

MELATTUR
**SRI LAKSHMI NARASIMHA JAYANTI
BHAGAVATA MELA NATYA NATAKA SANGAM**
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73rd YEAR
BHAGAVATA MELA NATAKA MAHOTSAV
INVITATION

The great Bhagavata Mela tradition, a rare temple/theatre art in a unique blend of Bakti, music, dance & drama in vogue over 4 centuries, is the only surviving link today in Tamil Nadu that connects us with the ancient Sanskrit theatre.

The Bhagavata Mela natakams, composed by Melattur Venkatarama Sastry (1743-1809 A.D), are performed annually, in adherence to the Natya Veda, in the sannidhi of Lord Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple of Melattur village as part of Sri Narasimha Jayanti Vasantotsav.

Members of SLNJ Bhagavata Mela Natya Nataka Sangam, residents of Melattur and the sponsors cordially invite you and your family to the

BHAGAVATA MELA NATAKA MAHOTSAV – 2013

VENUE : Sri Varadaraja Perumal Sannidhi, Melattur

DATE: On & from the 23rd. May, 2013

PROGRAMME

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| 22-05-2013 | 10.30 a.m. | Maha Thirumanjanam, Araadhanai & Poorvangam | Veda Chanting; Hari Bhajan by Kumbakonam Sri Ananthanarayana Bhagavatar & troupe. |
| 23-05-2013 | 7.30 p.m. | Mangala Isai – Nadaswaram by | Thirukarugavoor Bros. Sri TK Ramanan & Sri TK Saravanan (Invitations printed separate) |
| | 9.00 p.m. | Inauguration of Mahotsav | |
| | 9.30 p.m. | Bhagavata Mela Natakam | PRAHLADA CHARITAM |
| 24-05-2013 | 7.30 p.m. | Bharata Natyam by Member-Artistes of ABHAI (Association of Bharata Natyam Artistes of India), Chennai | Binesh Mahadevan & disciples Lavanya Sankar & disciples Dr. Lakshmi Ramaswamy & disciples |
| 25-05-2013 | 9.30 p.m. | Bhagavata Mela Natakam | HARISCHANDRA – Part I |
| 26-05-2013 | 9.30 p.m. | Bhagavata Mela Natakam | HARISCHANDRA – Part II |
| 27-05-2013 | 7.00 p.m. | Bharata Natyam | Kruthika Jayakumar (disciple of Padmini Ramachandran, Bangalore) |
| | 8.15 p.m. | Mohini Attam | Swarna (disciple of Gopika Varma, Chennai) |
| | 9.30 p.m. | Bharata Natyam | Kiranmayee (disciple of Hemamalini Arni, Hyderabad) |
| 28-05-2013 | 9.30 p.m. | Bhagavata Mela Natakam | MARKANDEYA CHARITAM |
| 29-05-2013 | 9.30 p.m. | Bhagavata Mela Natakam | RUKMINI KALYANAM |
| 30-05-2013 | 9.30 p.m. | Tamil Opera | VALLI THIRUMANAM |
| 31-05-2013 | 7.30 p.m. | Sri Anjaneya Aradhana & Concluding rituals - Naama Sankeertan by Kumbakonam (Sri) Ananthanarayana Bhagavatar & troupe and Bhagavata Mela Artists followed by procession of deity, Sri Nrusimha with His Consorts | |

ALL ARE WELCOME

AN APPEAL

Conduct of the annual Bhagavata Mela Nataka Utsav and implementation of projects including management of BHAGAVATA MELA VIDYALAYA that imparts systematic training to younger generation to preserve, protect and promote the great Bhagavata Mela tradition need huge funds. We appeal to connoisseurs and patrons of music, dance and other performing arts, and the ardent devotees to contribute their mite for the cause of the divine art-form and be a recipient of bountiful blessings of Lord Sri Nrusimha.

Your donation may kindly be sent to :- The Secretary, Sri L.N.J. Bhagavata Mela N.N.Sangam, 63-64 South St., Melattur 614 301, Thanjavur Dist. by D/D, Cheque or M.O drawn in favour of Sri LNJ Bhagavata Mela, Melattur.

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