

### MISSION STATEMENT AND VISION

#### Mission Statement:

Indo-US Cultural Association (IUCA) has a mission to share the beauty of India and unity in diversity of Indians with the Triad community by raising awareness about diverse Indian culture, especially among younger generations of Indian and U.S. born Indians. By organizing various cultural, health (5K run), social and charitable activities IUCA involves youth in all aspects of life and offers opportunities to learn about Indian culture, leadership skills and compassion.

#### Vision:

Indo-US Cultural Association (IUCA) is a non-profit organization with a vision of fostering cultural awareness of Indian cultural heritage. IUCA takes distinct pride in promoting cultural awareness through dance, music, drama, and art in the community. It was founded in the 1970s. Our association has grown exponentially for the past 30 years with more than 200

President

**Sita Somara**

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## IUCA 2019 YOUTH COMMITTEES

### Event Coordination Committee

President:

**Shruti Arekapudi**

Vice-President:

**Vaishnavi Chintalapati**

Secretary:

**Aarya Sahasrabudhe**

### Community Service Committee

President:

**Sneha Nandapradeepan**

Vice-President:

**Anya Narayan**

Secretary:

**Samika Aher**

### Special Series Committee

President:

**Harshita Arekapudi**

Vice-President:

**Laasya Karnati**

Secretary:

**Sohan Sagar**

### Communication Committee

President:

**Ojasvi Deep**

Vice-President:

**Neha Nandapradeepan**

Secretary:

**Rohit Yammani**

### Event Coordination Committee

The Event Coordination Committee works around the year to schedule youth volunteers for upcoming IUCA events (Kickoff, India Fest, Holi, Independence Day, Diwali, etc.). This committee interacts with the IUCA volunteer lead of the executive committee to assign tasks to youth volunteers.

### Community Service Committee

The Community Service Committee appoint youth volunteers for community services such as Temple 5K Run, North South Foundation Contest, School Supplies Fundraising, Interfaith W-S's Festival of Faith and Cultural, etc. This committee is accountable for scheduling dates along with timings to volunteers for coming events.

### Special Series Committee

The Special Series Committee's job is to bring in a subject matter expert to teach a specific topic such as Sustainability, Renewable Energy, Human Health, and Preventable Diseases, etc. The principal goal of this committee is to promote education on healthy living, actions on environmental issues and instill the culture of conservation.

### Communication Committee

The Communication Committee is to disseminate information about upcoming activities and events. This committee designs and maintains the Youth club's website and quarterly newsletter.

## Past Events

### **The Kickoff**

IUCA 2019 – IUCA's 2019 yearlong celebrations started with the Kickoff party at the Little Creek Recreation Center on Feb 16, 2019. At this event, the new committee members were introduced followed by cultural performances, games and delicious Indian street food.

### **Holi**

The venue for this year's Holi celebrations was Sri Mata Hindu Temple (8535 Lasater Rd, Clemmons, NC 27012). This year, Holi was played by more than 200 people at the temple premises with live performances with a great sound system. Besides, live performances the small kids enjoyed the egg-race. Holi festivities are incomplete without the delicious food. The community enjoyed the delicious food provided by Chatrath and Bhavi Patel family, and local restaurants-BBQ Nation and Nawab. Our heartfelt thanks for their services to the community.

## Upcoming Events

### **Independence Day Picnic**

The Independence Day Picnic will be held on August 17, 2019, from 11:00 am- 3:00 pm at Leinbach Park (3511 Sally Kirk Road, Winston Salem, NC 27104). The main enjoyment of this day includes patriotic songs, dances, games, and delicious food.

### **Dandiya- October Fest**

Dandiya is a traditional folk dance which is very energetic and playful. Wooden sticks are used as performers hold sticks in both their hands and strike them together on the beats of the music played. Dandiya will be celebrated on October 5, 2019, from 7:00 pm-11:00 pm at the New Hope Presbyterian Church (2570 Harper Road, Clemmons, NC 27012).



## India Fest



This year's India Fest was celebrated under the guise of Utsav: Rainbow of Unity on May 4th at the Corpening Plaza, Winston Salem. India Fest is one of the much awaited event of the year. The Indian diaspora presented various cultural performances in the form of traditional, classical, Bollywood style dances, songs, and musical instruments. With the help of the MCs (Masters of Ceremonies), performances went smoothly. The authentic and delicious cuisine provided by local area restaurants was amazing. Vendors showcasing the India handicrafts, traditional and contemporary jewelry and cloths were one of the highlights. India Fest was a Grand success, which attracted more than thousand people from neighboring cities.

# Youth Club: Special Series Recent Event

INDO US CULTURAL ASSOCIATION YOUTH SPECIAL SERIES COMMITTEE



**IUCA**  
Youth Club  
*presents*

## College Admissions – Dos & Don'ts

**Jun 1st 2019 @ 2:15 pm**

join us for a panel discussion with

**Panelists**



**AKSHAT DIXIT**  
NC State University  
Benjamin Franklin Scholar  
Computer Science /Economics (Dual Degree)



**HIMANI BHAT**  
Reagan High School  
Duke University (2019 Fall)



**GAYATHRI RAMANATHAN**  
Reagan High School  
NC State University (2019 Fall)



**JAYA MISHRA**  
UNC Chapel Hill  
Morehead-Cain Scholar/Carolina Honors College  
Neuroscience Major (On pre-med track)

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