# Dastar Day to Unite the World's Sikh Communities



Over the years Sikh Channel has time and time again fought for the rights of the sangat through many campaigns, raising awareness of issues that matter to you. Now in its fourth year running D-Day is going from strength to strength helping to raise awareness of dastar issues to the wider communities.

By uniting Sikhs from all over the world, Sikh channel is hoping to ensure that the wider communities and Government officials understand and recognise the importance of the dastar for Sikhs. But it is also a reminder of the gift that was given to us by our Guru Ji's.

This year to mark the event, D-Day will be hosted in the beautiful town of Cremona, Italy. Katha Vacahaks, Kirtan Jathas and a number of personalities including Government officials and celebrities across the world, will be attending to celebrate the crown of the Sikhs once more. The event will be free and open to anyone from any community who wishes to participate.

For further details ring 0121 380 1050 or email info@sikhchannel.tv

### **Parkash Samagam Success**

Over 65,000 people attended this years Parkash 2014 samagam celebrated on the grounds of Guru Nanak Sikh Academy. The 3-day annual religious festival is one of the biggest of its kind in UK, hosting reknown kirtan jathas and kathavacahaks. The festival caters for people from all walks of life with the many stalls and activites organised including gatka displays, bouncy castles, football tournaments, face painting and sikhi camps. Sikh Channel's Dr Sadhu Singh, deemed the event a huge sucess: "A big thank you to Sikh Channel for providing excellent coverage of the Prakash 2014. It was enjoyed by millions all over the world."

#### Stay in Touch: Canada

Canada has been the home of many Sikhs since as early as 1897. The Sikh population has thrived and many of us around the world have ties to the maple syrup loving nation. This is why Sikh Channel now has allocated shows dedicated not only for those living in Canada but those who wish to stay connected.

Keep up with the latest going on in Canada:

Community Talk Mondays 9:00pm

Today and Tomorrow Tuesdays 7:30pm

Sadi Bhache Sadi Bhavik Wednesdays 7:30pm

> Sikhs in Canada Thursdays 7:30pm

Youth Show Fridays 8:30pm

Ajj De Muddhe Sundays 7:00pm

Current Affairs Sundays 8:00pm



#### **Sikhs in the Peaks**

**BE PART OF A WORLD RECORD** 



Breaking a world record seems like a task only meant for those skilled experts who have trained for many years in their chosen art. But now Sikh Channel is excited to announce that we have applied for a Guinness World Record, meaning anyone, including yourselves, can help make history in this once in a life time chance. Why not be a part of the 'Sikhs in the Peaks' challenge by climbing the highest mountain in Wales on 6th September.

The record in question is for 'the most people in a mountain ascent,' in which we need 972 participants to take part to break the current record. But this isn't just about breaking records. Ever since the birth of the Sikh faith, millions have contributed to society in the way of sewa. Now in the twenty-first century sewa comes in all shapes, ways and forms but ultimately our goals are the same. Do something truly inspirational and worthwhile whilst raising money for your favourite charity.

For more information or to simply register call Sikh Channel on 0121 380 1050.

#### **Support & Advertise**

In order to continue broadcasting and to improve the quality of our programmes, please support the Sikh Channel by setting up a direct debit. Just call the Sikh Channel studio on 0121 380 1050 and set one up via the telephone.

If you would like any information about booking programmes, scrolls or promos please can you mail Raman@ sikhchannel.tv. You can alternatively ring her on her direct dial on 0121 380 1051.

For advertising opportunities or sponsorship please contact Daljinder Singh on 0121 380 1060 or email him on daljinder.singh@sikhchannel.tv

## Sikhs in WW1: Tell your Story



One hundred years on, and we are all still connected to the First World War, in one way or another, through our own family history, heritage and community. Not only has it had a long-term impact on society back then, but it also still affects the world we live in today. The Sikh contribution in the war is one of bravery, courage and valour. Thousands of soldiers lost their lives and this year to mark their sheer audacity and bravery, we would like the sangat to tell their stories and show their artefacts on the channel. To get involved email manpreet.kaur@sikhchannel.tv

### Dastar Drawing Competition



Are you passionate about art? Do you think you have a creative flare? Then why not enter our new dastar drawing c o m p e t i t i o n.

Simply draw a person who wears a dastar and in no more then 150 words describe why you choose this particular person for the competition. You can pick anyone from historical figures to politicians, family members or famous personalities. Send all your entries on A4 paper to Sikh Channel, Unit 3, Aston, Birmingham, B6 4DY or you can email them to breakfast-show@sikhchannel.tv

Please send entries before 1st September

#### My Journey: Assam

The Sikhs living in Assam, a state in the eastern part of India, are the decendants of soldiers sent two centuries ago by the 19th century Sikh Emperor, Maharaja Ranjit Singh, to support the Ahom King, Chandrakanta Singha. In a special Sikh Channel documentary, Paramjot Kaur went into the very heart of Assam to investigate their lives. The documentary could not have been possible without the funding and support of our Sikh Channel sponsor, RGB Electricals (Ilford).



Name: Varinder Singh Dhesi Job Title: Editor

Varinder Singh "Vinnie" is an experienced media person from Leeds. After graduating with a BA Hons degree in Film and Moving Image, he spent many years perfecting his skills. With four years of experience working in the industry, he then decided to utilise his expertise for the needs of the Sikh Channel.

From editing faith based shows, to promotional videos and current affairs, the editor from Leeds has really proved he is an asset to the channel.

Vinnie also takes part in the channel's flagship show, the Breakfast Show, rounding up on all the lastest sports headline news every Friday.

"The Channel has brought me closer to my faith and given me an understanding of Sikhi I did not have before. I have learned so much from joining the channel and have also had the privilege of meeting some amazing people.

Sikh Channel is doing a great service to the community and many would be lost without it. It's a great honour to be part of something so worth while."

#### **Brand New Shows!**

Shaheed Udham Singh documentary - we followed the story of the great shaheed, travelling to central London, in order to detail the events that led to his sacrifice.

Airing: Thursday 31st July - if you missed the broadcast be sure to catch the repeat soon.

Kaurs Corner – a programme featuring five strong females, tackling women's issues head on.

Coming Soon

Exclusive: Giani Kulwant Singh Ji's Katha Everyday 9:00am and 10.10pm