

Last HSC Weekly Meeting

April 26, 2022

@8-9pm ET in Goddard Chapel

Join us for the last HSC Weekly Meeting of the 21-22 Academic Year with an Alumni Panel:

Meet Nirvanna Lidharrie! She studied Sociology at Tufts and now works as the Senior Enterprise Account Executive in Sales. At Tufts she enjoyed singing in Acapella, painting, and running! One of her favorite memories of tufts is celebrating Holi!

Meet Sidharth Anand! He studied biology and biotechnology at Tufts. He served on the HSC EBoard from his freshman to senior year. He is excited to see everyone at our final meeting!

Meet Akshita Rao! She is a current Masters student at Tufts who is studying Mechanical and Biomedical Engineering. She enjoys climbing, baking and dancing in her free time. Her favorite memories at Tufts are Celebrating holi with her friends!



Weekly Showcase

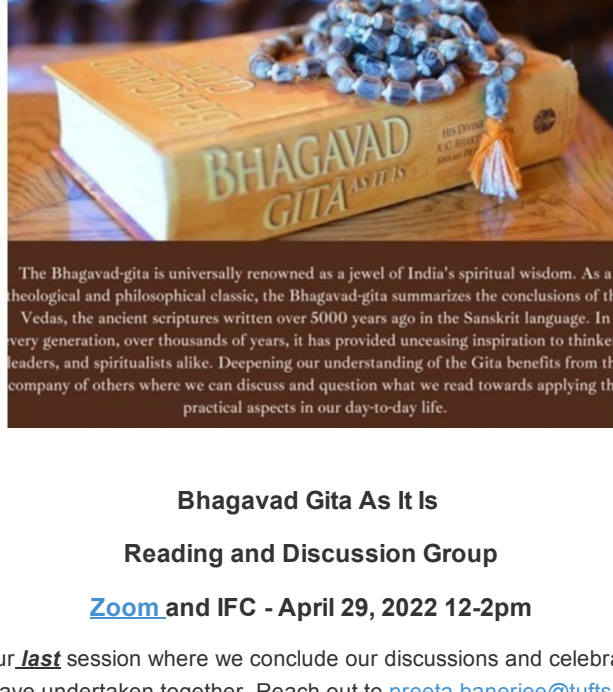
This week's spotlight is by HSC's President, Taarika Bala:

"The Madurai Meenakshi temple is known for its intricate carvings portraying different deities and stories from Hinduism. The temple is dedicated to Goddess Meenakshi, an incarnation of Goddess Parvati, and is said to be the sister of Lord Vishnu.

With 14 gopurams and 33,000 sculptures, an enormous effort went into building, and now goes into maintaining, the beautiful temple. Every twelve years, the temple is repainted with vibrant colors to allow the sculptures to stand out even more. Here is an interactive resource to get an amazingly close look at the detail in the intricate carving and painting of the sculptures, which is difficult to get even when you visit in person: <https://www.p4panorama.com/panos/madurai-meenakshi-temple-gigapixel-image/>"

Email hsc.tufts@gmail.com to be featured in our Fall newsletters!

Upcoming Programs & Gatherings



Bhagavad Gita As It Is

Reading and Discussion Group

Zoom and IFC - April 29, 2022 12-2pm

Join us for our **last** session where we conclude our discussions and celebrate the journey we have undertaken together. Reach out to preeta.banerjee@tufts.edu to RSVP for lunch provisions.

Inspiration

Last Saturday, April 16, 2022, was Hanuman Jayanti -- a Hindu festival during which devotees celebrate Lord Hanuman's birth. According to the Hindu calendar, this festival is held every year on the full moon in Chaitra. On this day and any day we want to invoke strength, intellect and knowing, here is the Hanuman Gayatri Mantra:

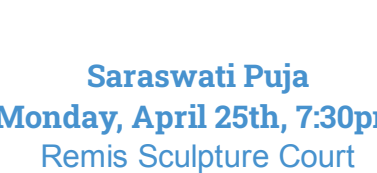
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om hñjaneyāya vidmahe
 vāyuputrāya dhīmahi
 tanno hanumat pracodayāt

Om, we pray to the son of Anjana and the son of the wind god Vayu, may Lord Hanuman lead our intellect towards intelligence and knowing.

Office Hours and Other Resources

Wednesday and Fridays 12:00 p.m. - 2 p.m., in person
 (room 104 at the Interfaith Center); Thursdays 2:00 p.m. - 5 p.m. ET, virtually
 Please email me: preeta.banerjee@tufts.edu to set up an appointment



Saraswati Puja Monday, April 25th, 7:30pm Remis Sculpture Court

Join HSC at this year's Saraswati Puja, led by our pujari, Ranjani Saigal! Our end-of-the-year puja dedicated to the Hindu Goddess of knowledge, Saraswati, is to celebrate our academic achievements and to pray for all our hard work to pay off during finals :).



University Chaplaincy Senior Awards Celebration Tuesday, April 26 7:30pm

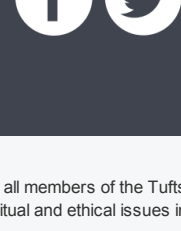
This year, the University Chaplaincy launches a new initiative to honor and uplift the wonderful contributions of our seniors across all of our religious and philosophical communities. Our Senior Awards will provide an opportunity for our community to nominate and celebrate our graduating seniors.

We encourage you to nominate a graduating student. You are welcome to submit more than one nomination, as well as nominate yourself. You can nominate a senior anonymously or share your name and email. Sharing your information ensures that you will be notified of the final awards decisions and Senior Award Celebration. All nominees will be honored at our gathering at the Interfaith Center on Tuesday, April 26, from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Please submit all nominations by noon on Friday, April 22 [here](#). Reach out to Elyse.Nelson_Winger@tufts.edu with any questions.

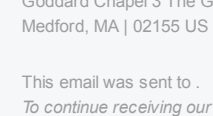
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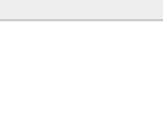
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