



Sri Rajarajeswari Peetam

Sri Vidya Temple Society, Rush, New York, U.S.A

The Annual Festival (May 16, 17 & 18)

The annual festival of the temple will be held over the May 16th, 17th and 18th weekend (Victoria Day long weekend).

On May 16th the festival commences at 9:00 AM with the usual welcoming ceremony for the Sri Vishnu Durga as she arrives from St. Catherine's. The "Vaancha Kalpa" Maha Ganapathi Homa followed by the Pancha Suktha Abhishekam to the Devi are also part of the first day celebrations. The Maha Ganapathi Alankara Utsavam will take place in the evening, culminating in Ganapathi taken around the temple in procession.

The 17th will feature **Chandi Homam** commencing at 5:00 AM and followed by Abhishekam, Alankaram and Annapavadai for the Devi. In the evening at 6:00 PM, during the Chapparam procession the Devi is conveyed around the temple, for many, the highlight of the festival.

The last day of the festival commences at 9:00 AM with the Sri Dattatreya Utsavam that includes a **1008 right handed conch Abhishekam**, the Pancha Suktha Abhishekam and culminates with Sri Dattatreya taken around the temple in procession. At the end of the recital, the Bhairava Bali will signify the conclusion of the festival.

Festival attendees this year will enjoy **live carnatic music performances by famous artists**.

Sponsorship opportunities are available for the daily Annadhanam, flowers, fruits, milk etc., as well for individual Abhishekams and Poojas. Please visit the web site or contact the temple for further details.



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Direction to the Temple from Toronto

1. Take HIGHWAY 401 WEST.
2. Take HWY-403 WEST, exit number 344, towards Q.E.W – HAMILTON / NIAGARA.
3. Take QEW WEST towards HAMILTON / NIAGARA.
4. Take HWY-405, exit number 37, on the left towards QUEENSTON - U.S. BORDER.
5. Take QUEENSTON / LEWISTON BRIDGE.
6. Take 190 SOUTH (Portions toll).
7. Take 290 EAST, exit number 16.
8. Take 90 EAST, on the left towards ALBANY.
9. Take exit number 46, towards ROCHESTER / CORNING.
(Portions toll)
10. Take 390 SOUTH, keep RIGHT at the fork in the ramp
11. Take exit number 11, and then take 251 WEST.
(Straight at the 1st traffic light)
12. Turn LEFT at the 1st blinking light to EAST RIVER ROAD.
13. Temple is at 6980, left side of EAST RIVER ROAD.

Total Estimated Time: 3 hours. **Total Distance:** 290 km

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