

# TFAS 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (Silver Jubilee) Celebrations

## Dear Telugu Fine Arts Society members and friends:

On behalf of the TFAS and Executive Committee, I would like to invite you to attend the TFAS Silver Jubilee celebrations, May 23-24. The events include an inaugural ceremony with about 100 children participating, cultural programs, youth programs, and seminars. You will find information on TFAS and the Silver Jubilee program details below. The Registration/Donation Form and the Souvenir Advertisement Request Form are included in the centerfold of this issue.

We thank the dance teachers and parents who are preparing the children for participation in various events at the Silver Jubilee function. We appreciate the efforts of the volunteers who are helping different committees to make this event a grand success.

There will be recognitions and music "Naadu Nedu" by Swaramaadhuri G. Anand at the banquet on May 23.

--- **Damu Gedala**

Telugu Fine Arts Society (TFAS) was established in 1984 to foster, promote and encourage Telugu language, literature, arts and cultural activities and to preserve and propagate Telugu cultural heritage amongst future generations. TFAS has completed 25 years and is going to celebrate the SILVER Jubilee on a grand scale on May 23 and May 24, 2009 during the memorial day weekend. The stage for our grand celebrations is Royal Albert Palace, Fords, New Jersey. TFAS is planning to conduct Silver Jubilee event by celebrating Telugu culture, heritage, art and entertainment that reflects the rich history of TFAS. The whole program will have a live coverage by TV 9 with simulcast television in USA and India. The Silver Jubilee program is a well balanced program for all the ages. The center piece of programming will be the history of TFAS.

**DAY-TIME PROGRAM:** We invite all the TFAS patrons and members to come with family and friends for the grand gala 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration on May 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> at the Royal Albert palace and make it a grand success. On May 23<sup>rd</sup> we are going to host a Banquet dinner from 6 to 11 PM with sumptuous food, good entertainment and awards recognizing the outstanding individuals of Telugu community. On May 24<sup>th</sup> the full day events will be inaugurated by his holiness Shri Pujya Chinna Jeeyar Swamiji. The event will be kicked off by an inaugural prayer song followed by inaugural dance by children. Come to see and enjoy New Jersey's dance teachers' choreography skills with almost 100 students participating in the inaugural dance. You will also enjoy a spiritual speech by Shri Pujya Chinna Jeeyar Swamiji. This inspiring speech will be very useful for those who want wisdom and knowledge of His Holiness. Day long we have a variety of entertainment that includes classical, folk and light dances, music, songs, Harikatha, comedy play, and others.

There will be parallel sessions of Spiritual and Literary workshops, continuing medical education, and business seminars. Vempati Ravi Shankar is going to entertain with Kuchipudi dance in the pre-Prime time.

**PRIME TIME:** We have planned an exciting entertainment for prime time with several artists from India including music troupe, comedians, movie stars following speech of guest speaker New Jersey Governor Jon

Corzine. The evening program is something you would not want to miss. Prime time is reserved for our TFAS youth and TOLLYWOOD stars. We will be graced by movie stars Trisha, Tarun and other Tollywood celebrities such as Prakash Raj, Brahmanandam and music troupe comprising of Chakri, Suneetha, Malathi, Simha and Vinodbabu.

**YOUTH:** Youth are an important part of the TFAS organization. Our goal is to have a youth segment so that in future these youth will take active interest in TFAS activities. Youth committee will provide an exciting evening prime time fashion show of modeling, and Telugu movie dance numbers. Your presence with family and friends is required to encourage our youth so that the TFAS organization can sustain itself for the next 25 years!

We are planning to provide entertainment to children during the day. Our goal is for you to enjoy the entertainment programs without having to worry about restless children.

**STALLS:** Need a little break from the program. You bet there are several stalls selling books, music, movies, real-estate, jewelry, saris, and dresses. You are welcome to visit the stalls and encourage these vendors by patronizing them. Any one interested in opening a stall please contact any of the executive committee members immediately.

**FOOD:** The admission ticket will also provide you both lunch (12 noon -1:00 PM) and dinner (6:00 -7:00 PM). The menu will be authentic Indian 5-course lunch and 7-course dinner with several appetizers and desserts. Note that TFAS is making maiden attempt providing vegetarian and non-vegetarian meals. When you book online please mention your food preference. You will be at the Royal Albert Palace to enjoy a full day of celebration without having to worry about "what's for lunch and dinner"? Coffee and tea will be provided during the day.

We are going to bring a colorful Souvenir with articles on TFAS history, stories, essays, and geyalu. If you want to advertise in the souvenir, please use the Souvenir Advertisement Request Form.

TFAS executive committee members are here to serve you and we look forward to seeing you in large numbers with family and friends. Note that children and seniors are admitted at a discount rate! Please take advantage of discount rate offered for early registration, save money and help us in monitoring. Please promote our community events by being there and register early. For admission and other information please visit [TFAS.NET](http://TFAS.NET).

## ■ TFAS Executive Committee

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Half page inside and sponsor half page for articles: \$300  
Full page inside: \$400 (one issue: \$100)  
Full page inside front or back cover: \$500  
Full page outside back cover: \$600  
Sponsorship without advertisement:  
Full page per year: \$200; Full magazine per issue: \$600

### ■ St. Louis accident Victims Fund

We are all sorry to hear the tragic news of four Telugu students at Eastern Illinois University Anusha Anumolu, Anita Lakshmi, Parya Muppvarapu and Satya Chinta died in a car accident on Saturday March 21, 2009 morning. Nitesh Adusumilli who was driving the victims car was listed in critical condition. Our Telugu community hasn't experienced accident of this magnitude in the past. TFAS collected donations and was sent to victims fund. We thank all the donors. The donors are:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Donation</i>
Krishna Rani	\$500
Venkataramana Mikklineni	\$100
Ramakrishna Palamarri	\$100
Radhika Gajulapalli	\$101
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<b>TOTAL AMOUNT</b>	<b>\$1421</b>