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Beloved’s Whim!

# *Avatar’s Abode 59<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Program*

*“I am coming to America and Australia solely to give My Sahavas to My lovers, and I want each of you to come with the longing to receive just that. I want this Sahavas to be above all a close companionship between your Beloved and His lovers.” — Meher Baba*

Excerpt from a letter sent from Mahabaleshwar, 12<sup>th</sup> April, 1958, to all those attending the Sahavas at Myrtle Beach, USA and at Kiel Mountain, Australia.

*Welcome to guests, Hardeep and Indra Hanspaal and to all from near and far.*

## Friday, 9th June

10.00 – 11.30 am    *Quiet time in Baba’s House*

**11.30 am**        **Flag raising** – the Opening of the 59<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – (Baba’s Square, between Baba’s House & the Meeting Hall)

1.00 pm:         **BYO Lunch** (tea and coffee provided in The Anniversary Kitchen)

3.00 pm         **Meet and greet our invited guests, Hardeep and Indra Hanspaal at Afternoon Tea** (The Bookshop)  
*Over the weekend, Hardeep will speak of meeting Baba; incidences in front of Baba; share some unpublished stories; talk of meetings in 1962, 1963, 1965 and 1969; and Indra will tell her Baba story.*

3.00 – 4.30 pm    *Quiet time in Baba’s House*

**5.00pm**         **Arti** followed by impromptu songs, poetry, dancing and music - to 5.45 pm (Baba’s House)

6.00 – 7.45 pm    **Dinner & Fellowship** (The Anniversary Kitchen)

**8.00 – 9.00 pm**    **Short evening program in Baba’s House** – *Welcoming talk; twenty-minute talk by Hardeep and Indra; followed by short film.*

**Children:**        **8.00 pm – 9pm Babysitting – Parent’s responsibility. Warm location available if pre-arranged by 5 pm with Reception.**

*Open (Bookshop): 2.00 – 3.00 pm*

**Sport:** Volleyball, badminton & table tennis are available to play in designated areas in mornings & afternoons.

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## Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> June

- 8 to 9.00 am      **Quiet Time** in Baba's Room and House (Baba's House)
- 8 to 9.00 am      **Breakfast:** tea & toast (The Anniversary Kitchen)
- 9.00 am**          **Arti** followed by impromptu songs, music, dancing and poetry – to 9.45 am (Baba's House)
- 10.00 - 12 noon**    **Children – Art and craft activities** – with parents' assistance (The Shed's Art & Craft Space)
- 10.00 – 10.45 am**    **The Bookshop Happening:-** *Poets' morning tea – you don't have to be a writer of poetry; just an appreciator of poetry. Coffee and tea available in the Bookshop.* – facilitator Lorraine Brown
- 10.50 - 11.05 am**    **Icebreakers and games for adults and children in Baba's House** – *Baba loved games and fun. Come along and help lighten His burden by making Him laugh.* – facilitator Angela Newcomb
- 11.15 – 12.45 pm**    **Talks by Hardeep and Indra Hanspaal** (Baba's House)
- 1.00 pm**            **Lunch** (The Anniversary Kitchen)
- 2.15 – 2.45 pm**      **Gospel sing-shop in the Shed** with Kris and Raine
- 2.00 – 3.00 pm**      **Children – Art and craft activities** – with parents' assistance - **see children's program** (The Shed)
- 3.00 – 4.30 pm**      **Afternoon Program – Offerings to our Beloved Baba** (The Shed)  
*Including children's performances – Amelie Newcomb – piano recital; Elischa and Meherwan – songs;*  
*Ward Parks and company – songs; Short skit with Avatar's Abode Singers; Kendra – performance poetry & theatre piece; Raine – songs; Robert Blair – songs; Angela Newcomb – songs; Jim Dowling – songs; Kris Hines – songs; George McGahey – skit; Mary Bateman – songs; Raine – songs;*
- 5.00 pm**          **Arti** followed by impromptu songs, poems, dancing and music – to 5.45 pm (Baba's House)
- 6.00 – 7.45 pm**      **Dinner** (The Anniversary Kitchen)
- 8.00 – 9.00 pm**      **Short Evening Program – Singing, poetry and storytelling around the fire** (around bonfire)
- Children:**          **8.00 pm – 9pm Babysitting – Parent's responsibility. Warm location available if pre-arranged by 5 pm with Reception.**

**Bookshop open: 10.45 – 11.00 am & 2.00 – 3.00 pm**

**Sport:** Volleyball, badminton and table tennis are available to play in designated areas in the mornings & afternoons.

