

Preface – Durga Puja

As summer fades into the changing leaves of fall, we rejoice the auspicious and joyous moments of **Ma Durga's** annual visit to bless mankind with peace and prosperity. We cordially invite you to join us during Durga Puja with your family and friends on **October 8 – 9, 2016** at

Venue

Avondale Middle School
1445 West Auburn Road
Rochester Hills, MI 48309

Directions to Venue



The school is located on Auburn road between Livernois road and Crooks road.

From Livernois: West on Auburn (about 0.4 miles), school on left
From Crooks: East on Auburn (about 0.4 miles), school on right

Schedule

Saturday, October 8

09:00 am – Puja
10:30 am – Anjali*
11:30 am – Lunch
01:00 pm – Variety Program
06:00 pm – Aarati
06:30 pm – Dinner
08:00 pm – Featured Program

Sunday, October 9

09:00 am – Puja
10:30 am – Anjali*
11:30 am – Lunch
01:00 pm – Variety Program
06:00 pm – Aarati & Bisarjan
06:30 pm – Dinner
07:30 pm – Closing

*Please note that Anjali will not be done beyond 12:30 pm.

Featured Artists

Iman Chakraborty: Rabindra Sangeet and Folk singer, performing on October 8 in the evening

Shovon Ganguly: Zee Bangla Sa Re Ga Ma Pa winner, performing on October 8 in the evening

Prabal Bhattacharyya: Indian Classical singer, performing on October 9 in the afternoon

Suggested Event Fees

Categories	October 8 – 9	October 8	October 9
Member Family	\$200	\$135	\$100
Member Single	\$110	\$80	\$60
Non-member Family	\$225	\$155	\$125
Non-member Single	\$135	\$105	\$85
Student Family/Single*	\$50/person	\$30/person	\$20/person

*Student ID is required to receive student discounts.

Brochure

We are inviting the following that you may want to include / share in our Annual Brochure:

- **sponsorship / advertisement**
- **creative reflections** such as articles and art works
- **life changing events and key milestones** – this includes family addition, sacred thread ceremony (upanayan), graduation, marriage, wedding anniversary (25 years or more, in multiples of five such as 25, 30, 35, 40 etc.) and obituary

Community Directory

If you have not already received an email requesting to verify your contact information, please let us know. We will be happy to update your information or include your information (name, mailing address, email address and phone number) in our directory prior to this year's publication.

Submission Timeline

All submissions must be received by **Wednesday, September 21, 2016** for final publication. ***We cannot guarantee inclusion of any submissions that do not follow guidelines or do not meet the deadline.*** Please contact us at secretary@bichitra.org for more details including submission guidelines.

Sibu Award – Volunteer Recognition

Calling all high school students to participate in a short essay contest reflecting their voluntary work in the community. This award is sponsored in loving memory of Sibnath Chakraborty. For details and forms, please visit www.bichitra.org.

Razzmatazz – Treasure Trading for Kids

Bring your toys, books, board games etc. to trade with your friends during Durga Puja. Please do **not** bring **money, soft toys, sharp items and clothes** for exchange.

Picnic Update

2016 Bichitra Annual Picnic was a great success. Thanks to Sandip Chatterjee and his team for their tireless efforts to make some more



long-lasting memories. Everyone enjoyed the day with scrumptious food and fun-filled games and adda.