

Sharing the Joy Newsletter - February 14th 2025



SHARING THE JOY

NEWSLETTER
FROM LIFE ETERNAL TRUST AUSTRALIA

Dear Brothers and Sisters.

Jai Shri Mataji!

Another Newsletter Already? We had such a positive response to the first edition of 'Sharing the Joy' and Yogis were asking for more, especially the photos of HH Shri Mataji's homes and memories from the past. So in response we will be sharing the newsletter every two weeks for a short period.

We hope everyone is settling into the relaxed, joyful state that comes when we surrender everything to Our Divine Mother and rise above the maya which seeks to distract us. We are introducing a 'Resources' section, and we hope you are enjoying the 'Speech of the Week', an initiative of the Trustees.

With love from the LETA Trustees



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See all 'Speech of the Week' episodes at: https://www.yogis.com.au/category/speech-of-the-week/

See all "Sharing the Joy" Newsletters at: https://www.yogis.com.au/category/sharing-the-joy/



This beautiful poem was written by H.H.Shri Mataji to the seekers in 1972, on Her first trip to America for the first public program

To My Flower Children

You are angry with life,
Like small children,
Whose mother is lost in darkness....

You sulk expressing despair, At the fruitless end to your journey.....

You wear ugliness to discover beauty, You name everything false in the name of truth....

You drain emotions to fill the cup of love,
My sweet children, my darlings,
How can you get peace by waging war
With yourself, with your being, with joy itself....

Enough are your efforts of renunciation, The artificial mask of consolation....

Now rest in the petals of the lotus flower, In the lap of your gracious Mother....

I will adorn your life with beautiful blossoms, And fill your moments with joyful fragrance....

I will anoint your head with divine love, For I cannot bear your torture anymore....

Let me engulf you in the ocean of joy, So you lose your being in the greater one....

Who is smiling in your calyx of Self, Secretly hidden to tease you all the while....

Be aware and you will find him, Vibrating your every fibre with blissful joy, Covering the whole Universe with light...

> Your Mother, Nirmala

A poem by Shri Mataji Nirmala Devi, aged seven and as narrated by Her in Dhulia, India, 14th January 1983.

To be a dust particle

I want to be like a dust particle which moves with the wind.

It goes everywhere.

Can go, sit on the head of a king, or can go and fall at the feet of someone.

And it can go and sit on a little flower, and it can go and sit everywhere.

But I want to be a particle of dust.

That is fragrant, that is nourishing, that is enlightening.



HH SHRI MATAJI'S BEAUTIFUL HOMES

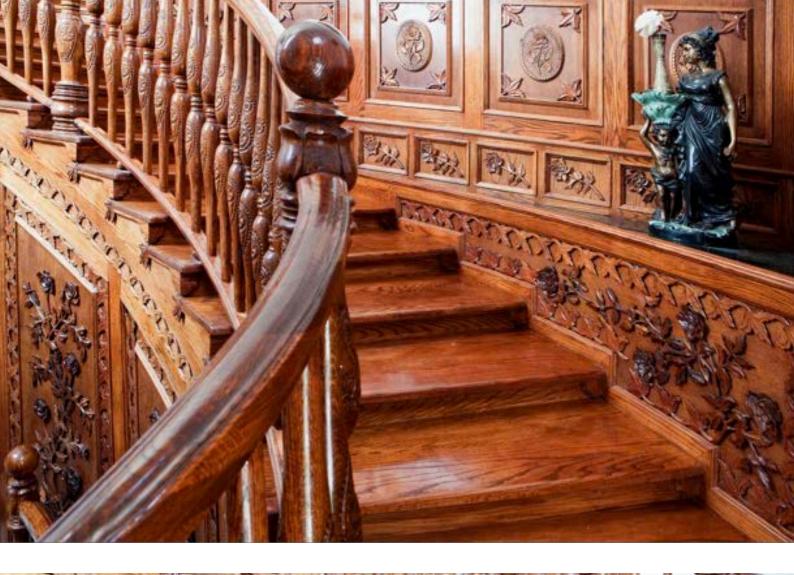


NEW JERSEY - NEW YORK - USA The home was built for HH Shri Mataji by the USA Yogis























