

MANALI

A BRIEF HISTORY

Manali is located at an altitude of about 6500 ft. above mean sea level and is one of the main tourist towns of Kullu valley. It is a place inhabited by innocent village folks who continue with their traditional rites and rituals in spite of the sweeping waves of modernization. To the modern day visitors, Manali conjures up images of evergreen pine groves, snow capped mountains, whispering forests, cascading water falls and the swift flowing waters of perennial Beas.

According to there Puranas there existed seven Manus and the first of them being Swayambhuva was self- born. Six others who followed the foremost Adi Manu were known as: Svarocica, Auttmi, Tamasa, Raivata, Caksusa and Vaivasvata. The creation of the world is attributed to the Adi Manu who after having created all moving and stationery beings, ruled over them; likewise each of the succeeding Manus held sway over their respective eras. It is popularly believed that in order to overcome the Pralaya, Vaivasvata Manu accompanied by the Sapta Rishis set sail in a boat. Guided by the divine light, they landed on the sacred soil of the Himalayas. This place is believed to be Manali, hence the name which is a distortion of Manualaya, the home of Manu. Rightfully therefore the one and only standing temple dedicated to Vaivasvata Manu is at Manali.

The original Manali is a big village situated across the Manalsu river, a major tributary of Beas. It is about 2 Km. from to-days bustling Manali. About five decades ago this Manali was an insignificant hamlet comprising a cluster of few shops, houses, a Civil Rest House, a two room Primary School, the Mission Hospital and the mansard roofed Jungli Kothi, now known as Govt. Circuit House. Pandit Nehru, the first Prime Minister of India used to stay in this building during his visits to Manali. Panditji's sojourns in Manali were instrumental in attracting tourists and nature loving people of the world to this nature's paradise.

Manali is an epitome of what nature can offer to mankind. It has every thing to offer to its visitors in commensurate with their tastes, temperaments and needs. It is a trekker's paradise; here in the presence of pristine nature honeymooners experience an unparalleled bonding with each other; the unspoilt environment and the salubrious weather suits each and every one.

There are a number of soul-stirring Holy Places in and around Manali; Hadimba Temple, Manu Temple at old Manali, Vashishtha Rishi Temple, Shiv Temple, Tibetan Monasteries and a Gurudwara in Manali, are just a few of the places that calm the unquiet spirit.

The sulphur hot water springs at Vashishat and Kalath are endowed with great healing powers. Tourists visiting Manali can hike, trek and drive to the famous 13500 ft. Rohtang Pass which remains covered with Snow even during summers. Another tourist attraction and picnic point, situated amidst billowing meadows encircled by silver oak and spruce trees, is Solang Nallah. It is famous for its skiing slopes and offers opportunity for horse riding, paragliding and joy rides on snow scooters. During the Carnival this place will be the centre for winter sports competition which will showcase the talents of skiers who have done India proud in many international events.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

This competition is open to all groups, schools, colleges and youth clubs/org. of India.

1. **AGE LIMIT:** The maximum age for participation is 35 years and the minimum is 16 years.
2. **ENTRY FEE:**
 - a) Team Rs. 1000/-
 - b) Individual entry of Rs. 300/- will be charged for non competitive guest items.
3. **HOW TO APPLY:**
 - a) The prospectus can be obtained from the organizers on payment of Rs.300/- by cash or Rs. 350/- by post.
 - b) The form be filled up thereafter and it be mailed alongwith entry fee so as to reach the organizers on or before 20th January, 2010.
4. **PAYMENTS :**

All payments are to be made in the form of demand draft payable at Manali in favour of :

 - i) **Sub Divisional Magistrate-Cum-Chairman State Level Winter Carnival Committee** Manali, Distt. Kullu (H.P.) Ph.: 01902-254100 (O) 254200 (R) Tel/fax: 01902-254100 Cell: 094180-81672.
 - ii) **Executive Officer: Municipal Council Manali - Cum-Secretary State Level Winter Carnival Committee** Manali, Distt. Kullu (H.P.) Ph. : 01902-252351, 252363(O) Tel /fax: 01902-252351 Cell: 094180-49611.
5. **COMPULSORY PARTICIPATION:**
 - a) Each team is required to participate in a minimum of eight events.
 - b) Participation in folk dance and Jhankee is compulsory for all teams.
 - c) In addition the participating teams will have to choose a minimum of six other events from those listed in the prospectus
6. **LAST DATE:**

The last date for receiving entry forms in Manali is 20th January, 2010. The entry should be sent to the under signed on the above addresses.

