

# Day 1 – Sunday December 29, 2024

8:30 AM  
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10:00 AM

Opening Prayers  
USA & Canada Anthems  
Visions of Paradise

Legends Ballroom

10:00 AM – 10:15AM Break

10:15 AM  
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12:00 PM

Co-Chairs + Opening Remarks  
Keynote Address : Boman Irani  
Youth Keynote : Sanaya Master

Legends Ballroom

12:15 PM  
1:15 PM

Lunch

Legends Ballroom

1:30 PM  
3:00 PM

Zarathustra's Gāthās and the Art of Living *Keki Dadachanji: Farzin Avari, Mahtab Dastur, Natasha Dungor, Afshan Irani*

Legends Ballroom

3:00 PM – 3:15 PM Break

3:20 PM  
4:30 PM

### Discovery Center

"Who are We"?-  
Zoroastrians in the  
Western World  
*Kimiya Shahzadi: Zane  
Commissariat, Natalia  
Kanga, Sharmin Mistry,  
Ashton Zadeh*

### Champions I & II

Preserving the Flame:  
The role of museums  
and cultural  
organizations  
*Banoo Irani Parpia: Bradley  
Bailey, Jennifer Kapral, Amy  
G. Poster*

### Champions III

Breaking the Chains of Bias:  
Reclaiming Zoroastrian Unity  
in North America through  
Conflict Resolution  
*Ferzin Patel*

4:35 PM  
5:45 PM

### Discovery Center

The Great Zoroastrian Debate: *Tanya Hoshi: Burzin Balsara, Afriti Chinoy, Poruz  
Khambatta, Zubin Mistry, Kaizeen Mody, Daisy Pithawalla*

Evening  
Program

7:30 PM - Doors Open  
7:45 PM - Rhythm India  
8:00 PM - The Good, The Bad & The D'Ugly  
9:00 PM - Dinner  
10:00 PM - The Z Band

Denim & Diamonds Gala Legends Ballroom

Sponsored by  
Nazneen &  
Kershaw  
Khumbatta

Champions  
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&  
Upstairs  
Lobby

Exhibits  
&  
Vendors

1:30PM  
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5:00 PM

Champions  
VI

Kids  
Congress

Ages  
5-10

1:30PM  
-  
5:45PM

Champions  
VII

Teen/  
Tween  
Congress

Ages  
11-15

1:30PM  
-  
5:45PM

# Day 2 – Monday December 30, 2024

8:45 AM  
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9:50 AM

**Legends Ballroom**  
FEZANA Jungalwala Lecture: O Youth of Good Thoughts, Good Words, Good Deeds, and Good Religion: Young Zoroastrians, from the Past to the Future.  
*Professor Miguel Ángel Andrés-Toledo*

9:50 AM – 10:00 AM Break

10:00 AM  
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11:30 AM

**Discovery Center**  
Embrace the Future: Initiating Athravans and Consecrating Atash Kadehs in N. America  
*Tehemton Mirza: Khushrav Nariman, Behram Panthaki and Porus Cyrus Pavri*

11:30 AM  
1:30 PM

**Legends Ballroom**  
FEZANA Awards Lunch – Sponsored by Aban Rustomji & Family

1:35 PM  
2:45 PM

**Discovery Center**  
The Celebration of Life Through Zoroastrian Ceremonies 1

**Champions I & II**  
Sustainable Philanthropy  
*Behram Irani: Cyrus Irani, Leilah Vevaina*

**Champions III**  
Gateway to Zoroastrian Renaissance  
*Barjor Dastur, Meheryar Rivetna*

2:50 PM  
4:00 PM

**Discovery Center**  
The Celebration of Life Through Zoroastrian Ceremonies 2

**Champions I & II**  
Bridging the Gap: Preserving Z Heritage with Gen Z  
*Shiva Ashtari: Parisa Foroudian, Radman Khorishidian, Siavash Mandegari*

**Champions III**  
Valor and Virtue: Zoroastrian Leadership in Military and Civil Service  
*Keshvar Buhariwalla: Rayomand Bam, Huban Govadia, Cainaz Vakharia*

4:00 PM – 4:20 PM Break

4:20 PM  
5:30 PM

**Discovery Center**  
Many Flames Build a Fire  
Voices on Faith and Spirituality  
*Behram Panthaki: Rayomand Katrak, Rozmin Irani, Burges Unwalla*

**Champions I & II**  
Storytelling to Feed Our Souls  
*Niloufer Mavalwala, Nawaz Merchant and Lila Sidhwa*

**Champions III**  
Harnessing Good Stress and Minimizing Bad Stress: Wisdom from Ancient Zoroastrianism to Modern Science  
*Firdaus Dhabhar*