Next Newsletter - CABELLA Photos

Sweet Memories







Passport



Wedding - 7th April 1947











HH Shri Mataji's letter to the early Australian Sahaja Yogis - 1985

Typed version below

Mataji Nirmala Devi Srivastava 56 Ashley Gardens London SW1 Telephone (01) 828 6061

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Mataji Nirmala Devi Srivastava 56 Ashley Gardens London SW1 Telephone (01) 828 6061

My dearest Children of Australia

What a pleasure it is to read your letters! You all are so very fortunate people to be born in that virgin land surrounded by unpolluted sea.

My fate is not so good. I am working very hard in England. It is a stupendous task to awaken the people from inertia.

But England is very important. It is the heart of the Universe and if it gets into the grip of negativity the whole game would be over. There are so many problems that I feel I may give up.

Only the letters from positive Sahaja Yogis like you Australians and Indians are keeping Sahaja Yoga alive in my heart. I have got all the photographs which show how the seeds of Sahaja Yoga are taking roots. I see your sparkling eyes and know that you are my children my very own.

May you all be blessed more and more. Enjoy the waves of bliss and love in the ocean of your Mother's care and concern.

Still we have to do a lot for these other parts of the world. I have no 'desire' so pray for English people. They are very weak and need your help. They keep me over busy, so I cannot write to you. But you are always in my heart.

With all my love and blessings. Yours as ever, Your Mother - Nirmala



HH Shri Mataji on a train trip to Scotland with a tear in Her eye while reading the works of Robbie Burns



In the past many Yogis have been inspired to express their love and deep gratitude in poems and stories to HH Shri Mataji for Her great gift of Self Realisation and the many blessing She provides, and we want to encourage everyone to express and share this love in our newsletter.

Please send anything you would like to offer Her Holiness and share with Her family to: **sahaja.sharingthejoy@gmail.com** Below are some beautiful offerings from the past.

O Great Spirit,
Shri Mataji Nirmala Devi
Whose voice we hear in the winds
And whose breath gives life to all the world,
Hear us!

We are small and weak,
We need your strength and wisdom.
Let us walk in Beauty, and make our eyes
Ever behold the red and purple sunset.
Make our hands respect the things you have
Made and our ears sharp to hear your voice.

Let us learn the lessons

You have hidden in every leaf and rock.

We seek strength, not to be greater than our brother

But to fight our greatest enemy – Ourselves.

Make us always ready to come to you

With clean hands and straight eyes.

So when life fades, as the fading sunset,

Our spirit may come to you – Without Shame

This poem was presented to Shri Mataji by Canadian Sahaja Yogis in 2006.

The miracle of life

The beatitude of that blissful morn'
With finger lines on the window's frost
The rays of dawn when strike thy face

Did you smile an' bow in awe

The aromas of the morning glory

And soothing shrills of the little starling

The wild flowers brushing shades on the pickets

And rain drops touching each pore

Little children walking in joy

And splashing puddles without a 'morrow

The motherly aroma of the wet soils

And calming sway of the firs and pines

With each step a magical moment

If only to open the eye

And embrace the divine's greatest present
Grass blades cushioning the seeker's feet
And dew drops awashing each wrinkle
As a butterfly gently brushed past
Which of us noticed in the chaotic vast

So is the blessed seeker
With joys of the eternal play
Dramas unfolding all 'round us
Every moment of the day.

Rahul Shinde

The Sacred Tree of Life

"And all the men gathered around Jesus, and their faces shone with the desire to hear the words which would come from his lips.

And he lifted his face to the rising sun, and the radiance of its rays filled his eyes as he spoke: ..."

"And the Communions are fourteen in number,
As the Angels of the Heavenly Father
Number seven,

And just as the roots of the tree
Sink into the earth and are nourished,
And the branches of the tree
Raise their arms to heaven,

So is man like the trunk of the tree,
With his roots deep
In the breast of his Earthly Mother,
And his soul ascending
To the bright stars of his Heavenly Father.

