

Exeter Hindu Temple  
invites you to celebrate  
**navratri 2011**  
The whole evening is dedicated to dandiya and garba dancing

**Date:** Saturday 1st October 2011  
**Time:** 6:01pm-11:01pm  
**Venue:** Exwick Parish Hall, Station Road, Exwick, Exeter, EX4 2AA  
**Tickets:** £5.00 Per Person Under 12's free.

**Programme:**  
6:31— Navratri Puja  
7:01— Speech  
7:15— Dandiya & Garba dance  
9:15— Meals  
10:15— Raffles/Auctions  
10:30— More Music

Book your ticket's from [www.exeterhindutemple.co.uk](http://www.exeterhindutemple.co.uk) and pay on the door or buy from Exwick Food Mart, Exwick, EX4 2AA or Exwick Road Garage, Colyton, EX15 1DT  
\*Raffle tickets will be on sale! \*Please bring your dandiya sticks if you have!  
Exeter Hindu Temple  
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## Exeter Hindu Temple

Dear friends,  
Thank you for coming to our meeting on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2011.  
The evening was dedicated to Janmashtami, followed by our monthly prayers, food, raffle and a teaching of dandiya, which I'm sure everyone enjoyed.

We planned to celebrate Navratri on the 1<sup>st</sup> October 2011 at the Exwick Parish Hall.

Tickets are available @ £5.00 PP from the Exeter Hindu Temple Project and Trustees so please email or phone us to

book your tickets.  
**Spaces are limited, so get your tickets soon to avoid disappointment!**  
We also had a stall at the Heavitree Holiday Celebration selling food and other bits and pieces.  
It was very successful, enjoyable and we gained publicity. I was interviewed by BBC Television, Express & Echo and Heavitree Community Association.  
A special thanks to the volunteers, namely Saran Philpott, Pramod Shukla, Mohit Dalvi, Prithma Kumar, Raji Balasundaram and all of my family, that helped before, during and after the event to make it a success.

## North Devon Malayalee Association AGM

We had our annual meeting and ONAM celebration on 03-09-2011 (Saturday).  
We elected for our new executive committee.  
President.....Joshy Johny  
Vice President.....Reena Benoy  
Secretary.....Raji John  
Join Secretary.....Rinu mathew  
Treasurer.....Santhosh Kumar  
Uukma rep.....Sebastian



## Migrant Workers Task Group meeting on 13 September at Cardinal Newman House

We would like to invite representatives from your community group to come for the next Devon Migrant Worker Task Group on 13<sup>th</sup> September at 10:00 o'clock at Cardinal Newman House, Wonford Road, Exeter EX2 4PF in Exeter

The priority of the MWTG is to support migrant communities in Devon  
We would like to hear directly from you about your needs, issues, priorities and aims.

We have invited colleagues from:  
-The South West Forum for Migrant Workers - To talk about their business plan and what they see as our opportunity to support that.  
-NHS Devon - to pick up issues from the Migrant Workers Health Needs Assessment  
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# devon together newsletter



**Hikmat Devon** (meaning wisdom) is responsible for meeting some of the identified social care needs for the Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME) community across Devon. Hikmat first started with a drop-in session in 2005, and now has several activities through which needs are assessed and resources are delivered

We now have a Carers Health & Wellbeing Project, offering a free health check to BAME Carers. If you are a Carer & interested in a check please contact us at 01392 314753 or [jenny.sahara@googlemail.com](mailto:jenny.sahara@googlemail.com).

Some of our other activities include:  
Please see our website for more info: [www.hikmatdevon.co.uk](http://www.hikmatdevon.co.uk)

**Tuesdays@Hikmat Chinese Community**  
Every Tuesday @ St Sidwell's Centre  
Bible Study 10-11am  
Drop-in 11-2.30pm  
*Enjoy Physio, Chinese newspapers, refreshments and more.*

**Thursday's@Hikmat Ladies Group**  
Every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday @ St Sidwell's Centre  
12-2pm  
*Enjoy arts & crafts, refreshments, trips, Wii Fit, and more*  
Call Fakhira:  
07976876979

**Sahara Group Garden Group**  
A new group in Exeter. Come and join in with plant days, learn new skills, trips out, fortnightly vegetable & plant sales.  
Call Fakhira on  
07976876979



## Sunrise Organisation celebrated Eid on 30 and 31 August 2011

The Eid prayer took place at the castle Centre then the Eid party was held in Old Bus Station Cofe This event was run by Sunrise volunteers. There was a chance to experience food, music and dance from different cultures.