Evening Program

**Comedy Night** **Legends Ballroom**  
7:00 PM - Doors Open  
7:30 PM - Pestonji Pakrai Giya – Original Gujrati Natak  
9:00 PM - Dinner  
10:00 PM – DJ Gary – Rocks the night  
Sponsored by Reza Persian Grill

**Champions V & Upstairs Lobby**

**Exhibits & Vendors**

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Closed during Lunch

**Champions VI**

Kids Congress

Ages 5-10

9:00 AM - 5:30 PM

**Champions VII**

Teen/ Tween Congress

Ages 11-15

9:00 AM - 5:30 PM

**Founders Room**

**9:00 PM**

**Young Adults Silent Disco**

Prepaid Tickets required

# Day 3 – Tuesday December 31, 2024

8:45 AM 10:00 AM	<b>Legends Ballroom</b>	
	FEZANA NAZC2024 Session	
10:00 AM 10:15AM	<b>Legends Ballroom</b>	
	Upcoming Congresses: WZC 2026 Singapore & NAZC2028 Sacramento, CA	
10:15 AM 10:30AM	<b>Legends Ballroom</b>	
	Address by Vada Dasturji Khurshed Dastoor	
10:30 AM – 10:45 AM Break		
10:45 AM 11:15AM	<b>Legends Ballroom</b>	
	Prof. K. D. Irani Lecture : Unlocking Endless Potential - <i>Parisa Khosravi</i>	
11:15 AM 12:30 PM	<b>Legends Ballroom</b>	
	Our Tomorrow Starts Today: A path forward for the next decade for the Zoroastrian community in North America - <i>Arzan Wadia: Persis Driver, Bahrom Firozgary, Kayras Irani, Khodadad Pashutanizadeh, Kimiya Shazadi</i>	
12:30 PM 1:30 PM	<b>Legends Ballroom</b>	
	Lunch	
1:30 PM 2:40 PM	<b>Discovery Center</b> The Path to Modernity: Zoroastrians in Iran Speak About Their Religious Lives <i>Dr. Sarah Stewart</i>	<b>Champions I &amp; II</b> Make Your Voices Heard <i>Zubin Mistry: Artina Belivan, Tahsheen Daruwala, Homi D. Gandhi, Artemis Javanshir, Sharmeen Mehri, Shirin Mehri, Jeh Mory, Darius Tamboli, Ashton Zadeh</i>
		<b>Champions III</b> Empowering Zarathushti Communities with AI <i>Farzad Sunavala: Eric Engineer, Cyrus Jamula</i>
2:45 PM 3:55 PM	<b>Discovery Center</b> Tajikistan's Persian Zoroastrian Heritage: Modern Manifestations to Ancient Archaeology <i>Kersi Shroff: Cyrus Rivetna</i>	<b>Champions I &amp; II</b> Carving the Zoroastrian Public Brand in N. America <i>Mahtab B. Dastur: Xenia Byramji, Anahita Hormozdyari, Parshan Khosravi, Mahfrin Santoke</i>
		<b>Champions III</b> Flourishing in Fine Arts: Spotlights on Creative Minds <i>Jenisteen Davier: Jennifer Bugli, Anaheez Karbhari, Ashdeen Z. Lilaowala</i>
4:00 PM 4:20 PM	<b>Discovery Center</b>	
	Wrap-up Session: Concluding the program	
Evening Program	<b>New Year Eve Gala</b> 7:00 PM - Doors Open 7:30 PM - Entertainment & Passing the Torch 9:30 PM - Dinner 10:00 PM – DJ Masti – Brings in the New Year 2025	<b>Legends Ballroom</b> Sponsored by Shernaz & Feroze Bhandara

**Champions V & Upstairs Lobby Exhibits & Vendors**

9:00 AM  
12:30 PM

**Champions VI**

Kids Congress

Ages 5-10

9:00 AM  
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4:30 PM

**Champions VII**

Teen/Tween Congress

Ages 11-15

9:00 AM  
-  
4:30 PM

## Day 4 – Wednesday January 1, 2025

9:45 AM

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11:30 AM

Shuttle Buses from Royal Sonesta to ZAH

**Royal Sonesta Lobby**

11:00 AM

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12:15 AM

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**Bhandara Atash Kadeh**

12:30 PM

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1:30 PM

Lunch

**ZAH Center**

1:30 PM

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3:00 PM

Shuttle Buses from ZAH to Royal Sonesta

**ZAH**