And the roots of the tree
Are the Angels of the Earthly Mother,
And the branches of the tree
Are the angels of the Heavenly Father.

And this is the sacred Tree of Life Which stands in the Sea of Eternity."

From 'Communions' in the Gospel of the Essenes, translated from the original Hebrew and Aramaic texts by Edmond Bordeaux Szekely.



Sharing our RESOURCES

Our www.yogis.com.au website has a selection of Resources to assist Yogis wanting to arrange programs or conduct on-line courses via various media.

Resources for all Yogis hosting online Courses & Programs

Extracts of Shri Mataji's video talks.

More videos & Resources

Music – Audios and Videos

Photos

How to Live stream from Zoom to YouTube Tutorial

Zoom training and presentation tips

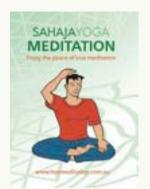
Presentation resources

Websites for seekers, and much more

Please visit:

https://www.yogis.com.au/webcasting-resources/





Samples of brochures available to download

under - Publications for New People

https://www.yogis.com.au/webcasting-resources/

Small Information Phamphlet

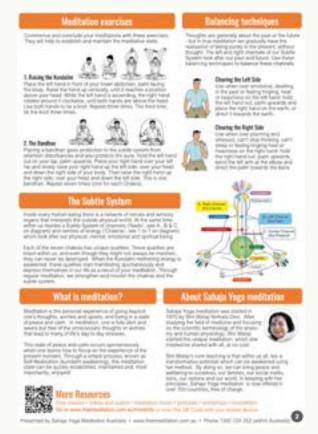
Double - sided 4 pages, folded size: 100mm H x 70mm W. Contains overview of Sahaja Yoga, Shri Mataji and meditation. Intended for people briefly visiting or walking past a Self-Realisation stall at a fair or festival etc.



Meditation and Balancing Guide

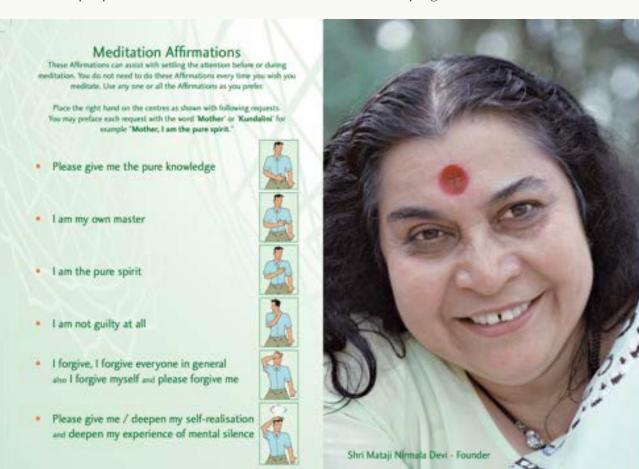
Double - sided A4 - Self Realisation, balancing and raising Kundalini and Bandhan.

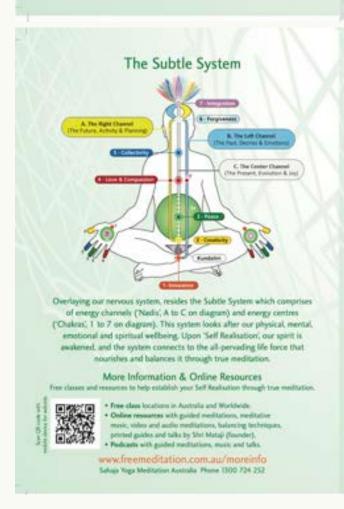




Meditation card

Contains information on how to meditate, affirmations and balancing. Includes a large photo of HH Shri Mataji that can be framed. Intended for people who have received their Self-Realisation at a program, fair or festival.





