Meet the Team

This is our wonderful team

Chairman



AMBARISA DAS

Chairman

Ambarisa das was initiated by Srila Prabhupada in 1974 in Hawaii. He is the great grandson of Henry Ford, and has been involved in numerous ISKCON projects around the world including the *Bhaktivedanta Cultural Center* in Detroit, the *Oxford Center for Hindu Studies* at Oxford University, and *Srila Prabhupada's Pushpa Samadhi* in Sridham Mayapur.

Ambarisa das sits on the board of several businesses, charitable institutions and Foundations, including the *Ford Motor Company Fund*. He has received awards from around the world for his charitable works and support of Vedic culture. In 1976, Srila Prabhupada personally requested that Ambarisa prabhu help finance the construction of the Temple of Vedic Planetarium.

Vice Chairman



PRAGOSH DAS

Vice Chairman

Praghosa Dasa, a native of Dublin, Ireland, joined the ISKCON Soho Street temple in London in 1983. A year later he relocated to Dublin and took initiation from Satsvarupa Dasa Goswami. He spent the early part of his devotional career distributing Srila Prabhupada's books, raising funds and managing temples in Belfast, the island of Inis Rath, and a rural community in Wicklow, Ireland. Concurrently he and his wife, Goloka Devi Dasi, raised two sons, Sankarsana and Pancajanya. As things now stand, Praghosa Dasa and Goloka Devi Dasi direct three Govinda's Restaurants and a preaching centre in Dublin and still care for their two grown sons.

An active contributor to ISKCON's web site Dandavats.com and the driving force behind it, Praghosa Dasa is also a GBC member. He began in 1997 as a deputy GBC member, but his ability to rise to a challenge, his quick thinking, his creativity and good sense of humor were all noted by the GBC body, and he became a full GBC member in 2001. His areas of responsibility cover some of the world's colder climates: the Channel Islands, Denmark, England, the Faroe Islands, Iceland, Ireland, Northern Ireland, Norway, Scotland, Sweden and Wales. Additionally, Praghosa Dasa assists as co-zonal secretary for ISKCON's headquarters in Mayapur, West Bengal, India.

Praghosa Dasa is currently serving as chair of the GBC team building group. He also sits on the GBC Appointments, Finance, and BBT/GBC Liaison committees. For three consecutive years, 2002, 2003, and 2004, Praghosa handled decision-making as an executive officer in the executive committee of the GBC body. For that entire period, he also chaired the annual GBC meetings. Indeed Praghosa was the first grand disciple of Srila Prabhupada to be chairman of the GBC body. His solid commitment to serving ISKCON in a significant way is further highlighted by his participation in the European Regional Governing Body (RGB) from its inception in 1997 and by his ongoing managerial responsibilities in ISKCON Dublin.

Directors



BHAVANANDA DAS

Creative Director

Bhavananda Prabhu joined ISKCON in January, 1969 in Los Angeles and was sent to Mayapur by Prabhupada in 1971. Working as co-director under Srila Prabhupada, he was involved in the early development of Sri Mayapur Chandrodaya Mandir. He is now the creative director of the Temple of the Vedic Planetarium, working closely with Ambarish Prabhu and Sadbhuja Prabhu.



SADBHUJA DAS

Managing Director

Sadbhuja Das joined ISKCON in Melbourne in 1980. He served as a manager in Melbourne until 1989 then moved to Mayapur and undertook the completion of Srila Prabhupada's Pushpa Samadhi as the Project Coordinator. For 18 years he has been part of the Mayapur Project and is now heading up this massive operation as the Project Managing Director of the Temple of the Vedic Planetarium.



JAYAPATAKA SWAMI

Planetarium Director

His Holiness Jayapataka Swami is a direct disciple of Srila Prabhupada, and an ISKCON Guru and Governing Body member. He received the renounced order of Sannyasa in 1970, and since then he has dedicated his life to spreading the teachings of Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu all over the world.

Construction Organizer & Manager



PREMAVATAR GAURANGA DAS

Construction Manager

Fundraising Directors



RADHA JIVAN DAS

Global Campaign Director

Radha Jivan Das is International Director of Fundraising for the Temple of the Vedic Planetarium. The Temple of the Vedic Planetarium (TOVP) is not another preaching center, but is actually Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu's home.



BRAJA VILAS DAS

Director of Development

Senior Managers



RADHANA RUPA DD

Finance & Accounts



VILASINI DEVI DASI

Head Architect

Vilasini devi dasi (Architect Varsha Sharma) has completed her Master of Architecture degree from the University of Arizona, with her Masters Thesis based on the Mayapur Temple. She serves the TOVP in the capacity of the Head Architect under the guidance of Sadbhuja and Bhavananda Prabhus.



SACITANUJA DAS

Execution Coordinator



HARI SAURI DAS

Exhibits Coordinator

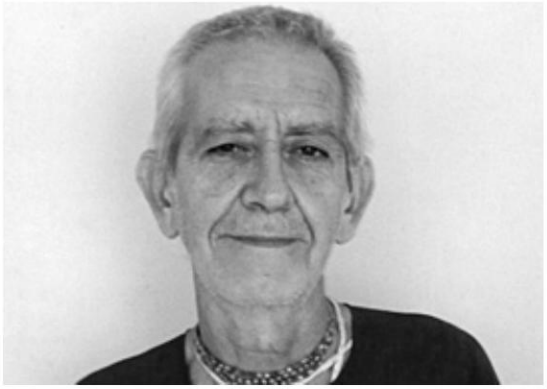
Hari Sauri was born in England on November 17th 1950. In May 1971, he emigrated to Australia where, on the second day of his arrival, he met the members of the newly emerging Krishna Consciousness movement. He was duly accepted as an initiated disciple by His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada on April 9th, 1972 in Sydney.

Project Managers

Parvata Muni das

PARVATA MUNI DAS

Research & Development



BHASKARA DAS

Art & Design

Giri Govardhan das

GIRI GOVARDHAN DAS

Procurement Officer



KRISHNA KUMAR DAS

Electrical Works



ANTARDWIP DAS

Vedic Cosmology



SRIDHAM DAS

Planetarium



GUNA BHADRA GAURA DAS

Process of Planning & Cost Engineering

THE REST OF THE TEAM

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Avijit Mondal - (Civil) Engineer
Sudip Das - Civil Engineer
Saroj Kumar Saha - (Civil) Engineer
Amit Sarkar - (Civil) Engineer
Bh. Santi Roy - Office assistant engineering
Brahma Samhita Das
Ritwik Chakraboty - (Civil) Engineer
Dhreete Bhattacharya - (Civil) Engineer
Rajendra Gauranga Das
Sri Radha Vallabha Das - interior designer
Sudhakar das

ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN DEPARTMENT, PUNE

Vilasini dd (Varsha Sharma) - Architectural Co-ordinator, TOVP
(M. Arch, The University of Arizona, Tucson)
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(B.Arch, MMCA, Pune)
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