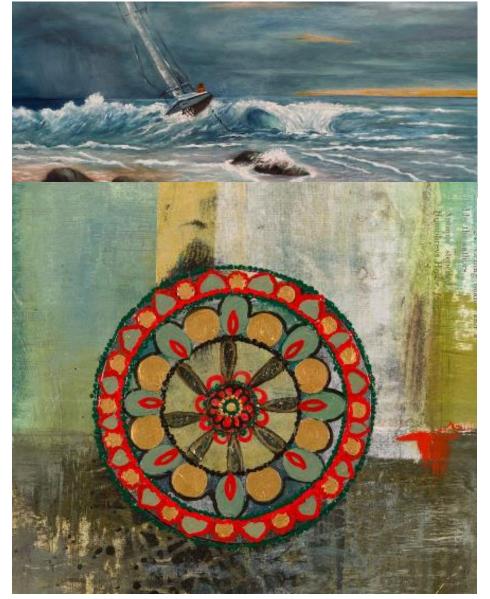
### Saara Arts: Celebrating Global Art and Cultures in the Lehigh Valley







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## Who are we?

Our Mission: Bringing global art styles and cultures to the Lehigh Valley

Key Initiatives: Festivals, workshops, children art competitions, art auctions

- ➤ India Heritage Day: 7th year celebration
- ➤ Annual Children Competition: 4th year
- ➤ Art Gala: 2nd year



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# Inception: India Heritage Day Festival (2018)





## Inaugural India Heritage Day Festival

Attendance: 700-800 attendees

Focus on giving a voice to local artists and educating visitors on the beauty of Indian arts

## Competitions and art events

## **Highlights of events post-India Heritage Day**

- > Emphasis on educational initiatives
- ➤ Annual Children Competition promoting global art topics
- ➤ Encouraging children to explore global topics through art
- > Art Workshops for adults
- ➤ Integration of workshops with local artists









## Health Care Contribution





Saara Art's commitment to bring the community together

Utilizing art therapy to increase positivity



Supporting mental well-being in the community

## Local Artist Spotlights

Showcase local artists involved in Saara Arts events

Visual representation of the diverse artistic expressions

Community testimonials











"The 2018 India Heritage Festival was an amazing event filled with beautiful colors, music, dance, food, and exotic culture. As a first time event in the Arts Park in Allentown, it was well attended and a huge success. As a resident I hope to attend again and again."

#### Sharon Smith

Allentown resident

"What a great event for Arts Park and for Downtown Allentown. With food, art, crafts, music, and live performances, IHD truly was a rich celebration of culture—of Indian culture, of course, and of the diverse arts and culture here in the greater Lehigh Valley. We were thrilled to welcome festivalgoers into the Museum to experience our exhibiit of Indian sculpture, Avatars of the Hindu Gods, and look forward to opening our doors to the Festival for years to come."

#### **Chris Potash**

Allentown Art Museum Program Director

## **Future Initiatives**

Plans to rent dedicated space to showcase multicultural arts

Varied workshops: cooking, painting, sculpting, dance, music

Excursions for kids to expand their cultural horizons



### 2024 Events

- ➤ Art workshop on Sat, March 23 at the Bethlehem Library
- ➤ Annual Children Competition: Sat, May 4
- ➤ Crochet Workshop: July 2024
- ➤ India Heritage Day: Sunday, September 15
- ➤ Art Workshop in Early December



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## **THANK YOU**



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- ⇒ 15% DISCOUNT ON ART WORKSHOPS AND ESHOP
- ⇒1 FREE ADMISSION TO THE ART GALA
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