SAHAJAYOGA MEDITATION General Instructions on How To Meditate II Find a relatively quiet space with minimum disturbances and, if you like, light a small candle in front of the photo, and some incense to help you to establish a calm, peaceful environs Remove shoes, spectacles, and loosen any tight clothing. Sit comfortably with both hands open, palms up on your lap. Take a few deep breaths, then breathe in a quiet, relaxed way. Try the Meditation Affirmations and hand positions sequence. This sequence will help you to develop the experience of deeper peace and mental silence - 'the space between the thoughts'. If you find it difficult to quieten the mind, repeat the affirmation sequence, or simply say " Not this thought. Not this thought" or try to clear your left side or right side as be just above your head, in deep mental silence, in Meditation. Leave the hands palms-upward in the lap, and eyes closed, when silent inside, check above the head for cool vibration Take time to enjoy the peace, and the flow, of mental silence.

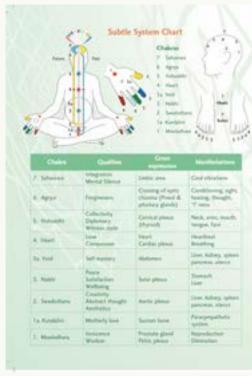
Hard copies available for Yogis

Hard copies of all the items (except for the 'Meditation and Balancing Guide') are available from Burwood Ashram's Resources Room in Sydney, or please contact Radhika Richardson (radhika.richardson@gmail.com) to place an order and have them shipped to you.

'Welcome to Sahahja Yoga' Phamphlet

Double-sided 3 pages, folded size: 210mm H x 150mm W Contains information on HH Shri Mataji, Affirmations, bandhans and chakra qualities. Intended for people who have attended several meetings.





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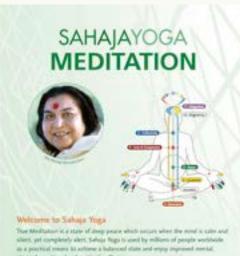
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MahaShivaratri Puja Glenrock, NSW, Feb 29 1992

MAHASHIVARATRI PUJA CELEBRATIONS AROUND THE COUNTRY

NEW SOUTH WALES

Shivaratri Puja will be celebrated at the Balmoral property on the 1st of March 2025 at 2pm

ACT (CANBERRA)

National MahaShivaratri Puja will be celebrated between Sat 28th Feb to 2nd of March 2025 at Outward Bound Camp in Thawra south of Canberra Live streaming of Puja - See below

VICTORIA

Shivaratri Puja will be celebrated at Lower Templestowe Community Centre - 2nd of March - 10am

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Shivaratri Puja will be celebrated on Saturday 1st March Cheltenham Community Centre 1:00pm -6:00pm

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Shivaratri Puja will be celebrated at Gidgegannup on Sunday 2nd of March 2025 - 12.30pm

QUEENSLAND

Shivaratri Puja will be celebrated at Wamuran on the 1st of March 2025

MahaShivaratri Puja will be **streaming from Canberra** on Saturday 1st March 2025 at 6.30pm Sydney time. **Visit website for streaming link at:** https://sway.cloud.microsoft/.X9fcpsGSEYY7GGaO?ref=link



International Yuva Seminar in Romania 20th – 24th March 2025

Dear Yuvas.

We're back with the official registration form for the International Yuva Seminar in Romania.

Many of you may know that we're going to have a Yuva seminar in Romania during the auspicious occasion of Birthday Puja.

The dates for the seminar are 20-24 March and the cost is 50€

You will find all the information on activities and our schedule for the weekend here:

https://www.garlandofdevotion.com/project/yuva-seminar-25

The link to register is also on the website.

Register now!

Jai Shri Mataji!

Spreading the Love



'Innovative' meditation program on the Gold Coast - 2016

Programs designed for the outdoors using clearing techniques have proven popular with seekers with no prior experience in meditation. Dozens of new people have received Self-Realisation and experienced clearing techniques using natural elements like water, fire, air and earth.

The location is specially created to enhance the meditative state in nature and is positioned near the lake at the back of the Arts Centre Gold Coast, near a structure called "Peace Pavilion".

