

30TH Edition, September 2019



The Visa Oshwal Community, Nairobi in conjunction with the Oshwal Youth League, Nairobi hosted the Diwali Mela 2019 at the Oshwal Centre grounds on Sunday, 13th October 2019. There was an amazing turn out of around 6000 guests, who braved the showers and came to support the food stalls, home based stalls, corporate stalls and thoroughly enjoyed the games stalls as well.

The raffle prizes were fantastic, and included holidays, plane tickets, home decor items, which ensured that all the winners of the raffles went home happy. Part proceeds from the Mela are to be distributed between various charities supported by the Visa Oshwal Community and the Oshwal Youth League, as both institutions are committed to bettering our Nation.

The Mela Committee would like to thank all our donors, who donated various items for the raffle, Our volunteers, without whom the Mela would not have been successful!

















Sunday 20th October 2019 Senior Social Committee of Visa Oshwal Community organized Inter Community Raas Garba competition followed by lunch at the Dinesh & Mahesh Chandaria Auditorium, Oshwal Centre. This Programme was kindly sponsored by Mr. Vipul Babulal Shah and Family.

The had Intercommunity Programme participation and the participants had put in a lot of effort in costumes, choreography, props, etc. The judges were Parita Shah and Priti Patel. It was indeed a very tough decision for the judges, and the winners were as 1st Prize Patel Brotherhood, 2nd Prize Shree Cutchi Leva Patel Samaj followed by Visa Oshwal Community Children's entry. The Judges comments included that the standard was very high and professional and thoroughly enjoyed judging the same. It was a very well planned and organized event where Mrs. Shaina Shah was the Master of Ceremony, Mrs. Bindi Shah assisted and guided though out in the preparations. In between the garbas, there was a motherdaughter dance performance by Rita and Kashvi Sutaria, a solo song from 7year old Syna Shah, a skit by Neeta, Ela and Manherbhai, and a dance performance by Heeral and Vhyuti Patel. The Chairman of Visa Oshwal Community addressed the audience and updated them on the upcoming projects by the Community. After the presentation of the prizes by the Sponsor, everybody was treated to a delicious lunch of hot puran puri, kesarmani, khandvi, bhajia, 3 curries, rice, daal, salad, etc. The programme was attended by about 1200 people and 🔃 everyone enjoyed the Program thoroughly.









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The Library Committee organized a successful flower arrangement workshop, led by the talented Priya Shah.

Our participants had an amazing workshop, with everyone going home with more than one arrangement that they had hand crafted themselves from various types of flowers. This was a great opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to learn a new skill and take home something beautiful.

We are looking forward to hosting another workshop towards the end of this year.



<u>RELIGION</u> COMMITTEE

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Religion Committee organized a program of Jain Stories & Quiz. 8 small Jain stories were projected on screen namely, Why do Jains celebrate Diwali, Mahavir Swami & Chandkaushik, Prabhu Parshwanath & Meghmali, Satyawadi Chor, Sheth Sudarshan, King Meghrath, Balmuni aimutta, why children should attend pathshala (to avoid being angry, not to lie, not to steal, to understand & take care of living beings & to put in practice non violence). The stories were in English, Hindi & Gujarati. Audience really enjoyed these stories & learnt a lot. There were many children who were present in this program. The children benefitted from the presentation.

eg. respect parents, not to get angry, don't lie etc. After stories projection there was quiz. Around 20 questions were asked & instant prizes were given to the audience who gave correct answers.

Overall it was a knowledgeable evening filled with entertainment in a Jainism way





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