

Dear Prospective Performers,

India Association of Greater Boston is pleased to announce our celebration of India's Independence Day. The event will be held on Sunday, August 14, 2016 the Hatch Shell Memorial, Boston, MA. Details on program timing will be shared at a later time.

This year's theme will be **Fusion**. Performances may include, but will not be limited to, dance, music and theater. Fusion performances could include a combination of any two or more styles of the selected rendition (e.g., Indian classical/jazz, folk/contemporary, etc.)

Here are the details for the performers' participation in the program:

- Entries can be in the kids' segment (ages 6 - 12) or the adults' segment (ages 13 and above).
- Groups with 7-10 participants can perform for a maximum of 5 minutes, and those with more than 10 participants can perform for a maximum of 8 minutes.
- Solo performances are not permitted.
- All groups interested in participating must adhere to the theme.
- All entrants should submit a short video of their proposed performances for evaluation by the IAGB Cultural Committee (CC). **See key dates below:**
 - **July 8** - Deadline for online submission of forms and links to YouTube videos for evaluation
 - **July 14** - IAGB CC will communicate selection of group
 - **July 30** - Deadline for payment of participation fees, if applicable
 - **August 7** - Groups to submit final MP3 of their performances to CC for Independence Day program
- CC will review all entries that are submitted prior to the deadline. Please use the link below to submit your entries for performance: <http://goo.gl/forms/qlr6hwboYy7O8vw1>
- If selected, there will be a participation fee for each performer. Participation fee is There is a participation fee of \$15 per performer. **Participation fee is waived for IAGB members.** If you are not currently a member, you are strongly encouraged to sign up for membership at: <http://www.iagb.org/index.php/pay-here/membership/>. **If you signed up for membership prior to or at Republic Day 2016, your participation fee should be covered.** Please note that teams with incomplete participation payment will not be allowed to perform. Team

- Leads are requested to respond to us with confirmation of payment from their participants, should the team be selected for performance.
- Submissions with missing information will be considered incomplete and will not be considered for review. The date and time of your submission on the will be automatically recorded.
 - CC's decision of the performing groups' selection will be final.
 - Please make a video of your item and upload it to YouTube. After you have uploaded the video, share the link with us. **Important:** The video has to be a close representation of your intended performance on Independence Day 2016.
 - Should your team be selected, additional details on next steps will be communicated at that time

IAGB is your community organization in New England. We look forward to your enthusiastic support of the Independence Day 2016 celebration. Together, we can enjoy the vibrant, rich and diverse culture of India. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to us at iagb-cultural-team@googlegroups.com

Thank you,
IAGB Cultural Committee