



# Hindu Temple and Cultural Center

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## Thai Poosam Celebrations Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup> 2021



### Significance of Thai Poosam

Thai Poosam is dedicated to Sri Murugan, the son of Sri Shiva and Goddess Parvati. Lord Murugan is also known as Kartikeya, Subrahmanya, Sanmukha, Shadanana, Skanda and Guha. It is believed that on this day, Goddess Parvati presented a Lance (Vel) to Lord Murgan to vanquish the demon army of Tarakasura and combat their evil deeds.

Hence, Thai Poosam is a celebration of the victory of good over evil. The festival is celebrated with much fervor.

Many devotees bear milk, water, fruits and floral tributes on pails hung from a yoke and carry them on their shoulders to various Murugan temples, far and near. This wooden or bamboo structure called 'Kavadi', which is covered with cloth and decorated with feathers of peacock, the vehicle of Sri Murugan.

**\*\*\*Temple is open for Darshan for limited time slots & by advance reservation/booking only\*\*\***

Visit HTCC home page @ [www.htccwa.org](http://www.htccwa.org) for details and for Facebook Live streaming notifications.

**Masks/face coverings and safe distancing per CDC/WA Guidelines are to be met at all times, while inside the temple.**

### Thai Poosam Celebration Schedules

- ❖ 10:30 AM: Paalkudam/Milk Pot and Kaavadi Procession (outside subject to weather Conditions)
- ❖ 11:00am: Sri Murugan Abhishekam
- ❖ 11:30 am: Skandashasti Kavacha paraayanam
- ❖ 12:00 pm: Vishesha Archana
- ❖ 12:30pm: Maha Mangala Ārati

Limited Milk Pots (\$11.00) and limited Kaavadis (\$21:00) are available at the temple for the event usage.

Note: Milk pot and kaavadi are first come first serve basis..  
Contact Office to register and for the allocation of kavadi.  
(Devotees are recommended to bring their own milk pot)

### Sponsorship Opportunity

Event sponsorship is available with \$500 seva, with provision to attend Abhishekam and the event. Please contact HTCC Office @ 425-483-7115 for the details.

- ❖ Sri Muruga Abhishekam (\$55.00)
- ❖ Vishesha Archana (\$21.00)
- ❖ Pushpa Mala Alankaram\*

Note: Contact Office for sponsorship/seva charge details