



Diwali Festival

2024 Wake Forest Diwali Festival
Saturday, Nov. 2
12:00 pm–3:00 pm
Joyner Park Amphitheater

WELCOME

Thank You to the Mayor and Town Leaders

LAMP LIGHTING

Join us for the ceremonial lighting of the Diwali lamp, symbolizing the victory of light over darkness and the spirit of Diwali

PERFORMANCES

Master of Ceremonies: Surya Chintalapudi and Madhavi Simhadri

Ganesh Vandana by Jeevitha

PERFORMER:
Jeevitha Kalyan (Disciple of Guru Dr. Kriti Rakesh from Aakriti Kathak Academy)

A Kathak dance performance celebrating Lord Ganesha, the remover of obstacles, through intricate footwork, graceful spins, and expressive storytelling.

Tiny Tots by VMudraa

PERFORMER:
VMudraa's Twirling Tots

A delightful folk fusion dance featuring boys and girls aged 4 to 6, full of charm and cuteness!

Bharatanatyam by Joshna Venkatesh

PERFORMER:
Joshna Venkatesh

Witness 9-year-old Joshna bring to life the grace and discipline of Bharatanatyam, with intricate movements, facial expressions, and gestures rooted in South Indian tradition.

Glitzzy Groovers by VMudraa

PERFORMER:
VMudraa's Glitzzy Groovers

Preteens from Wake Forest will energize the stage with a lively Indian folk dance to celebrate Diwali!

Sitar by Deepti Pappusetty and Team

PERFORMER:
Deepti Pappusetty and Team

Experience the enchanting sounds of the sitar, a classical Indian string instrument, with beautiful melodies and rhythms from India's rich musical heritage.

Bollywood/Tollywood by Sushma Kasula and Manasa Kasula

PERFORMERS:
Sushma Kasula and Manasa Kasula (sister act)

Enjoy a high-energy performance featuring hit songs from Bollywood and Tollywood cinema, bringing a festive flair to the celebration.

Kuchipudi by Sridevi

PERFORMER:
Sridevi

Experience the elegance of Kuchipudi, one of India's oldest classical dance traditions, with its fast rhythms and refined storytelling.

Klassy Kweenz by VMudraa

PERFORMER:
VMudraa's Klassy Kweenz

A stunning performance combining Ghoomar, a traditional Rajasthani dance, with modern semi-classical choreography to the energetic tune of Dindora Bhaje.

Sarpanch the Band

PERFORMERS:
Sarpanch

Headlining the evening, Sarpanch, a local rock quintet, blends various musical styles. This dynamic band will close the night with a fusion of rock and global influences. Follow them on Instagram: @thebandsarpanch

CLOSING REMARKS

Thank you for attending the 2024 Wake Forest Diwali Festival!