Nikita Mathur, Nikita Nalmada, Pooja Dyapa, Beenal Shah, Divya Patel, Shivani Mathur & Nilisha Patel)
7:50	Holi songs - Rang dalo pheko gulal and Rang daro na kanhaiya (Perna Jha -NJ)

8:00 to 8.45 pm Karaoke and Kids Activities (craft, puzzles etc.)
8:45 to 9:00 pm Kids dance with the DJ
9:00 to 11:00 pm Bhangra with live Dhol, Dance with DJ - kids/adults, and more dance
10:00 pm Dinner served; full buffet includes authentic pahari dish made by our kind and loving community members
10:30 pm Raffles and kids/parents/visitors recognition
12.00 am Closing

We wish you all a very happy and colorful holi, and thank you all from the bottom of our hearts for your phenomenal support. We also thank special guests including those who are joining this local community activity from Washington DC metropolitan area, Maryland, and Canada. We feel blessed and honored.



Tristate Holi Mela - 2008 Volunteer Committee:

Anup Uniyal, Prema Bohra, Gita Khanduri, Ritu Negi, Sanjana Raturi, Urmila Patwal, Rachana Pant, Anupama Pant, Divya Pant, Tanvi Sharma, Bhagwati Bohra, Deepak & Deepa Hathiramani, Tarun Joshi, Pritam Dimri, Runjhun Saklani, Anita Dimri, Sandip Bist, Bhagyashree Bohra, Kumud Sanwal, Deepesh Bhandari, Gopal K. Dhariyal & Nitin Bhatt

Advisory committee:

Dr. Jagdish C. Bhandari, Mr. Mohan Barthwal, and Mr. J. P. Nautiyal



Selected Recent Tri-state Local Community Events, Activities, and Charitable Contributions highlighting contributions of the tri-state community

- **Holi in Spring**

- Introducing pahari baithak holi
- Pre-holi activity - Rangwali Pichhaura, Rangoli and GUJIA

- **Picnic/Camp in Summer**

- Charity fund raiser for victims of Sweet Village tragedy (contributed to UANA's fund)
- Charity fund raiser to help spread literacy in Uttarakhand by sponsoring education of unprivileged children

- **Cricket match in Fall**

- Charity fund raiser in the loving memory of the UANA Director Dr. Roop S. Bhakuni's son (funds donated to Boy Scout)

- **Diwali festival in Winter**

- Charity fundraiser to help spread literacy in Uttarakhand by supporting Jeewan Jagriti Niketan school and sponsoring education of 2 unprivileged children since 2005
- Charity fundraiser for UANA's academic excellence award
- Pre-Diwali Art workshop for kids
- Inaugural launch of annual magazine Surabhi
- Inaugural launch of pilot mentoring session

UANA annual function 2006 and 2007: contributions to "Sweet Village Fund"

Thanks to generosity, participation, and loving support of the kind community and UANA members, we were able to successfully organize several community events and raise funds for charitable causes. For details please see our tri-state web site: <http://www.tristateuttaranchal.org/>

Uttaranchal Association of North America's (UANA) Development Projects

Back home Uttarakhand focus:

UANA Award for Academic Excellence - UANA has actively supported this project with an aim to promote and recognizes academic excellence in Uttarakhandi youth, by awarding two students at the grade level of 12th and 10th selected from each of the 13 districts of Uttarakhand.

Helping those who need it the most - The UANA has actively supported victims of "Sweet Village" tragedy and proposes to continue to support this project.

UANA North America focus and "Community Outreach":

UANA Service Award - UANA is proud to propose the UANA service award that recognizes those individuals who have significantly contributed to the promotion and dissemination of UANAs mission by their exemplary and sustained selfless activities.

UANA mentoring program – UANA is proud to propose the UANA mentoring program where insights from experienced professional's background can be used in the professional and personal development of community members.

Highlights of Inaugural Pilot Mentoring Session
7th Annual Tri-state Uttaranchal Diwali Festival
Rajput Restaurant, Parlin, NJ (Nov 10, 2007)

- **Professionalism in Daily Life** - Dr. Jagdish C. Bhandari (UANA Director)

- Loyalty
- Duty
- Respect
- Selfless
- Honesty
- Integrity
- Pride

- **Leader Behaviors for a Successful Career** - Dr. Gopal K. Dhariyal (UANA Director)

- Shared Accountability and Transparency
- Cross-Functional Teamwork and Collaboration
- Listening and Learning
- Benchmark and Continuously Improve
- Coaching and Developing Others
- Integrity

- **Mentoring Children Back Home via Web** - Dr. Sanjana Raturi (UANA Secretary)