In addition to an introduction in Sahaja Yoga followed by Self-Realisation, the meditation program also includes:

- A series of exercises/stretches to assist the flow of Kundalini in chakras and nadis as taught by Shri Mataji.
- Light form of exercise/stretches such as Pilates or Gyrotonics. This form
 of movement consists of exercise sequences intended to increase the
 functional capacity of the entire organism in a harmonious way. The
 continuous flowing movements are synchronized with corresponding
 breath patterns.
- Clearing techniques for chakras and nadis
- Meditation



OUR REQUIRED POLICIES



Dear Family

To help everyone become aware of and understand our required LETA policies we will feature some in each Newsletter with a brief summation and a link to the full policy. Sahaja Yogis are encouraged to learn about these important guidelines to ensure we all get to enjoy our family without disturbances and comply with all legal requirements.

This edition features the 'Workplace, Health & Safety' and 'Prevention of Bullying' policies.

Workplace, Health & Safety

LETA/LEPA is committed to make every reasonable and practical effort to ensure that its volunteers, participating members of public and yogis visiting its premises or attending events organised by LETA/LEPA are safe from Injury and risk to health.

LETA/LEPA will implement following measures to achieve the objectives of this policy:

- implement safety procedures to be followed at LETA/LEPA's premises and during participation in LETA/LEPA events;
- communicate the safety procedures to its volunteers and regular visitor and casual visitors;
- The LETA/LEPA premises are maintained to ensure;
- no slip & trip hazards;
- adequate ventilation;
- adequate and clean amenities;
- adequate lighting in the evening or in dark areas;
- adequate drinking water supply;
- no overcrowding;
- no rubbish accumulation;
- free from electrical hazards;
- free from fire hazards;
- no emergency exits being obstructed;
- mimimise and protect against sun exposure during outdoor events
- secure premises against entry by unwanted persons;

- prepare and display emergency evacuation plan;
- assess risk of fire before puja/havan involving fire, flames, candles or incense;
- display general rules of attending its premises at prominent location within the premises;
- ensure that a first aid qualified volunteer is in attendance along with a first aid facility at significant events;
- conduct annual review of the Health and Safety Management system and identify areas of improvement

See the full policy at: https://www.syletanews.com/policies

Prevention of Bullying & Sexual Harassment Policy

LETA/LEPA is committed to prevention of bullying and sexual harassment within its domain.

Bullying is repeated, unreasonable, intimidating, offending, demeaning, degrading, threatening or humiliating behaviour by one or group of persons towards a person or group of persons and such behaviour may create safety and/or mental health issues for the person or group of persons.

Bullying is persistent in nature and can involve a range of behaviours noted above. Instances of bullying can include but not limited to following:

- abusive, insulting or offensive language or comments
- Physical intimidation
- unjustified criticism or complaints
- deliberately excluding someone from routine activities
- withholding information that is vital for effective performance
- . setting unreasonable timelines or constantly changing deadlines
- denying access to information, supervision, consultation or resources to the detriment of the targeted person or group

Allegations of bullying should be promptly reported along with all details including the date, time, any witnesses and other information to assist an investigation to the National Compliance Coordinator (compliance.syaus@gmail.com)

See the full policy at: https://www.syletanews.com/policies





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PUJA DATES 2025

Mahasamadhi 23rd Feb

Krishna Puja 24th August

MahaShivaratri Puja 2nd March Ganesha Puja 30th August

Birthday Puja 21st March

Marriages 1st September

Easter Puja 20th April

Navratri Puja 28th September

Sahasrara Puja 4th May

Diwali Puja 19th October

Shri Adi Shakti 8th June

Shri Bhairavah 20th November

Guru Puja 13th July

Christmas Puja 25th December

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SOMETHING TO SHARE?

Please send us any positive news to share, including photos, artwork, poems, stories, recollections, new ideas for spreading Sahaja Yoga, weddings, new arrivals and anything joyful to:

sahaja.sharingthejoy@gmail.com

(All contributions will be subject to approval by the Newsletter Team)

Thank You Dearest Mother for our self realisation and all the blessings. Jai Shri Mataji!

