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BA-DFW DURGOTSAV 2023



20 OCTOBER (FRIDAY)

6:00 PM TO 7:30 PM

BODHON | MAHA SHASTHI PUJO

7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

DINNER

9:00 PM TO 11:00 PM

KAVITA KRISHNAMURTI CONCERT

NOTE:

ACCESS TO MANDAP & LOBBY
CLOSING AT 8:00 PM

21 OCTOBER (SATURDAY)

9:00 AM TO 11:00 AM

MAHA SAPTAMI PUJO | MAHA ASHTAMI PUJO

11:00 AM TO 11:30 AM

KUMARI PUJO

11:30 AM TO 12:30 PM

CHANDI PATH | SANDHI PUJO

12:30 PM TO 1:30 PM

ANJALI

1:30 PM TO 2:30 PM

YAGNA

1:00 PM TO 3:00 PM

LUNCH

4:30 PM TO 5:00 PM

SANDHA ARATI

4:30 PM TO 5:30 PM

JHAL MURI

5:30 PM TO 7:30 PM

LOCAL CULTURAL PROGRAM

7:30 PM TO 9:00 PM

DINNER

9:00 PM TO 11:00 PM

ROCKSTAR TRIJOY CONCERT



22 OCTOBER (SUNDAY)

10:00 AM TO 10:30 AM

SOCIALIZING

10:30 AM TO 12:00 PM

MAHA NOBOMI PUJO | MAHA DASHAMI PUJO

12:00 PM TO 1:00 PM

MAA-ER BORON | DHUNOCHI NACH

12:00 PM TO 2:00 PM

LUNCH

2:00 PM TO 5:00 PM

LOCAL CULTURAL PROGRAM

5:00 PM TO 7:00 PM

SNACKS

7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

IMAN CHAKRABORTY CONCERT

8:30 PM TO 10:00 PM

BOXED DINNER

NOTE:

ACCESS TO
MANDAP CLOSING AT 2:30 PM
LOBBY CLOSING AT 6:00 PM

VENUE: 300 CHISHOLM PL, PLANO, TX 75075



President's Note

প্রায় চার দশক আগে, Fort Worth এর কোন উদ্যমী বাঙালিদের গৃহপ্রাঙ্গণে যে মাতৃ পূজোর সূচনা – সেই দুর্গোৎসব আজ ৪০ তম বার্ষিকীতে উপনীত ! স্থানীয় বাঙালিদের কাছে আজকের এই অনুষ্ঠান যেমন বিশেষ আনন্দের, এই অঞ্চলের প্রাচীনতম বাঙ্গালী সংঘের পক্ষে এই উদযাপনের ধারাবাহিকতা, তেমনি গর্বের উপলক্ষ ।



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সংগঠক সমিতির সতীর্থ সদস্যদের অক্লান্ত পরিশ্রম, শুভানুধ্যায়ী সেচ্ছাসেবক সমূহের সহযোগিতা এবং পৃষ্ঠপোষকদের দাক্ষিণ্যে যে আনন্দউৎসব এর আয়োজন সম্ভব হয়েছে – তা যেন আপনাদের স্বতঃস্ফূর্ত যোগদানে সার্থক এবং সফল হয়ে ওঠে | আমাদের সঙ্গে থাকার জন্যে ধন্যবাদ |

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9 Years



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the blind can see"

-Mark Twain



Anishka Mukherjee
11 Years

Amrit Mandal
8 Years



AMRIT MANDAL
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Mesmerizing Yellowstone

Anushka Chattopadhyay (Grade-7)

Yellowstone National Park is a natural landscape that consists of many diverse animal habitats and chemically enriched features. The geysers that dot its landscape resemble the craters on the moon but vary from it by its unique diffusion of colors. While some look like shimmering turquoise sapphires, others gleam like a rainbow adorned with opals. The rare chemicals that are infused smell like a mixture of Mayur honey and lavender essence. One of the more mesmerizing things about it include its appearance of being something that's not solid, liquid, or gas. Its extravagance extends to the edges which have a unique pearl sheen that can only be found in the rarest of oysters at the depth of the ocean. The steam that billows reach high and above, like the heated fumes that a volcano exhales after an eruption. The Gray Wolves that call Yellowstone home, differ from other creatures with their shiny gray coating which cuts through the mist like a silver lining. These creatures are not spotted often, due to their sly and covert ways of protecting their packs and hunting at midnight. The only signs that mark the approaching of these majestic creatures are the slight rustle of leaves, the crack of twigs, and the sighs of the meadows. The otherwise undisturbed meadows give the appearance of a well manicured and colorful garden while in reality it is a wild landscape that has existed forever. The river that flows through the thickset forest ripples like a fabric of silk and flows as gracefully as a Peregrine Falcon glides.



