

GODDESS Divine Energy

An Exhibition at ART GALLERY OF NSW 14 October-28 January

Deepavali Celebrations

Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan Australia (Bhavan Australia) jointly with the Art Gallery of NSW (Art Gallery) presented a comprehensive program of Lakshmi Pooja (the ritual of worshipping the Goddess of riches and prosperity); cultural performances of dances and music from the various parts of India; and distributed Deepavali sweets to all the guests (over 600). This program was filmed by the ABC TV (Asia Pacific program) and SBS TV (Here Comes Neighbourhood series).



The ritual of Lakshmi Pooja was presented by Swami Rami Sivan (Ramaanuja) of Sydney followed by home style worships in North Indian and South Indian traditions presented by Dilbar Vora of Dilbar Fashions and Sheela Kumar of Darshan Events and Pushpa Jagdish the talented singer. Kumud Merani (of SBS Radio) narrated the significance of Deepavali and Lakshmi Pooja.

Cultural performances in dances included:

Maharishi, Bhavan's Tablaa teacher, presented instrumental music together with his associate on keyboard.

Sweets from Maya Sweets were distributed by the compliments of Bhavan Australia.



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