

Hindu Temple and Cultural Center

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Śri Lakshmi Hayagriva Homam

Sunday August 27th 2017



ज्ञानानन्द मयं देवं निर्मल सफटिकाकृति
आधारं सर्वविद्यानं हयग्रीवं उपास्महे

Jñānānanda mayam devam
nirmala sphaṭikākṛtiṃ
ādhāraṃ sarvavidyāna
hayagrīvaṃ upāsmāhe



Program Details

- ❖ 11:30 am - Śri Lakshmi Hayagriva Homam
- ❖ 12:30 pm - *Archana, Arati

Note: *Kids Ganesha participants to make note of timings

Sponsorship Opportunity

- ❖ Śri Lakshmi Hayagriva Homam (\$51)
- ❖ Archana (\$10)
- ❖ Pushpa Mala Alankaram
- ❖ Annadanam (\$151 - Food Sponsorship)

Significance of Sri Lakshmi Hayagriva Homam

Significance Of Homa - A Homa is a sacred Vedic ritual carried out to worship a deity through the medium of consecrated fire. Homa is originated from the word Havan (*Sanskrit: हवन*). According to the guidelines in the Vedic scriptures, Havan is a sacred purifying ritual performed by involving the sacred fire Agni (Lord of fire).

Hayagriva Homa - Hayagrīva is also considered an incarnation of Lord Vishnu. Hayagriva (also Hayagreeva; Sanskrit: *Hayagrīva*) is a horse-headed avataram of the Lord Vishnu. In Sanskrit, Hayagrīva means Haya=Horse, Grīva=Neck. He is worshiped as the God of knowledge and wisdom, with a human body and a horse's head.

Symbolically, the story represents the triumph of pure knowledge, guided by the hand of God, over the demonic forces of passion and darkness. When Lord Vishnu was teaching Vedas to Brahma, Brahma didn't concentrate. Because of that a demon is born and he stole the Vedas and hid himself in the corner of earth. To get the Vedas back soon, Lord Vishnu took the form of Hayagriva (Horse headed god), killed the demon and brought the Vedas back.

Lord Hayagriva's blessings are sought at the beginning of studies of both sacred and secular subjects. Worshipping Lord Hayagriva is great for students and anyone who seeks knowledge. Participate in the Homa events in the temple and obtain the blessing of Lord.

- **Parents - It is timely for the beginning of the school year! Accompany your children and take part in the homam and seek blessings from Lord Hayagriva.**

For sponsorship scheduling... contact: officemanagers@htccwa.org; 425-483-7115