

13th INTERNATIONAL CLASSICAL KIRTAN COMPETITION

Dedicated to sacrifices of Sahibzadas (sons) of Guru Gobind Singh ji

22th April 2018, Sunday

Sri Gurduara Jot Parkash Sahib
135 Sun Pac Blvd, Brampton, ON L6S 5Z6

Waheguru Ji Ka Khalsa, Waheguru Ji Ki Fateh

We are pleased to announce that we will be holding a special program to remember Sahib Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji's beloved four Sahibzadas (sons). Remembering their lives and sacrifices for the cause of humanity, we dedicate this day to inspire the present and future generations to learn and follow their deeds. This year's **13th International Classical Kirtan Competition (ICKC)** will also be dedicated to the supreme sacrifice of Guru Gobind Singh Ji and his family.

This program will take place on **22th April 2018, Sunday Sri Gurduara Jot Parkash Sahib** 135 Sun Pac Blvd, Brampton, ON L6S 5Z6 .

The program will start at 10.00 am and last throughout the day. The Sahibzadas' Remembrance Day features International Classical Kirtan Competition (**ICKC-2018**) between participants from various Gurudwaras /Organizations around the world. Registration form, list of events and set of rules & regulations are available on the website www.kirtancompetition.org

We will observe the day by highlighting the lives and sacrifices made by Baba Ajit Singh Ji, Baba Jujhar Singh Ji, Baba Zorawar Singh Ji and Baba Fateh Singh Ji. A brief history of their young lives follows:

Baba Ajit Singh Ji was the eldest son of Sahib Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji. He was born in Sri Anandpur Sahib. He had been expertly trained in the use of weapons, especially archery and swordsmanship. He fought alongside Guru Sahib Ji several times in battles. On the 22nd of December 1704, Baba Ajit Singh Ji requested his father to allow him to lead the jatha of five Sikhs on to the battlefield. It was here at Chamkaur where he fought for the last time. After having been surrounded by the enemy, Baba Ajit Singh Ji fell fighting to the ground but he fought very bravely till the end. He was only 18 years old.

The second son of Sahib Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji was Baba Jujhar Singh Ji. He was born in Sri Anandpur Sahib. He also was a very brave and skilled soldier who had fought alongside Guru Sahib Ji and elder brother in many battles. It was also on the 22nd of December 1704 that after seeing his elder brother fall on the battlefield he asked his father to allow him to fight up front. He led jatha of five Sikhs and bravely fought on the battlefield. While fighting he advanced into enemies lines and he fought until he was overpowered. He was only 14 years old.

Sahibzada Zorawar Singh ji & Sahibzada Fateh Singh ji were the two youngest sons of Sahib Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji. During the battle fought on the banks of river Sirsa, the two younger Sahibzadas with their grandmother Mata Gujri Ji were separated from Guru Sahib Ji. They went with their servant Gangu Brahmin to his hometown. There Gangu Brahmin thought that he would get himself a nice reward by handing over Guru Ji's mother and the younger Sahibzadas to the Muslim leader, Nawab Wazir Khan (Governor of Sirhind). The Nawab had them arrested and ordered that the children be brought before him. At that time there had been a law against the murder of children but Wazir Khan gave them an ultimatum, to convert to Islam or face death by execution. The brave Sahibzadas chose the latter and were executed by being bricked alive in city of Sirhind. Now there is Gurudwara Shri Fatehgarh Sahib in their memory. Baba Zorawar Singh Ji was 9 years old and Baba Fateh Singh Ji was 7 years old.

You are humbly requested to join us for this special event to honor and remember these brave young souls, who created an example of sacrifice nowhere to be found or matched in the history of mankind.

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