Right to accept/reject entry lies with the Chairman of the Winter Carnival Organising Committee.

INQUIRY: For any further information regarding cultural events of the Carnival you may contact **Convener Cultural Programme Committee Mr. Mahesh Chander (09816610808, 098160-82959)**

Website : www.manaliwintercarnival.com

E-mail : info@manaliwintercarnival.com

MEAL TIMINGS

S.NO.	PARTICULARS	TIMINGS	VENUE
1.	BREAKFAST	8 A.M. TO 10 A.M.	CENTRAL MESS
2.	LUNCH	12 NOON TO 2 P.M.	CENTRAL MESS
3.	DINNER	7 P.M. TO 9 P.M.	CENTRAL MESS

**NOTE: ONLY VEGETARIAN MEALS WILL BE SERVED.
NO MEALS WILL BE SERVED IN THE HOTEL ROOMS.**

ACCOMMODATION

1. It is the earnest desire of the organizers to provide the best possible accommodation.
2. Accommodation has been arranged in all good Hotels , Guest Houses, Rest Houses of Manali. Each team will be lodged in one Hotel, Guest House, Rest House. Rooms will have to be shared by participants.
3. The team incharges will be given separate rooms.
4. Participants should take extra care of the rooms allotted to them and keep them neat and clean. Consuming alcohol is strictly prohibited through-out the function. Team leaders should ensure that these instructions are followed strictly.
5. Accommodation once allotted shall neither be changed nor exchanged under any circumstances. The decision of the organizers, in this regard, will be final and binding.
6. Participants should bring their own beddings and blankets. Manali is very cold during this period, particularly the nights, hence proper clothing is advised.
7. Teams reporting at Manali should immediately contact our central control room in the District Tourism Development Office, near Ram Bagh The Mall Manali for allotment of hotel rooms. The following incharges of the central control room can be called for assistance, on the numbers mentioned against their names: Sh. Gajender Thakur M.No. 94187-00094, Sh. Vijay Thakur M.No. 94180-53598, Sh. Raghunath Sood M.No. 98160-78400.
8. All participating teams must intimate their time of arrival at Manali in advance to facilitate their proper reception and movement to their allotted hotel rooms.

GUIDELINES

1. All participating teams must report on 6th February 2010 fore noon. Arrangements for lodging & boarding will be provided, by the organizers, from 6th February 2010 onwards. All the participating teams are requested to come at least a day before the carnival starts so as to get acclimatized to the cold weather and be acquainted with the arrangements. Mess will start functioning only from the lunch of 6th February 2010. Lodging will be provided till 12 noon of 12th February 2010. No meals other than breakfast will be served on 12th February 2010.
2. All travelling expenses have to be borne by the participants. However, if required, organizers may help in arranging conveyance from Delhi to Manali and back if request for same is made in advance.
3. There are regular buses plying from New Delhi to Manali that are run by the Himachal Pradesh Transport Corporation and the Himachal Tourism. The buses of Himachal Road Transport start from inter state bus terminus and the buses of Himachal Tourism start from Himachal Tourism office at Janpath, Connaught Place, New Delhi. The bus journey takes approx. 15 hours. Manali is approx. 570 km. from Delhi. Teams can also get buses from Chandigarh and Pathankot. Private Luxury

Coaches are also available. Flights to Kullu are also operated by several private companies from Delhi airport on regular basis.

- 4 All teams should bring only genuine participants. Non-participants will be charged Rs.300/- per head per day.
- 5 All teams must be accompanied by an incharge who will be responsible for the conduct of the team.
- 6 Female participants will be provided separate rooms in the same hotel allotted to their teams.
- 7 Teams must maintain strict discipline. No alcoholic drinks will be allowed to be consumed during the Carnival. Teams found misbehaving are liable to be expelled and sent back.
- 8 Heavy woolen clothing must be brought. Each participant must have his own bedding which should necessarily include a heavy woolen blanket. The night temperature in Manali, during this period, dips to as low as -4 degree c.
- 9 The organisers can in no way be held responsible for any mishap or accident that occurs before/during or after the carnival.
- 10 The organisers have requisitioned the services of a competent doctor who will provide all the medicines of everyday use. However any special medicine required by the individual participant must be brought by the concerned participant and should be taken on doctor's advice only.
- 11 All participants must report at the back stage at least an hour before their scheduled programme is to start.
- 12 All musical instruments, dresses, props etc. required by the participants have to be arranged/brought by the teams themselves The items so brought must be looked after by the teams and the organisers will in no way be responsible for the loss or theft of these items. One stage would be ear marked for the participating teams for performance of guest items on the Mall Road. The three best guest items shall be awarded.
- 13 Each participating team will be limited to a maximum of 22 members including accompanists and team leaders.
(20 Participants; One Male and One Female Group Incharge.)
- 14 The decision of the judges will be final and binding on all participants.
- 15 EACH PARTICIPANT MUST CARRY ALONG WITH HIM TWO PASSPORT SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS FOR THE ISSUE OF IDENTITY CARD, NO PARTICIPANT WITHOUT IDENTITY CARD WILL BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE.
- 16 VULGARITY OF ANY KIND IN THE EVENTS SHALL NOT BE TOLERATED.
- 17 All participants must bring the following :-
 - a. HEAVY WOOLEN BLANKETS (F) MONKEY CAP
 - b. PAD LOCK (G) SWEATER {2 NOS.}
 - c. PAIR OF GLOVES (H) COLD CREAM
 - d. WOOLEN SOCKS (I) GOGGLES
 - e. TORCH (J) HUNTER/SPORTS SHOES/
GUMBOOTS ETC.