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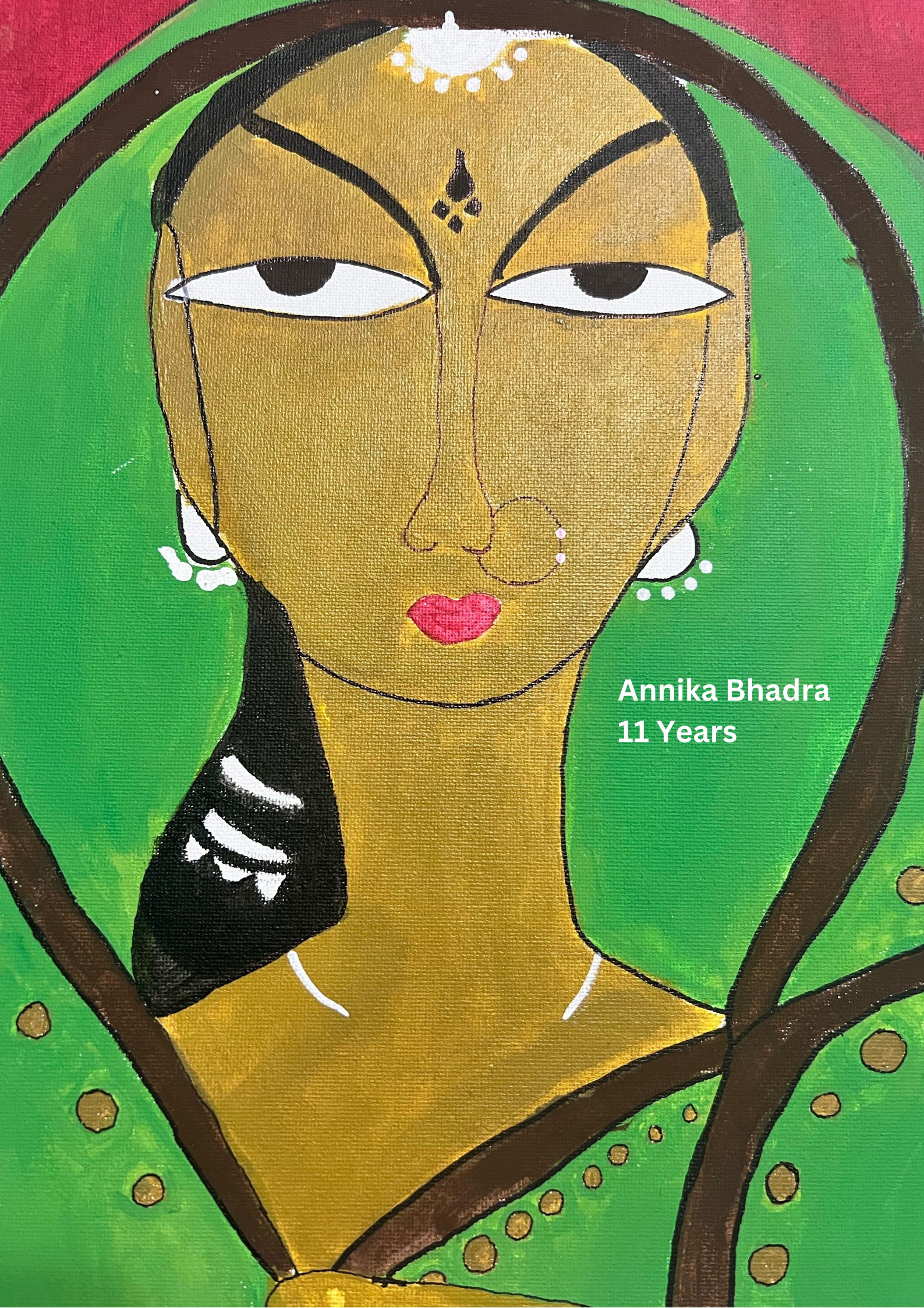
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Dishani Mukherjee
Grade 2





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BA-DFW VoYagers 2022-23



Greetings to all from the BA-DFW VoYagers.

We are the youth club of the Bengali Association of Dallas and Fort Worth. There are over 60 kids in the age range of 10-17 years belonging to the BA-DFW community who are enlisted to this club.

In 2022-23, we assisted the BA-DFW Food Committee in food distribution during the BA-DFW Mahalaya 2022 picnic, Durga Puja 2022 and Saraswati Puja 2023. We also helped the BA-DFW Cultural Committee in the stage cleanup and backstage management during Durga Puja 2022.

Fundraiser events like snacks & paan corner, raffle draw and photo booth were organised during the BA-DFW Durga Puja 2022 and Nobo Borsho picnic, 2023.

\$1230.00 was raised and we donated

- \$250.00 to No Kid Hungry
- \$250.00 to Feed My Starving Children
- \$216.00 to Ronald McDonald House of Dallas
- \$200.00 to ANEW charity

Our volunteering events involved the whole BA-DFW community.

