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ARUDRA DARSANAM

Wednesday, January 11, 2017

Arudra Darshan is a Tamil festival and this day is dedicated to Lord Shiva. Arudra Nakshatram, which is also known as Thiruvaathirai Nakshatram, during Dhanurmasa is considered highly auspicious. Arudra Darsanam is a festival dedicated to the cosmic dance of Lord Shiva (Shiva Tandavam), which is represented by the Nataraja Swamy form. Arudhra signifies the golden red flame and Shiva performs in the form this red-flamed light.

The cosmic dance of Lord Shiva represents five activities – Creation, Protection, Destruction, Embodiment and Release. In essence, it represents the continuous cycle of creation and destruction. This cosmic dance takes place in every particle and is the source of all energy. Arudra Darshan celebrates this ecstatic dance of Lord Shiva.

It takes place on the full moon night during Dhanurmasa and this is also the longest night in a year.



Arudra Darsanam Nataraja Abhishekam

05:00	AM	Subrabhatam
05:30	AM	Dhanurmasa Puja, Thiruppalliyezuchi
06:00	AM	Mahanyasa Parayanam
06:45	AM	Sri Nataraja Swamy Abhishekam, Thiruvempavai Puja

NOTE

07:00 PM Sri Nataraja Swamy Abhishekam is cancelled