



Yasodhara Ashram
YOGA RETREAT & STUDY CENTRE



Yasodhara Ashram celebrates grand opening of new Temple of Light *55 year old yoga retreat and study centre rebuilds Temple following 2014 fire*

June 6, 2018, Kootenay Bay, B.C. Yasodhara Ashram Yoga Retreat and Study Centre is thrilled to announce the official grand opening of their new Temple of Light on Saturday, June 23, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

“We are excited to celebrate the official opening of our new Temple of Light which recognizes the light in all spiritual traditions and the divine spark in each person,” says **Swami Lalitananda, Yasodhara Ashram president**. “This is also a wonderful opportunity to thank our community and supporters for their contribution in the return of this special symbol of peace, hope and unity for all.”

On Saturday, June 23, 2018, visitors are invited to attend the Temple Of Light grand opening and Strawberry Social, explore the Ashram and enjoy delicious Creston strawberries in a warm community gathering. Activities include:

- 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. Temple tours
Strawberry Social – strawberry shortcake and cream
Children’s zone with activities
Annual book sale (proceeds from the book sale will be donated to the Crawford Bay School Hot Lunch Program)
- 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. Ribbon cutting ceremonies at the Temple
Remarks: Swami Lalitananda, President, Yasodhara Ashram
Wayne Stetski, MP, Kootenay—Columbia
Garry Jackman, Director, Regional District of Central Kootenay, Area A
Gina Medhurst, President, Kootenay Lake Chamber of Commerce

Slava Doval’s youth DanceFusion performance

Completed in the fall of 2017, the Temple of Light was reconstructed after a fire in June 2014 destroyed the original Temple. It was prefabricated by Spearhead of Nelson and designed by award-winning Patkau Architects of Vancouver. For a historical timeline of the Temple, please visit <http://www.yasodhara.org/temple-historical-timeline/>



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About Yasodhara Ashram Yoga Retreat and Study Centre (<http://www.yasodhara.org/>)

Founded by [Swami Sivananda Radha](#) in 1963, in Kootenay Bay, British Columbia, Canada, Yasodhara Ashram is one of the first ashrams established in Canada. Set in the beautiful mountains of southeastern British Columbia, the yoga retreat and study centre is an enduring and vibrant spiritual community where people of all ages and backgrounds can pursue self-development and discover the promise of yoga.

Yasodhara Ashram offers a wide range of yoga programs year round – from [three-month intensive](#) program, to private [retreats](#), [teacher certifications](#) and introductions to yoga. Yasodhara Ashram is also a residential community where we practice living what we teach.

To view a special video celebrating 2018 as the Ashram's Year of Invitation, please visit yasodhara.org

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