- Cooked lunch for the children and the families housed at the Ronald McDonald House of Dallas

- Made food packages at Feed My Starving Children
- Packed lunch bags for unsheltered communities with ANEW Charity
- Donated 30+ care packages for seniors living in facilities of Senior Source organisation
- Delivered food to seniors through the Meals on Wheels project of Visiting Nurse Association, TX
- Created and distributed holiday greeting cards to bring cheer to seniors living in facilities of Senior Source organisation
- Created and distributed encouragement message cards to Frisco FastPacs

To encourage the sense of belonging and ownership, VoYagers logo and tagline contests were organised. Soham Guha's (15 yrs) submission was voted as the 2022-24 VoYagers Logo and Srinjoy Pal's (15 yrs) submission was voted as the tagline.

Thank you, all the BA-DFW patrons for supporting us on our "journey to help". We hope you all will join our journey in the upcoming year too when we plan to organise additional new and exciting initiatives like, but not limited to:

- Canned and packaged food donation drives for NPOs working for causes related to food scarcity
- Toys and books donation drive for organisations serving ailing children
- Indian Clothes donation drive for organisations working on sustainability projects
- Explore avenues to contribute towards causes of Education equity

Sagarika Dutta Pal (Mentor)

Be a VoYager: voyagers@badfw.org



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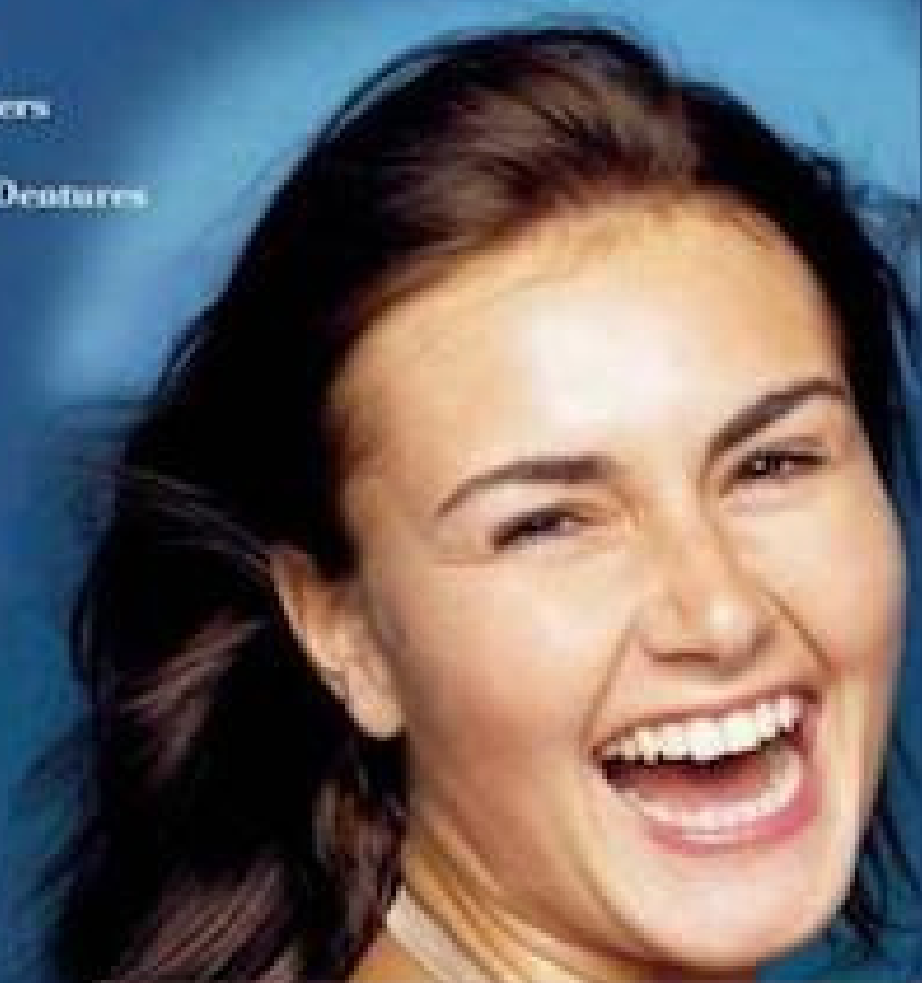
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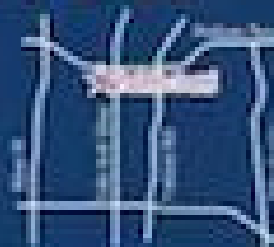
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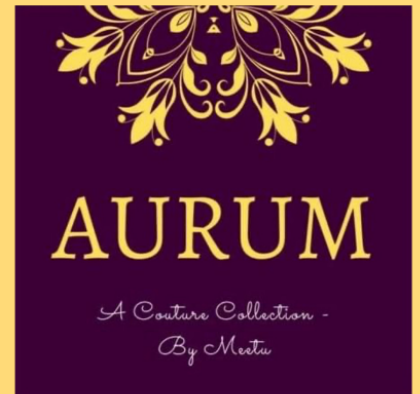
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