

Name: Bhavna Maker Vasudeva

Place of Birth: New Delhi, India

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Languages: Hindi, Punjabi, French, English

Religion: Raised as Sikh, spouse Hindu

Occupation: Realtor and Property Manager

Education: University of South Carolina, BA in Advertising/Public Relations

Spouse: Dr. Raj Vasudeva, graduate of Mayo College and Amritsar Medical College

Children: Armaan (22), Ishaan (18)

EXPREIENCE

- 2016 Smithsonian Institute and South Carolina State Museum partnership, Indian Community Relations Director
 - Facilitate the gathering of support from the Indian community in South Carolina for the Smithsonian and State Museum in order to host the traveling exhibit. Work with them to create an exhibit that reflects the contributions of the Indian heritage community to the growth and development of the state. Utilize personal network of individuals, organizations and SC Arts Foundation board contacts to bring the exhibit to fruition.
- 2013-14 University of South Carolina *Carolindia*, Co-Chairman
 - Worked with USC faculty to create a year-long academic initiative to educate the students, faculty and community on the role of India and Indian American's in South Carolina. Website creation, logo, and brand development of the project. Long term objective to create interest in community for endowed chair in India studies. Introduced a currently endowed chair to the community to promote discussion and create interest.
 - Produced programs which include studying abroad, public speakers, film-maker Meera Nair, Pulitzer prize winning author Siddharth Mukerji, promote student celebrations of Indian festivals among the community.
 - Organized the opening ceremonies for the International Encyclopedia of Hinduism - invited Counsel Gen Kumar, coordinated the Governor's office, and facilitated events that included Hanna Azare (anti-corruption advocate). Created guest list, promoted via social media and network of community activists. Ran point on the print/television of India media outlets. Coordinated all event media.
- 2012 Ambassador Rao's visit to South Carolina, SC Indian/American Heritage Community Liaison ?
 - Planned and executed all aspects of the official visit. Worked directly with the Indian Embassy. Columbia, Charleston and Greenville visits included meeting with academic institutions, business interest such a Boeing and the Port Authority of Charleston, along with tours of BMW facilities. Finalized keynote address to University of South Carolina students, faculty and Indian heritage community members.
- 2011 Ambassador Shankar Visit, Chairman
 - Prepared activities associated with the Ambassador's visit.

- 2010- 2012 RIC - Indian Committee, Chairman
 - Organized events with Indian community in NY, NJ, PA, FL and OH

OTHERS

- 2015 Red Cross Development Chair, Executive Committee
- 2015 Palmetto Health Cancer Center Foundation, Development Chair
- 2012, 2015 SC Arts Foundation Fashion Gala, Chairman
- 2012-2017 South Carolina Governor's Mansion, Commissioner
- 1998-2000 University of SC Women's Club, President
- 1995-2014 Junior League of Columbia
- 1995-2000 Columbia Medical Society Women's Club, Various Leadership Positions
- 1995-1989 USC Medical Women's Club, President