

AVATAR'S ABODE
Spring Sahavas Programme 2024
Saturday October 5 – Monday October 7

Saturday		
Morning		
9.00	Prayers and Arti	Baba's House
9.30 – 10.30	<u>Jack's Obsession</u> When Jack Mormon first went to Meherabad in 1972 for 3-4 months he was very interested in first edition books by, for and about Meher Baba. The need to preserve the original written word of the Avatar was foremost in Jack's mind. Jack's passion for archiving was fanned when he moved to Australia and met Francis Brabazon and, as fate would have it, saved much of Francis' 'stuff' from 'the fire'. Jack was fortunate to have both Mani and Meheru instruct him on the preservation and protection of precious items associated with the Avatar. Jack will welcome questions from the audience.	Baba's House
10.35 – 11.05	Morning Tea with barista coffee and cakes (\$4)	Kitchen
11.15 – 12.05	<u>A Tour Through the Avatar's Abode Website</u> The new Avatar's Abode website was launched two years ago but many are still not aware of the treasures that lie within. Prepare to be very pleasantly surprised by the variety of informative and fascinating material at your fingertips.	Baba's House
Lunch		
12.10 – 1.25	Catered Vegetarian Lunch – Adults \$15, teenagers \$10, children by donation. <u>To reserve lunch please RSVP by October 2nd: Text – 0401 035 083 (Glenda & David Hobson) or email – avatarsabodespringsahavas@gmail.comHobson</u> Barista Coffee (\$3)	Kitchen
12.30 – 1.30	Bookstore open	
Afternoon		
1.30 – 2.30	<u>Kirtan Singing – with Sage Beame</u> Kirtan is a Sanskrit word which refers to a call-and-response style song or chant, set to music, wherein multiple singers recite the names of a deity, describe a legend, express loving devotion to a deity, or discuss spiritual ideas. Sage will lead us in Kirtan singing devoted to our Beloved.	Baba's House
2.35 – 2.50	Break	
2.55 – 3.35	<u>The Making of <i>Life at its Best</i></u> Meherwan Jessawala talks about his role in the making of Meher Baba's book of short discourses, <i>Life at its Best</i> . A video by Michael Le Page followed by the reading of a few of these exquisite discourses.	Baba's House
3.40 – 4.20	<u>Dancing With Love – with Kris Hines</u> Come and boogie like no-one's watching to our favourite happy love songs.	Baba's House
<u>End of Saturday's Program – See You Tomorrow</u>		

Sunday

Morning

9.00	Prayers and Arti	Baba's House
9.30 – 10.30	<u>Avatar Meher Baba Heartland Center</u> A presentation by our guest Alisa Genovese on the Heartland Center in Prague, Oklahoma and the preservation of the sites associated with Baba's 1952 car accident in America.	Baba's House
10.35 – 11.05	Morning Tea with barista coffee and cakes (\$4)	Kitchen
11.15 – 12.15	<u>A Feast for the Heart – facilitator Jack Mormon</u> Can there be a more important tale to tell for a seeker of Truth than how they were drawn into Love's orbit. Jack Mormon will invite sahavasees to warm our hearts with their stories of how Baba captured their hearts.	Baba's House

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Afternoon

1.40 – 2.30	<u>Treasures from 1970/80s Anniversaries</u> A joyful photographic tour through some of the early anniversaries. Courtesy of Bernard Bruford.	Baba's House
2.35 – 2.50	An audio recording of Raine Eastman-Gannett and Sue Jamison singing Francis' songs at a 1970's anniversary.	Baba's House
2.55 – 3.10	Break	Baba's House
3.15 – 3.45	<u>Baba Quiz</u> Test your wits against our quiz masters in this fun session with questions for both the Baba history/cosmology nerds as well as for those who are happy simply knowing that the Avatar has once again graced us with His Presence.	Baba's House
3.50 – 4.15	<u>A Tangible Link To The Eternal</u> A video presentation about the work of the Heartland Memorial Initiative to acquire and memorialize the sacred sites related to Meher Baba's 1952 car accident in Prague, Oklahoma	Baba's House

Monday

Morning

9.30 – 10.35	<u>My Meher Baba Story – Tex Hightower, Part 1.</u> Tex Hightower, master storyteller, master dancer and master craftsman brings his delightful dry humour to these tales of his early life as a farm boy in Texas. Part 1 ends with his first glimpse of Avatar Meher Baba in the lagoon cabin at Meher Spiritual Centre, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.	Baba's House
10.40 – 11.10	Morning Tea	Meeting Hall
11.15– 11.55	<u>Meher Archive Collective (Asheville) & Meher Spiritual Center Archives</u> Jeanette Young visited the Meher Spiritual Center in Myrtle Beach and the Meher Archives Collective in Asheville in April/May this year and will share photos and glimpses into the archival work of both.	Baba's House
12.00	Close with Australian Arti	Baba's House

Spring Sahavas Donations: Those wishing to make a donation towards the Spring Sahavas (.....greatly appreciated!) can do so during the Sahavas, or at any other time at [Spring Sahavas – Avatar's Abode \(avatarsabode.com.au\)](http://avatarsabode.com.au). We suggest \$15 per adult per day, or \$30 for the weekend.