



Diwali 2025



Saturday October 11th 2025





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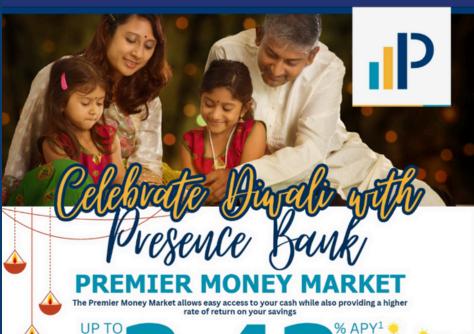
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South Asian Association of Lancaster

Dear Friends and Community Members,

On behalf of our entire team, it is our great pleasure to welcome you to this year's Diwali celebration! This festival of lights brings together families and friends, illuminating our lives with joy, hope, and togetherness.

Diwali is more than just a festival that arrives in the fall; it symbolizes the triumph of light over darkness, knowledge over ignorance, and good over evil. It is a time for reflection, gratitude, and renewal. As we gather to celebrate, let us take a moment to appreciate our traditional values from all over India and America and the bonds we share.

SAAL, as a non-profit, continues to stand the test of time-not just surviving but thriving in our outreach and community engagement. Many of you see the joy in our annual events—Holi, Cricket, the Summer Picnic, Garba, and of course, Diwali. Yet the roots of our work run deeper. Our "Evergreens" senior group continues to grow in participation, and our SAAL Jr. program partners with other nonprofits to support community causes. With medical seminars, blood drives, and countless volunteer efforts, our mission is to better the county we live in while proudly sharing our culture.



South Asian Association of Lancaster

This year, we have planned an array of activities that reflect the spirit of Diwali. From delicious food to captivating performances, each moment is designed to bring joy and foster connection within our community. We encourage you to participate wholeheartedly, share your smiles, and embrace the festive spirit!

We want to extend our heartfelt thanks to our volunteers, sponsors and organizers who have worked tirelessly to make this event possible. Their dedication and enthusiasm embody the essence of what Diwali represents—community, generosity, and love.

As we light our digas and share our stories, may we find inspiration in each other and strengthen the ties that bind us. Let this Diwali be a reminder that, together, we can illuminate our world and create a brighter future for all.

Wishing you and your families a joyous and prosperous Diwali!

Warm regards,

Chetan Patel
President, Executive Board

Dr. Maulik Patel Chairman, Advisory Board



Social Hour and Photo Session : 4:30 - 6:00pm Diwali Cultural Program : 6:00pm - 8:00pm

- Welcome speech and Introduction Pritesh Tanna
- Diya Lighting and Felicitation
- Master of Ceremonies
 Medha Lalani and Shreya Sehgal
- Cultural program
- 1. Dil toh Dance Hi Hai:

Ananthi Amirthalingam, Ruhika Chaganti, Arya Kapadia, Clio Sanyal and Naiyah Vaswani

2. Classic to Contemporary Medley:
Shohini Ranerice Madhurita Ranerice Amee

Shohini Banerjee, Madhurita Banerjee, Amee Rathod, Rita Rathod and Harjit Singh

3. Flashbacks to Fastbeats:

Revanth Gumma, Ahaan Manseta, Anuj Multani, Sahil Multani, Aahan Patel, Aarav Patel and Arnav Singh,

4. Purani ne Naveli Taali:

Lena Dumasia, Alpa Patel, Mital Patel, Madhuri Reddy, Daksha Tanna and Triparna Vasavada

5. Retro to Remix:

Jenna Patel, Sophia Soni, Aashna Umarvadia and Laila Vaswani

Thank you speech: Shakher Patel

SAAL Youth club United: Shaping today and tomorrow

6. Beete Din, Naya Pal: (Bollywood Medley Skit/Songs)
John Gade, Sheetal Gade, Pavan Gedala, Arshdeep Gujral,
Manjeet Kaur, Dhara Lalani, Medha Lalani, Reshma Lalani,
Maulik Patel, Paresh Savani, Surender Singh, Pritesh Tanna,
Ashima Vaswani and Neil Vaswani

7. Dil Ke Rang:

Dyuti Anala, Akshaya Gemma, Srinika Gonuguntla, Sri Priya Thonupunuri and Panaisha Vala

8. Evergreen Expressions:

Krishna Bali, Neera Bali, Hasuben Choksi, Altaf Hamid, Shehnaz Hamid, Anil Joshi, Durla Lathia, Shobha Lathia, Raj Pasupuleti, Bharat Patel, Girish Patel, Mina Patel, Adi Narayana Rao Rayavarapu and Devi Rayavarapu

9. Jhoota Hai Japani to Jhoom Again:

Mina Itle, Ashka Kapadia, Rima Pasupuleti, Shayne Patel, Aruna Sanyal and Daivyam Trivedi

10. Safar-e-Humsafar:

SAAL Community members

Choreographers and Coordinators:

Rasmita Amin, Shohini Banerjee, Pavan Gedala, Raj Pasupuleti, Amar Patel, Shruti Patel, Mital Patel, Rita Rathod, Madhuri Reddy, Kajal Singh, Daksha Tanna, Tejal Thakkar and Meetal Umarvadia

Participant and Volunteer Recognition

Dinner: 8:00pm - 9:30pm

Open Dance Floor: 9:30pm onwards

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Best Wishes from Dr. Surender Singh and Dr. Manjeet Kaur



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Wishing You a Very Happy and Prosperous Diwali
Dr. Amar Patel
Dr. Michelle Trott
Dr. Ibragim Pashaliyev



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