

North Texas Hindu Mandir

Invites you to participate in our first ever Homa

Maha Mrityunjaya Homa

Sunday, September 19th 2010 at 4:00 PM

It is said that when Lord Brahma (the creator among the Trinity) created man, he also created "Homa" for man's livelihood and his attainment of spiritual desires. The fundamental premise of Homa is derived from the Vedas, although, according to "Purusha Sooktham", it is the other way around - Vedas originated from Homa! Anyhow, Vedas and Homa are eternal truths having neither beginning nor end, and are "Apourusheyam" (divine, not the creation of humans). Karmam (work or action) is an integral part of living. Right and wrong Karmams can hardly be discerned by human intellect, and has to be guided by knowledge. Vedas, indeed, contain the highest form of knowledge. The singular goal of Veda is to guide man through the correct path. And Homa forms the essence of all the Karmams prescribed in the Vedas.



The goal of all Homas is the prosperity of the people at large by energizing and protecting the environment. The Sun is considered as the main source of energy supply, and fire is considered as a representation of the Sun's energy. According to the ancient texts on Homa, any offer to Fire as a god, is actually an offer to Sun. Any such offer is either to enrich energy in the environment or to destroy the undesirable elements in the environment, and thus, in both ways, environment is protected. Attaching divine nature to such rituals (like Homa) induced people to practice them. Thus, the ancient texts proclaim that "Such Vaidika Karmams are result-oriented, and meant to lead to Sreyass or spiritual attainments".

All the scriptures declare the Maha Mrutyunjaya mantra as the best one for health and longevity. After Shiva Pooja Rudram is recited and then the repeated Recital of the great Maha Mrutyajaya mantra (also called Maha Mrityunjaya) is done and then Homa is performed reciting the mantra (1/10 times of recital number). The higher the number the greater the benefit, at this Homa the mantra will be recited 1008 times.

During the Homa the specially qualified priests chant the sacred mantras, in the names of the sponsors, and make multiple prominent offerings. The combination of the chanting of the sacred mantras by the qualified priest, the prescribed offerings, and the strong unwavering faith of the devotee are said to bestow longevity upon the contributors to the Homa. The hymns are devoted to Mrityu,



the God of death, praying for long life. These hymns are used in the purnahuti or the final offering in the famous Soma sacrifice. This homa also alleviates Mrityu dosha or untimely death.



- It is performed for longevity.
- It is performed on birthdays.
- It is also done for extending life time.
- It is performed for cure for chronic illness and healthy life.

How can you participate in this Homa?

Participation in this Homa has been made very easy. Pandit Mahendra has done all the planning by finding the qualified pandit, arranging the date, finding willing volunteers, and has taken care to see that all the required ingredients are available.

All that the participants need to do is to sponsor the Homa at the very affordable sponsorship tiers, see below. Fill out the sponsorship form and return together with your payment to Pandit Mahendra or Nishan Douglas by September 12, 2010.

Sponsorship tiers:

\$ 51	At this level you will gain the benefits from sponsoring part of this Homa, plus you will receive some Rakshai (burnt offerings from the Homa)
\$ 151	At this level you will receive a special gift plus all from above.
\$ 251	At this level you will get to sit right at the Homa plus all from above.

Thank you for your support.

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Maha Mrityunjai Homa Sponsorship Form

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Sponsor Information

Last Name:

First Name:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone #:

eMail:

Sponsorship (Please select the level of sponsorship desired):

Amount	Choice	Additional benefits
\$ 51.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	You will gain the benefits from sponsoring part of this Homa plus some Rakshai (burnt offerings from the Homa)
\$ 151.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	You will gain the benefits from sponsoring part of this Homa plus a special gift.
\$ 251.00 or more	<input type="checkbox"/>	Get to sit at the Homa with this level, plus the items from above

Payment method: Cash \$ _____ Check \$ _____

Sankalpam Information:

Gotram	Name	Naksatram

Thank you for supporting this Maha Mrityunjai Homa and the North Texas Hindu Mandir

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