



## Shiva-Vishnu Temple

Om Namah Shivaya Om Namo Narayanaya

## Hindu Community and Cultural Center

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# Raksha Bandhan

Saturday August 25th, 2018

Kedarnath Hall, 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM



Raksha Bandhan is a famous ritual in Hindu Religion. Raksha Bandhan celebrates brother and sister relationship. On Raksha Bandhan day, the sister ties 'Rakhi' on her brother and who pledge to protect her from any danger.

Raksha Bandhan Festival, also known as Rakhi Festival, is observed on the full moon day (Purnima) in Shravan month. 'Raksha' means protection, and 'Bandhan' here means to tie. On Raksha Bandhan, sisters tie Rakhi, a bracelet made of thread of different colors, on their brothers' hands.

Raksha Bandhan is a tradition, which is popularized among the brothers and sisters to develop the affection and better understanding of the responsibilities in between. The sister receives the love from her brother and the surety of protection when in need.

The following Sloka has to be recited by a sister while tying the Raksha Bandhan in her brother's right hand:

**Yena baddho ball rAjA dAnavendro mahAbalah |  
tena tvAmapi badhnAmi rakshe mA cala mA cala ||**

Meaning: I am tying a Rakhi on you, like the one on mighty King Bali. Be firm, O Rakhi, do not falter.

Oh! security thread, The Divine force which is presiding over! please be stable and never be unstable. With this sacred and security thread the sister who is honored, will be ever stable.



**Sisters from Brahma Kumari organization will visit our Temple on Raksha Bandhan day (Saturday August 25<sup>th</sup>) and provide a short talk on explaining spiritual significance of Raksha Bandhan followed by tying of Rakhi to devotees by sisters of the San Francisco meditation center.**

**All are welcome to participate**

For further details, please contact

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