

## SKANDA SASHTI 2015

## Celebrations at Austín Híndu Temple & Community Center

## **Program**

Thursday Nov 12<sup>th</sup> thru Tuesday Nov 17<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm (everyday): Abhishekam to Lord Subramanya & Skanda Sashti Kavacham

Tuesday Nov 17<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm: Soora Samharam

Sunday, Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>
10:30 am: Subramanya-Valli-Devasena
Kalyanam



The Skanda Sashti falling in on the waxing moon period in the Hindu lunar month of Aippasi or Aswin (October-November) is the day on which Lord Muruga or Skanda is believed to have killed a super-demon called Soora Padman. This is commemorated in the six-day festival of Skanda Sashti as a symbol of perpetual destruction of evil by God. Each of these six days is set apart to recite the glory of Lord Muruga from one of the six scriptures in His praise, namely: Tirumurukarruppadai, Kandar Kalivenba, Kandar Anubhuti, Kandar Alankaram, Skanda Sashti Kavacham and Skanda Puranam. Giant-sized images of four demons (asuras) are moved on uplifted chariots, and these are symbolically encountered and destroyed by the Lord. (from <a href="http://www.sanatan.org/en/festivals/hindu/ksv.htm">http://www.sanatan.org/en/festivals/hindu/ksv.htm</a>)

## **Sponsorship**

One day Abhishekam: \$51
All 7-day Abhishekam including Kalyanam on 22nd: \$116
One day Mala: \$101

For Garbhalaya, 1 brick: \$108; 10 bricks: \$1008

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