TIMINGS : All events will take place between 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on all days of the Festival. After 5:00 p.m. onwards the mega final rounds of “**VOICE OF HIMALAYAS**”, All Himachal Singing Competition will be conducted and other cultural programmes shall be

arranged by the winter carnival committee for the wholesome entertainment of the tourists as well as the locals. In addition to the events on the stage various other activities too have been planned. The whole of Manali, during the days of festival, will put on a joyous appearance. The area along the Mall from the main square to hotel Ibex, will be steeped in Carnival atmosphere. A number of musical bands and artists, stationed along the route, will keep up with their performances for the merriment of gathered public. A number of food stalls, exhibiting the rich cuisine of the state too will be on display. This will provide an opportunity to the visitors to taste the culinary specialties of Himachal. Food connoisseurs present on the occasion will rank the dishes prepared by the Chefs according to their gastronomical skills. Some other thrilling activities like Bungee Jumping will also be organized, close to Chandertal Restaurant, to inject an element of excitement to the overall atmosphere. The thrilling items like Tambola, Adventure Sports would also be organised on the Mall Road Manali.

Note :-

1. Performance of sub standard items would invite disqualification of the teams.
2. All teams should submit the lists of their participants including the names of the team leaders with their passport size photographs and the names of the events in which they are participating.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. CARNIVAL PROCESSION (Cultural Procession)

Compulsory

All the teams have to compulsorily take part in the Carnival procession. Marks in Carnival procession will be given on the basis of traditional dresses/costumes, themes, spectacle etc. However keeping in view of the low temperature in Manali during the Carnival, the participants are allowed to wear white fleets with socks at their own cost.

SPECIAL ATTRACTION

Cash prizes of Rs. 10000/- 5000/- & 3000/- respectively will be given to 1st, 2nd & 3rd position winners of Carnival procession. (Cultural Procession)

Separate Prizes will also be given to the Mahila & Yuvak Mandals. Rs.1500 will be given to each such participating team. Rs 5000/-, 4000/- & 3000/- respectively will also be given to the Winners of 1st, 2nd & 3rd prizes from among the Mahila & Yuvak Mandals.

2. FOLK DANCE COMPETITION (Compulsory)

1. The dance must be an Indian folk dance. Ballets are not allowed.
2. The maximum time limit allotted for each folk dance is 15 minutes. The minimum time limit is 9 minutes. Marks may be deducted in case less or more time is taken by the teams. In some cases such violation may even attract disqualification.
3. There may be a minimum of 10 dancers & a maximum of 12 dancers on the stage for the folk dance.
4. The dance will be judged on the following basis.

1. Coordination	25 Marks
2. Composition	25 Marks
3. Costumes	20 Marks
4. Music (Vocal & Instrumental)	15 Marks
5. Overall Effect	<u>15 Marks</u>
Total	100 Marks
5. All teams must report at the venue at least 1 hour before the commencement of the show.
6. The maximum number of accompanists allowed is 8 [Eight].

3. WINTER QUEEN CONTEST

1. The contest is open to un-married ladies only. Each team may send at the most three participants. Winners and runners up of the previous years cannot take part in this competition.
2. The minimum height of the contestant should be 5 feet 2 inches, between the age group of 18 to 22 years
3. Only selected participants will go through the FINALS, after qualifying the screening test.

4. A compulsory GROOMING SESSION will have to be attended by all participants before the FINALS.

5. Every presentation should be according to the National respect.

6. The decision of the judges will be final and binding

7. Organizing committee reserves the right to cancel or reschedule any of the rounds according to the circumstances without any prior notice.