# Avatar's Abode 59<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Program

## Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> June

- 8 to 9.00 am      **Quiet Time** in Baba's Room and House (Baba's House)
- 8 to 9.00 am      **Breakfast:** Billy tea and damper round the campfire (Bonfire area)
- 9.00 am**          **Arti** (Baba's House)
- 9.15 – 9.45 am    *Children's time in Baba's House with Mary-Anne – stories and songs*
- 10.00 – 12 noon   **Children – Art and craft activities-** *with parents' assistance – see children's program* (The Shed)
- 10.00 – 11.00 am   **Bookshop Happening** *Raine & Friends – Musical presentation about Francis Brabazon in Australia after 1969.*
- 11.15 – 12.45 pm   **Talks by Hardeep and Indra Hanspaal** (Baba's House)
- 1.00 pm:          **Lunch** (The Anniversary Kitchen)
- 2.00 – 2.45 pm    **Environmental walk with Eruch Rowan – children and adults** (Meet at ... )  
OR
- 2.00 – 3.00 pm    **Children – Art and craft activities** – with parents' assistance – **see children's program** (The Shed)
- 3.00 pm – 4.30 pm   **Entertaining the Beloved** (The Shed) *Ward Parks and company – songs; Meher and Sage – songs; Robert Welsh and Ravi – songs;*  
*Rani and Torien – songs; Jenny Thompson - 2 songs;*  
*Followed by – Whiteboard Concert – sign up by 2 pm on Sunday*
- 5.00 pm**          **Arti** followed by impromptu songs, poems, dancing and music - to 5.45 pm (Baba's House)
- 6.00 – 7.45 pm    **Dinner** (The Anniversary Kitchen)
- 8.00 – 9.00 pm    **Short evening program in Baba's House** – *Twenty minute talk by Hardeep and Indra;*  
*followed by film, "Meherwan Jessawala talks about Francis Brabazon", by Michael LePage.*
- Children:**        **8.00 pm – 9pm Babysitting – Parent's responsibility. Warm location available if pre-arranged by 5 pm with Reception.**

*Bookshop open: 2.00 – 3.00 pm*

**Sport:** Volleyball, badminton and table tennis are available to play in designated areas in the mornings & afternoons.

# Avatar's Abode 59<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Program

## Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> June

8 to 9.00 am      **Quiet Time** in Baba's Room and House (Baba's House)

8 to 9.00 am      **Breakfast:** tea & toast (The Anniversary Kitchen)

**9.00 am**          **Arti** (Baba's House) followed by impromptu songs, music, dancing & poetry to 9.45 am

**10.00 – 12 noon**    **Children's Craft Activities** — under parents' supervision - **see children's program** (The Shed)

**10.00 – 11.00 am**    **Bookshop Happening** *Panel discussion facilitated by Rani Foley – Rani will invite Baba folk of all ages to be a part of a panel and ask questions about Baba in their lives.*

**11.15 – 12.15 am**    *Continuing Hardeep and Indra's stories* (Baba's House)

**12.30 pm:**          **Lunch** (The Anniversary Kitchen)

**1.30 pm**              Taking Baba with us ... farewell songs in Baba's House

**2.30 pm**              **Flag lowering – AVATAR MEHER BABA KI JAI – until next Anniversary!** (Baba's Square)

*Bookshop open: 9.45 – 10.00 am    &    11.00 – 11.15 am    &    1.00 – 2.00pm*

**Sport:** Volleyball, badminton and table tennis are available to play in designated areas in the morning.