

# Mallige Samachara



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## From the MKANT Committee Newsdesk...

Namaskara! Most Summer vacations have come to a close although the Summer heat continues to linger. Hope you all had a great and safe Summer. As the new academic year begins and our schools resume with rejuvenated energy and vigor, we are proud to announce that we are feeling the same sense of renewed energy to serve our community. We would like to thank all members who took time to complete the on-line survey and urge those of you who have not yet done so to complete the survey at your earliest convenience. This information

provides a brief albeit useful measure that will guide the committee to undertake future activities to serve you all in an effective manner. Also, we take this opportunity to extend a very warm and hearty welcome to all the Kannadigas who have re-located to the Dallas - Fort Worth (DFW) metroplex, and to all the new students who have just arrived to pursue their educational and career goals at the various nationally and internationally renowned universities in the region. We wish you, our readers, the very best of success in all your endeavors.

## *They make us PROUD!!!!*

“Raayara Mane Yugadhi” – the drama that enthralled all of us during our Ugadhi celebrations earlier this year is all set to be staged at AKKA at 12:20 PM on Sunday, 31 August 2008. Please join us in congratulating the highly talented team – **Vidya, Datta, Subrahmanya, and Padma** as they put MKANT on a national stage and make us proud! Also, Vidya and Padma will be rendering rare devotional songs

scheduled to begin at 3:25 PM on the same day. If you are attending AKKA, please gather your friends and relatives and cheer them as they carry our banner. Make sure you watch these performances and provide our team the well-deserved encouragement and support. For more information about AKKA 2008 and a complete schedule, please log on to:

<http://www.akkaonline.org/2008/program.shtml>

## Sri Swarna Gowri Pooja



Please bring your pooja items and participate in the Sri Swarna Gowri Pooja

**06 September 2008**

**10:00 AM**

**Main Sannidhi**

**DFW Hindu Temple**

**1605 N Britain Rd**

**Irving, TX 75061**

Swarna Gowri Pooja is sponsored by the DFW Hindu Temple. Volunteer services will be provided by members of MKANT. If you need further information or if you would like to volunteer, please contact our committee members or log on to our website

<http://www.mallige.squarespace.com/current-events>



## Mark your calendars....

MKANT is proud to present a light musical concert by the famous

**Kasaravalli sisters**

**Smt. Roopa and Smt. Deepa**

**Friday, 19 September 2008**

**Venue (TBD)**

This MKANT sponsored event is mostly funded by generous donations from our members. If you wish to donate or raise funds for this event, please contact the committee members. Stay tuned or check our website for further details about the program.



## A Call to Reach Out... in more ways than one!!!!

The Indian Cultural Heritage Foundation (ICHF) presents

**“Bahurang – The Colors of Dance”**

**Saturday, 27 September 2008 7:00**

**PM at the Eismann Center,**

**Richardson, TX.**



Sankara Eye Foundation presents

**Nritya Sangam – 2008**

**6:00 PM – 9:00 PM**

**11<sup>th</sup> October 2008**

**The Granville Arts Center,**

**Garland, TX**



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## **A Call to Reach Out...**

The MKANT committee urges all its members to support the following charity events by attending in large numbers.

The Indian Cultural Heritage Foundation (ICHF) presents

**“Bahurang – The Colors of Dance”  
Saturday, 27 September 2008 at 7:00 PM  
at the Eismann Center, Richardson, TX.**

benefiting the Akshaya Patra program and the North Texas Food Bank “Food 4 Kids” program. Ticket Prices: \$14, \$28, \$56 and \$112. MKANT is planning a food drive to help the ICHF-led Akshaya Patra Program on this day. Please bring as many food cans as possible for donations to this noble cause and give the poor and needy children a reason to smile and give them an opportunity to escape from poverty. For

more information contact ICHF or The Akshaya Patra Foundation, USA via phone (781-438-3090) or e-mail [tapf.info@akshayapatrausa.org](mailto:tapf.info@akshayapatrausa.org) or log on to [www.akshayapatra.org](http://www.akshayapatra.org)

Sankara Eye Foundation presents

**Nritya Sangam – 2008  
6:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
11<sup>th</sup> October 2008  
The Granville Arts Center, Garland, TX**

Proceedings from this event will support to fight curable blindness for people in India. Please see the flyer posted on <http://www.mallige.squarespace.com/current-events> for more information



## **Membership Drive**

We want to thank all our members who joined the MKANT for the first time and also those who renewed their membership during the recent Ugadi celebration. A sincere request to the Kannada community at large in the DFW region – please support and sustain the MKANT by increasing its membership. Please recommend and refer new members, renew your memberships if you haven't already done so.

The lifeline of the MKANT has so far been sustained by the vision of our “Life-Members” and their continued generous support and involvement. The committee looks forward to continued guidance from its senior members in order to maintain our cultural identity, to reach out to the people we serve and the community we live in.

## MKANT Committee

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*Radha Holavanahalli*

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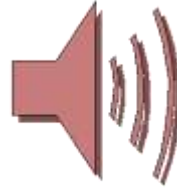
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**Please Help!**

### Volunteers Needed

The MKANT Committee is issuing a callout to all its members requesting for volunteer help.

Volunteers are needed to help the committee during the upcoming events listed in this issue of the Newsletter, including the Membership Drive.

Here are some ways in which you can help...

Sponsorships

Donations

Assisting with events

MKANT sponsored

MKANT supported

New member referrals

Making phone calls

Collecting food cans

Contributing articles to the  
Newsletter

Please contact us to let us know how you can help. We are waiting to hear from you!