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## Sikh Sacred Space



Saturday 12 Oct 2024  
2pm-3.30pm

Gurudwara Sri Guru  
Harkrishan Sahib Ji, 3034  
Great North Road, New  
Lynn, Auckland



**Dress code:**

Please dress cleanly and modestly.  
Both men and women should avoid shorts, keep their head and shoulders covered.

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The Sikh community is said to be the country's fastest-growing and fifth-largest religious group in Auckland. The number of people affiliating with the Sikh religion more than quadrupled since 2006.

Many Sikh who settled in Aotearoa New Zealand have experienced living in the Pacific Islands, e.g. in Fiji, before migrating to Auckland.



Before entering a Sikh Temple, a Gurudwara, all participants are asked to remove their shoes and cover their hair.





The first Sikh Guru and founder of Sikhism was Guru Nanak, who lived about 550 years ago. He was followed by ten Gurus. The last Guru is Sri Guru Granth Sahib, the “eternal Guru”.





Sri Guru Granth Sahib, the “eternal Guru”, is in the centre. While non-Sikh might consider Guru Granth Sahib a book, this is for Sikhs a Living Guru, a unique scripture who is treated with the utmost respect.



The term Sikh means 'disciple' or 'learner', and this 'learner' is receiving enlightenment through their Guru, who is considered their prophet who dispels darkness.





Behind the scenes:  
members of the community  
are preparing the Langar, the  
communal meal.







Langar is served in sustainable stainless steel plates.



