

Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore presents

Navratri

SEP 20 Saturday @ 7:30 pm
Artists
SurSe Group (India)

SEP 27 Saturday @ 7:30 pm
Artists
Bandish & Melody Group with Nidhi Sheth

Meadowbrook Athletic Complex
5001 Meadowbrook Lane
Ellicott City, MD 21043

7:30 pm to 11:30 pm

\$15 for Members | \$22 for Non-Members

You may not be able to purchase ticket at the event site. Please purchase your ticket(s) online using below options:



Visit our website's event page to purchase ticket(s)
gujaratisamajofbaltimore.com/Events

Note: On summary page, use may select 'Other' and 'Contribution=0' options to avoid extra charges.

GSB members are eligible for upto six (6) tickets only. TICKETS ARE NOT REFUNDABLE


We cannot guarantee availability of ticket(s) at the door.

OCT 04 Saturday @ 7:30 pm
Artists
Deeti & Krushanu Majmudar

OCT 11 Saturday @ 7:30 pm
Artists
Forum & Group

Meadowbrook Athletic Complex
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Ellicott City, MD 21043

7:30 pm to 11:30 pm



BOARD MEMBERS

Message

What a great year!! All Board members like to say 'Thank you' and great year ahead. Let's get ready for GARBA!!

Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore

We are delighted and very grateful for the enthusiastic support and cooperation we have received from our members and guests in the past year and for over **50 years of our proud existence in the Baltimore** area and all over the State of Maryland.

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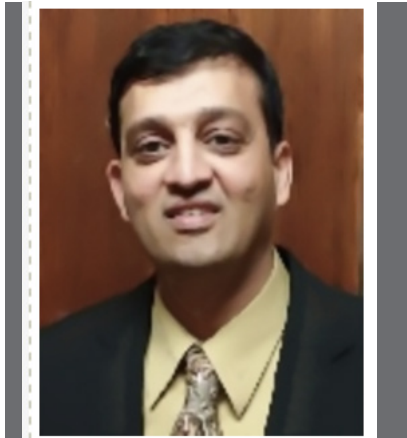
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2025 Event Calendar

Hello & Welcome

Message from the President

Bhavin Shah



Greetings from the Executive Committee and the Volunteers of the Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore,

It is my honor and privilege to serve as the President of the Samaj for the second year. I am humbled by the trust and confidence placed in me by the committee members and past presidents, and I am committed to finishing this year with the same success we have achieved together over the years.

This year holds special meaning, as it marked the 50th Anniversary of the Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore. We are truly delighted and grateful for the enthusiastic support and cooperation we have received from our members, guests, and the wider community across Baltimore and the State of Maryland.

A Look Back at Our Successful Year

We are proud to share a few highlights of this memorable year:

Snowtubing Event – a fun-filled outing for families and friends.

Drama Event – celebrating art and culture with our community.

The Grand 50th Year Celebration – the largest milestone event in our history, where we invited and honored all past presidents for their leadership and contributions in building the Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore.

A Superstar Singer from India – for the first time ever, we brought an international-level artist to perform, showcasing the rich talent of our culture.

None of these events would have been possible without the dedication of our committee members and volunteers, who work tirelessly to make every program successful and enjoyable.

Upcoming Events

We are excited to invite you to our upcoming programs:

Traditional Garba Nights at Meadowbrook Complex: Saturdays: September 20, September 27, October 4, and October 11, 2025. We are thrilled to announce record attendance at this year's Navratri Raas-Garba programs. Please book your tickets in advance to secure your spot. We truly appreciate the energy and enthusiasm of participants of all ages who make these nights so special.

Diwali Music Program & Dinner: Saturday, October 25, 2025 – at a new venue. Join us for an unforgettable evening of music by renowned local artists, followed by a delicious dinner catered by a popular New Jersey restaurant. Most importantly, this event is a chance to celebrate Diwali together with friends and family in a festive spirit. Tickets are available online at gsbaltimore.org.

General Body Meeting: Saturday, December 13, 2025. We invite all members to attend our General Body Meeting, where more details of the meeting and election process will be



Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore Election for year 2026-2027 Board of Trustees

Rules:

- Mr. Jayesh Jani will be appointed as a President for years 2026 and 2027 according to our bylaws. He will appoint 3 members to the Board of Trustees according to our bylaws.
- The nominating person and the nominee shall be the members of the Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore for the past year (2024) and the current year (2025).
- A member/family cannot nominate a person for more than one position.
- A member can nominate a person for more than one position. If a nominee is elected to more than one position, then the nominee shall select only one position. The other positions will be awarded to the remaining nominees receiving highest number of votes for those positions.
- A member can select nominees for one, more or all positions.
- Members cannot nominate themselves.
- Nomination forms should be mailed to the following address and received by October 31, 2025. Forms mailed to other addresses or hand delivered to any board member will not be accepted.
- Nominating Committee may recommend a slate of candidates for any positions for which no nominations are received.