It was good opportunity to celebrate Eid with local community and friends. "In Sunrise we always dream 1World & Bringing people together! Its shows how successful we are when we see a lot of lovely people from all different background to join in our events. We are the perfect example to create a community where people can celebrate their religion & cultural activities together regardless of their faith, race, & sexuality. We are the perfect example for the diversity! We are here for the people, by the people Thanks all our lovely people to join us & made a fantastic evening!"

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The project is funded by Migration Impact Fund (MIF)

## The 'lets do it!' fund

Grants from the 'Lets Do It!' Fund can be used to pay for things which will help your group implement your development plan, that is, things your group have identified as vital to the growth of your organisation such as;

Capital - laptop, flip chart, website

Training - a course which you need to pay for or travel to

Revenue - paying volunteers travel expenses, paying for your broadband connection

Up to £300 per project for up to two projects per year. Grants are only available to migrant worker 'hubs'.

You will need to give us a brief report and your payments receipts at the end of the project

## The Stovern Group

We are an Association and in the same time musician group, created by very spontaneous people, who offer own time for Association and the aim of this group is to bring together Polish people who love music and Polish culture and they live in Devon.

The activities of our group is to cover musical and vocal part of entertainment during the Mass in the Chapel of Ilford Park Polish Home, to create friendly and similar to home atmosphere.

We also do the occasional patriotic performances. One of events that was The Polish Armed Forces Day with songs and reciting poems, has been performed in last year by The Stovern Group, this event was unforgettable for us and veterans from Ilford Park.

Second event was Day of Independence in a similar form and also in 2010. We did as well a concert of Polish carols at Christmas.

Generally, the Association wants to focus its activities in the culture of music, art, to promote our country in UK.

The activities of the members of The Stovern Group inspires other people including children to play together, sing or occurrence.

Therefore, the association plans in the autumn is to start cooperation with a group of children from the Polish parish.

These will be evenings of art, singing, recitations, and short scenes drama, performed by children and The Stovern Group.

The Stovern Group also plans to organize a Polish festival with real fire in his case to introduce themselves and bring people together, their activities and encourage others to cooperate and enjoy it.

More info: Robert Sieradzki, [nakamaro4@yahoo.com](mailto:nakamaro4@yahoo.com)



## Polish Film Festival this Summer

Once again the flagship project of the Polish Cultural Institute in London - [KINOTEKA Polish Film Festival](http://www.kinoteka.org.uk/) came to Exeter thanks to fruitful cooperation of Exeter Polish Culture Society, Exeter City Council, Polish National Tourist Office, Exeter.pl, Exeter Film Society, Exeter Phoenix and other local and nationwide institutions!

Lots of people joined us for the the screenings of the most interesting recent releases and discovered older pearls of Polish cinematography.

The whole event organized by EPCS comprised film screenings as well as thematic presentations and music evening. The aim was to present contemporary Polish films that are not available at multiplexes like Odeon or Vue.

Last year's edition proved that there is a demand for such activity not only among the Polish community but also among non-Polish members of public, many of them local and belonging to minority groups.

This year's edition involved screening of 7 movies - 2 movies were shown on the 20th March, 2 on the 27th, 2 on the 31st and 1 on 3rd of April.

We have started with a Polish Day organized on 20th March at Exeter Phoenix, during which film screenings were complemented by the stands with tourist and cultural information about Poland (organized thanks to materials provided by the Polish National Tourist Office), temporary stand at which it was possible to talk to Susan Young about her book about the incredible story of the war refugee, Helena, now living in Devon, but foremost by the day long stands with Polish food samples.

The day was completed with the music concert of Break Da Funk - funk and jazz fusion DJ duo from Warsaw. Throughout the day, Polish music was to be heard from speakers across the Phoenix Bar.

Preparations took place from 11AM, by 1PM stands, music and food were ready to be served and met up with great welcoming.

And comments left public attending screenings were mostly very positive and give us very good feedback. We hope to organise it next year

<http://www.polishfilmfestival.exeter.pl/>

