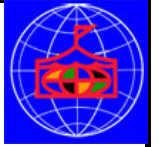




## DIFI Wrap-up



Congratulations to you all for an awesome representation at the DIFI event this year! It was an amazing and mesmerizing show of Indian culture and heritage via cultural performances, Indian food, Henna designs, workshops, booth decorations, etc. To add icing to the cake, we received **President's award for the overall booth decor** and Sonia Gupta won the **runner-up title at the DIFI Pageant**. The Taj was a unique presentation of its kind. It reached many homes in Dayton when many people took pictures of it with their friends and families. The Indian booth this year had a different layout. Thanks to the EC member's creativity!



Even though it was little tiring, it was a wonderful experience for all of us. Thanks to all the EC members and their spouses for the awesome job. Special thanks go to our valuable volunteers for taking up huge responsibilities during the time of need, and all the participants and choreographers for their awesome performances at the formal, informal and urban nights stages.

We had the best ever mehendi booth this year. The volunteers appreciated the bigger booth size that we provided for mehendi. It attracted huge crowd on all three days and indirectly helped in promoting our culture and heritage. **The mehendi booth and India's cultural performances even got a good mention in Sunday issue of Dayton Daily News.** My sincere appreciation goes to all hard working volunteers providing their fullest for the benefit of India Club and the community we live and enjoy.

The youth members did their share very well. Thanks to all youth members who assisted in selling the tickets, performing door duties, helping at the mehendi booth and help with the passport program.

We all must take pride in the fact that our show this year has left an everlasting impression on the minds of people who visited the India booth and attended our cultural performances. 2007 EC just proved it again by organizing yet another successful event this year.

*Panna Chordia, DIFI Delegate*

*Special Thanks to following volunteers for helping India Club at the DIFI event*

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Hopefully, we have not missed any of you. But if we did so, it was unintentional, so please email us at [Secretary@indiaclubdayton.org](mailto:Secretary@indiaclubdayton.org) and we will include your name in the next Samachar!