

Ratha Yatra London 2003

Rama Kesava dasa



Ratha Yatra, also known as the festival of the chariots, is a celebration of Lord Jagannatha, Lord of the Universe (Kṛṣṇa). Central to the festival is a large street procession featuring floats resembling traditional Indian temples. The floats carry the three deities Jagannatha, his brother Balaram and sister Subhadra. The festival originated in the state of Orissa in eastern India. It was brought to the West when Shri Rādhā Prabhupada and his Society organized the first Ratha Yatra in San Francisco, 1967. Now the festival occurs in cities throughout the world from London, New York, San Francisco, Hawaii to Sydney.