Election (if necessary) will be held from **10:00 am to 12:00 PM on Sunday, December 13, 2025** at Greater Baltimore Temple, 2909 Bloom Rd, Finksburg, MD 21048. If there is an election, the names of candidates will be posted on our [website: gujaratisamajbaltimore.com](http://gujaratisamajbaltimore.com) after November 20, 2025. Members are required to vote in person at the election site. Proxy voting is not allowed.

There will be a General Body Meeting after the elections. Light refreshments will be served.

Jayesh Jani, acting as an Election Officer, will install the new Officers of the Association with the effective date of January 1, 2026.

Please mail the nomination forms to:

Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore
P. O. Box 687
Owings Mills, MD 21117

For additional information, please call any members of the Nominating Committee:
Raj Patel (410)-905-6159, Bhavin Shah (443)-320-3101 or Jayesh Jani (410)-215-2427

NOMINATION FORM FOR GUJARATI SAMAJ OF BALTIMORE, INC.
BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR YEARS 2026 & 2027

I Mr. / Mrs. / Ms.

The undersigned nominate the following persons for the representative positions indicated against their names.

<u>Name</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>NOMINEE SIGNATURE & PHONE NUMBERS</u>
1. _____	Vice President	_____
2. _____	Secretary	_____
3. _____	Joint Secretary	_____
4. _____	Treasurer	_____
5. _____	Joint Treasures	_____
6. _____	Auditor	_____

I declare that I am a current life member of the Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore, Inc. and have been a member for the past year. I shall willingly present my membership proof if required by the Nominating Committee.

Nominated by:	Seconded by:
Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
Phone: _____	Phone: _____
Signature: _____	Signature: _____
Date: _____	Date: _____
All fields must be completed.	All fields must be completed.

Nominees, by signing the form, acknowledges that they have read the bylaws of Gujarati Samaj, Inc. (available on GSB website) and, if elected, agree to uphold the bylaws, and serve to the best of their abilities to fulfill the duties of the position.

Qualifications for Election:

- A candidate for position on the Board of Trustees must be life member prior to the nomination.
- For the Vice-President, a candidate must have held a position on the Board of Trustees for at least one complete term to be eligible.
- Only one person from a member family shall be elected as a member of the Board of Trustees.
- The candidate must be a legal resident of Maryland.
- Any elected position candidate must have no prior history of criminal conviction.
- Nominating Committee reserves the right to reject any nominees that may have conflict of interest.

Nominees are requested to provide a short introduction of themselves to the members. Please complete a short questionnaire to provide a little background information such as:

- Nominee's Short-Bio to include and relevant experience and skills (either in private, public, or nonprofit sector).
- What can you offer to Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore to make it a better organization?

Please note: Incomplete nomination forms will not be accepted.

Mail completed form in sealed envelope to reach by Oct 31, 2023	Mail to: Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore P.O.Box 687 Owings Mills, MD 21117	For Election Committee use only Date Recd: Form Valid YES [] No [] Verified by (Name): _____ Verified by (Signature): _____
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We are looking for more volunteers, please let our committee members know if you are interested so they can guide you. Lastly, I want to extend my gratitude to all the active volunteers and thank all the sponsors who play a significant role in our success as an organization.

Please visit our website for updates and do provide your email address so we can keep you informed. You can also go to our website <https://gujaratisamajbaltimore.com> and subscribe to have your name added to our mailing list. For advertisements, please contact Raj Patel and for event sponsorship you may contact any one of the Board members or send us an email at contact@gsbaltimore.org.

Volunteers of 2025

Haresh Bhatt, Manisha Bhatt, Mitu Dalwadi, Suresh Dalwadi, Chandrakant (Kaka) Desai, Gaurang Desai, Vishnu Desai, Rita Jani, Mayer Lakhani, Chetna Mehta, Yogesh Mehta, Priti Parikh, Bhanu Patel, Dipak Patel, Gaurang Patel, Hemant Patel, Jagruti Patel, Jagdish Patel, Kanu Patel, Kumud Patel, Meena Patel, Rajeshwari Patel, Rekha Patel, Sudip Patel, Tarang Patel, Prakash Saraf, Binita Shah, Brij Shah, Irene Shah, Nishant Shah, Preeti Shah, Rupal Shah, Sonal Patel, Shital Shah, Viral Soni, Neha Talati, Nikhil Talati.

Web Updates and Desings:
Vakul More & Pritesh Shah

Board of Trustees Year 2025

Chairman

Raj Patel - 410.905.6159

President

Bhavin Shah - 443.320.3101

Vice-President

Jayesh Jani - 410.215.2427

Secretary

Pritesh Shah - 240.997.1940

Joint-Secretary

Ruchira Parikh - 443.996.7271

Treasurer

Romi Shah - 443.326.4387

Joint-Treasurer

Dhiren Shah - 410.979.2133

Auditor

Atul Patel - 410.833.2251

Members at large

Ashish Parikh - 443.677.5091

Kalpesh Patel - 443.520.5812

Gaurang Desai - 410.504.4675

Website: <https://gujaratisamajbaltimore.com>

Email: contact@gsbaltimore.org

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED
FORWARDING POSTAGE GUARANTEED

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