8. The competition will be judged on the following basis.

(a) Beauty (b) I.Q. /G.K. (c) Overall Personality (d) Dress sense (e) Audience Poll (optional)

9. Some of the rounds for contest.

PRELIMINARY ROUND

(a) Introduction / Audition / Screening test

FINAL ROUND (THE MAIN STAGE)

(a) Costume Presentation Round (b) Traditional Dress Round (c) Western Round (d) the Talent Round (e) Audience Poll Round (optional)

10. The following cash prizes will be given to the winner of this contest.

- WINTER QUEEN MANALI (The Title Award)... Rs. 20000/- + Silver Tiara & Gift hampers.
- 1st RUNNER UP...Rs. 10000/- + Silver Tiara & Gift hampers
- 2nd RUNNER UP...Rs. 5000/- + Silver Tiara & Gift hampers

NOTE:-

i) Submission of filled in BIO-DATA form compulsory for all participants. (Last page of this prospectus)

ii) Solo entries can also be taken for this contest

iii) Entry fee for Solo entries Rs. 1000/- only (including lodging & boarding)

iv) Last date for the submission of Solo entries – **5th February 2010 (Call for more details:- Convener Cultural Programme Committee MAHESH CHANDER 09816610808 / 09816082959)**

4. PERSONALITY CONTEST (MEN)

1. The contest is open to un-married males only. Each team may send at the most two participants. Winners and runners up of the previous years cannot take part in this competition.
2. The minimum height of the contestant should be 5 feet 7 inches, between the age group of 18 to 22 years
3. Only selected participants will go through the FINALS, after qualifying the screening test.
4. A compulsory GROOMING SESSION will have to be attended by all participants before the FINALS.
5. Every presentation should be according to the National respect.
6. The decision of the judges will be final and binding
7. Organizing committee reserves the right to cancel or reschedule any of the rounds according to the circumstances without any prior notice.
8. The competition will be judged on the following basis.
(a) Grace (b) I.Q. /G.K. (c) Overall Personality (d) Dress sense (e) Audience Poll (optional)

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5. FILM DANCE CONTEST (Group)

1. Each team will send only one entry.
2. The number of participants should be between 6 and 10.
3. Each team will be given 7 minutes.
4. Recorded music or orchestra is allowed.
5. Only Hindi film songs are allowed.

6. FASHION SHOW CONTEST

1. Only one entry per team is allowed.
2. Maximum time limit: 10 minutes.
3. No background music will be provided by the organizers. Recorded Cassettes have to be arranged by the teams.
4. No make up man will be provided by the organizers.
5. Marks will be given on the basis of creativity, dress sense and presentation etc.

7. GROUP SONG

1. Each team can send only one entry.
2. Musicians should be members of the respective team.
3. Film songs are not allowed.
4. Time limit: 5 to 8 minutes.

8. CLASSICAL DANCE GROUP

1. Each team can send only one entry.
2. Participants : Minimum 2 & Maximum 4.
3. Recorded music Permitted.
4. Accompanists: Maximum 5
5. Maximum time limit 7 minutes.

9. COMEDY SHOW (Individual or Group)

1. Each team can send only one entry.
2. Time limit: 6 to 10 minutes.
3. Participants : Maximum 6.
4. Background music Permitted.

10. FANCY DRESS

1. Each team can send only 2 entries.
2. Time limit: Maximum 2 minutes.

11. WESTERN DANCE (Individual or Group)

1. Each team can send only one entry.
2. Participants: minimum 1 and maximum 8 members.
3. Time limit: Maximum 7 minutes.
4. Recorded music is allowed.

12. STREET PLAY (NUKKAD NATAK)

1. Each team can send only one entry.
2. Number of Participants: not more than twelve.
3. Time limit: maximum 25 minutes.
4. Street play should be theme based with no vulgarity of any kind.
5. Street play should be performed in Hindi language only.

NOTE : Entries will be accepted on First Come and First Serve basis.

TROPHY FOR BEST BEHAVIOUR/ DISCIPLINE

A special prize will be given to the most disciplined team on the basis of their over all conduct during the Carnival at the sole discretion of the organizers.

OVERALL TROPHY

The overall trophy will be presented to the team which gets the highest aggregate of marks in all events. In case of a tie, the winner will be decided by toss.

