





# Baba's instrument: Sister Shivani in Perth

...a golden chance to Glorify Baba! 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> August 2018

### **Pre-event** preps!

- Long weekend planning retreat in Leura, Sydney with SPD and promotions team
- Fortnightly 2 hour conference calls
- Site visits; meetings with venue's staff and WA seva team
- Powerpoint presentation, seva roles meeting and 1300 toli packing with Brahmin family in Perth
- Creative Bhatti an opportunity for the family to share their bhavana for the big event
- Constantly in the lookout for the stage and front of foyer accessories/decorations flower arrangements, throne chair, carpet, etc
- Special Amrit Vela and Murli class for special sakaash
- 10 mins sakaash every day after Murli class
- Promotions: distributing fliers at individual homes, shops, supermarkets, universities, etc; BKPerth facebook page; Hindi radio channel; Avenewz magazine media



## Welcome to Downunder!

Shivaniben's first stop in downunder, Australia was in Perth – the lucky first! She and husband, Vishalbhai were welcomed by Perth's sunshine together with a beautiful bouquet of flowers and toli made by Baba's children and were then taken to their motel. Shivaniben and the Madhuban brothers were chauffeured to some of Perth's iconic places for sightseeing. They were also given great hospitality by Baba's tireless cooks!



## Visiting Baba's Lighthouse

Shivaniben and Vishalbhai visited Baba's class location in Padbury. Bhog was offered in the Remembrance Room. She gave her blessings together with toli to the Lighthouse team and had fruit salad. We felt very fortunate and lucky as this was not part of the plan but Baba and Drama made it happen!



## Murli class with the Fearls of Ferth

We had a really lovely gathering of BK's at Cannington Centre for Murli class. Shivaniben is the first international guest to visit the new Perth centre in Cannington. She elaborated on some key points of the day's Murli. She said Satyug doesn't 'come', it needs to be created. It needs to be created NOW! She said the best way we can glorify Baba is to show satyugi families i.e to live harmoniously in a family and not by being in constant solitude.



## IT Trogram at the office of Consulate General of India

We had an intimate gathering of around 30 PI's hosted by the Consulate of India. The evening started with 'mix and mingle' over afternoon tea/snacks with a video of Shiv Baba playing in the background and instrumental music to build the vibes and energy.

The Consulate General, Amitji Mishra warmly invited Shivaniben, Sr Maureen and Neetaben in his office for a sweet and simple private interaction with Hon Janine Freeman (Member of Legislative Assembly) before the main session.

Thereafter, the Consulate briefly introduced The Brahma Kumaris and spoke highly of its benefits to the society. A lovely introduction was given for Shivaniben on her profile and was welcomed with a bouquet of flowers. Shivaniben shared insights on the greeting 'Om Shanti'. She also touched on controlling anger and arguments as well as awakening our inner energy. She concluded with a guided commentary on a peaceful being.

The event was wrapped up with a vote of thanks given by a mic quality soul who is known to the community. Shivaniben then gave out special intricate toli and blessings to all.

The event was attended by guests from political, social, economic, media, educational & diplomatic spheres.









## **Public Program at Riverside Theatre**

At last the day for which we have been waiting for had come...

Many of Baba's children had come to the venue for bump in from 2.30pm onwards. All set ups went nice and smooth with everyone's cooperation. The sakaash team created really lovely vibrations inside the theatre in sweet silence for a good one hour. It really felt like Baba was already there!

The doors opened and around 1000 people started to walk in to a very beautiful energy with Davidbhai playing live instrumental music. IP's including family of Consulate of India and his staff; doctors; community leaders; businessmen, etc were welcomed with a special gift and were escorted to their seats. Mia, the MC, welcomed Shivaniben and as she entered the stage, some souls gave a standing ovation and all souls clapped for her. Shivaniben shared her insights on the topic of 'Choosing Happiness' which included meditation, some humour and interaction with the audience. She received applause in some of the points she shared. At the end, the audience left the theatre in silence and were given toli packs and blessing cards by the BK family at the exits.

All the 80 'Unlimited Happiness' books were sold out with more requesting for a copy. Many have registered for the follow up programs and subscribed to the BK Perth newsletter. It's now time to give the Father's introduction ©



## The journey...

The whole journey leading up to Baba's big event has been a learning curve in worldly as well as spiritual terms. There has surely been an element of fun © Not to forget the settling of accounts! This chariot was in hospital for a few days and took around 2 months to recover...Thereafter, the family was lucky to survive a severe car accident...With such challenges and obstacles, we kept going with blessings from Baba and the family; with determination, purity, love and most importantly with One Strength and One Support. In the end, Baba, the Magician did His magic and made the impossible possible through His various right hands.

It was really wonderful to see the local and national BK family coming together for this golden chance of seva. It was truly beautiful to have in town the 3 brothers (David, Prashant and Prabhu bhaiyo) from Madhuban. It felt as if Madhuban came to us and the energy was lifted at a whole new level!

It all feels like a dream now...however, this dream has surely 'awakened' many souls...

Thank you Baba, Drama and the sweet parivaar

To offer yourself for Godly service means to receive thanks from BapDada" (Sakar Murli, 25.06.18)

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