



Magic of Kiirtan



Kiirtan literally means singing the glory or love of the Supreme Entity, loudly.

By chanting repeatedly the holy name of God this is *nama kiirtan*.

Kiirtan is not just devotional singing and chanting – but often the use and repetition of a mantra (*Ba'ba' Na'ma Kevalam*) to a dance with associated bodily movements and mental ideation towards God.

Nagar kiirtan is a procession and dancing of *kiirtan* in streets and parklands.



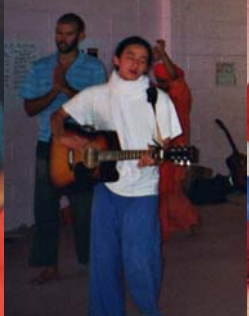
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Akhanda Kiirtan



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On important festive or commemorative occasions, *kiirtan* is danced around in circles - called *akhanda kiirtan*.

When *kiirtan* is dance in a circular counter-clockwise movement, a very strong vibrational flow is created, along with the chanting of mantra and music.



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The fundamental idea behind *kiirtan* is to arouse devotion for the all pervading Cosmic Entity.