POINTS TALLY

S.No.	EVENT	1 ST	2 ND	3 RD	PARTICIPATION
1.	JHANKEE/ CULTURAL PROCESSION	12	10	8	2
2.	FOLK DANCE COMPETITION	12	10	8	2
3.	WINTER QUEEN CONTEST	8	6	4	1
4.	PERSONALITY CONTEST (Men)	8	6	4	1
5.	FILM DANCE CONTEST GROUP	8	6	4	1
6.	FASHION SHOW CONTEST	10	8	6	2
7.	GROUP SONG	8	6	4	1
8.	COMEDY SHOW	8	6	4	1
9.	FANCY DRESS	8	6	4	1
10.	CLASSICAL DANCE	10	8	6	2
11.	WESTERN DANCE	8	6	4	1
12.	STREET PLAY	8	6	4	1

CHRONOLOGY OF PAST WINNERS

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>OVERALL TROPHY WINNERS</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
1998	Vipasha Yuvak Sangathan	Katrain
1999	Kirti Kala Mandir	Nasik
2000	Muktsar Kala Manch	Muktsar
2001	Muktsar Kala Manch	Muktsar
2002	St. Gregorios	Mumbai
2003	Sarhad-E-Punjab	Tarantaran (Pb.)
2004	Govt. Degree College	Kullu
2005	S.N. Kansangra	Rajkot (Gujrat)
2006	Govt. Degree College	Kullu (H.P.)
2007	Mandavya Kala Manch	Mandi (H.P.)
2008	Mandavya Kala Manch	Mandi (H.P.)
2009	Mandavya Kala Manch	Mandi (H.P.)

NOTE :- Programme venue is subject to change in accordance with the weather conditions. Also the Chairman of the Winter Carnival Organizing Committee reserves the right to cancel or reschedule any of the items. Surprise Prize for best performance can also be given.

ENTRY FORM

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Name of the Team : _____
2. Full address & Tel. No.: _____

3. Name of Incharge : _____

4. Address & Tel. NO.: _____

5. Total No. of Participants : _____
6. Total No. of events taking part in : _____
7. Total No. of Male Participants : _____
8. Total No. of female Participants : _____

Rubber Stamp

Signature of Incharge

1. **CARNIVAL PROCESSION** (Cultural Procession) **Compulsory**

1. Name of the Team : _____
2. Address & Tel. No. : _____

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Signature of Incharge

2. FOLK DANCE COMPETITION (Compulsory)

1. Name of the Team : _____
2. Name of the Dance : _____
3. Name of the Dance Director : _____
4. Names of the Participants : 1) _____ 7) _____
2) _____ 8) _____
3) _____ 9) _____
4) _____ 10) _____
5) _____ 11) _____
6) _____ 12) _____

Names of drummers and accompanists should also be attached with the entry form.

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Signature of Incharge

3. WINTER QUEEN

1. Name of the Team : _____
2. Names of the Participant/s : 1) _____
2) _____
3) _____

Rubber Stamp

Signature of Incharge

Note : All contesting individuals to submit filled in bio-data form being supplied along with this prospectus.

4. PERSONALITY CONTEST (Men)

1. Name of the Team : _____
2. Names of the Participant/s : 1) _____ 2) _____

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Signature of Incharge

Note : All contesting individuals to submit filled in bio-data form being supplied along with this prospectus.

5. FILM DANCE COMPETITION (Group)

1. Name of the Team : _____
2. Names of the Participants : 1) _____ 2) _____
3) _____ 4) _____
5) _____ 6) _____
7) _____ 8) _____
9) _____ 10) _____

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Signature of Incharge

6. FASHION SHOW CONTEST

1. Name of the Team : _____
2. Address & Tel. No. : _____

We shall be participating/not participating in the fashion show.

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Signature of Incharge

7. GROUP SONG

1. Name of the Team : _____
2. Names of the Participants : 1) _____ 2) _____
3) _____ 4) _____
5) _____ 6) _____
7) _____ 8) _____
9) _____ 10) _____

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Signature of Incharge

8. CLASSICAL DANCE GROUP

1. Name of the Team : _____
2. Names of the Participants : 1) _____ 2) _____
3) _____ 4) _____
5) _____ 6) _____

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Signature of Incharge

BIO-DATA 'FORM'

(To be submitted by all participants of Winter Queen & Personality Contest)

1. Name
2. Father's Name
3. Date of Birth
4. Nationality
5. Address.....
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6. Height (FT/INCHES)(...../.....)
7. Occupation
8. Educational Qualification.....
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- 9 My Goal in Life
10. My Interests
11. Some Interesting Information about me.....
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12. Why you think you can win this contest.....
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Space for
Passport size
photo

Signature