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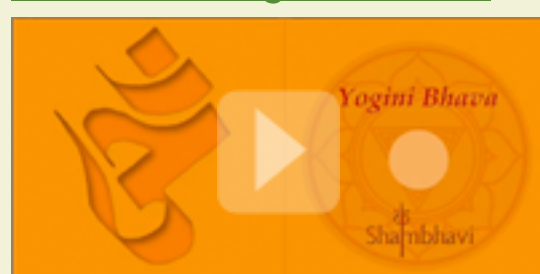
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- **August 19-21:** [Toronto Yoga Festival](#) (Toronto, Ontario, Canada)
- **Sept. 20-Oct. 15:** Vamadeva and Shambhavi in India for pilgrimage; programs for India audiences.
- **October 31-November 2:** [Yoga Alliance Leadership Conference](#) (Indian Wells, California)

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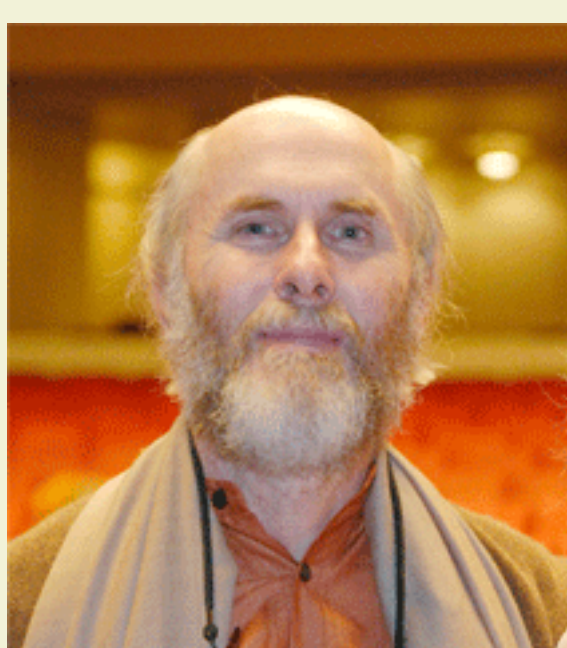
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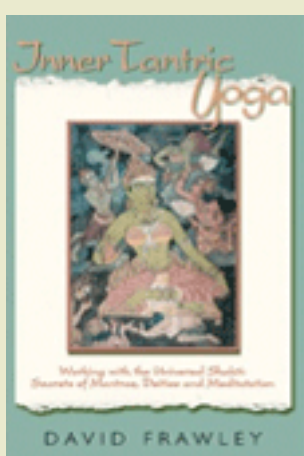
[Yogini Shambhavi](#) is the co-director of the institute helping with new retreats, tours, trainings, chanting CDs and publications. Yogini Shambhavi is one of India's foremost women teachers and gurus in the Shakti tradition, in yogic, Tantric and Vedic fields, and is now gaining a following in the western world. She joins Dr. Frawley (Acharya Vamadeva) for teaching programs and is available for personal consultations and individual guidance. Yogini Shambhavi is a noted writer and chanter, who has a unique power to inspire, motivate and uplift all who come into contact with her.

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### Mantra Yoga and Primal Sound: Secrets of Bija (Seed) Mantras

One of the most important new publications on how to employ mantras for healing, union with Divinity and Self-realization, examines mantras in Yoga, Tantra, Veda, Vedanta, Ayurveda, Jyotish and Vastu with clarity and precision. [Note beautiful article based upon the book.](#)



### Inner Tantric Yoga: Working with the Universal Shakti

Presents the classical higher Tantra of Raja Yoga with the inner worship of Shiva and Shakti as the light of consciousness and its transformative power, based on the works of Kavyakantha Ganapati Muni, chief disciple of Ramana Maharshi. In depth presentation and special meditation methods explored.



### Universal Hinduism: Towards a New Vision of Sanatana Dharma

New India publication discusses the new global relevance of Sanatana Dharma, the universal tradition of Dharma, the great spiritual and cultural tradition of Hinduism, Yoga and the Vedic sciences and their relevance for all of humanity.

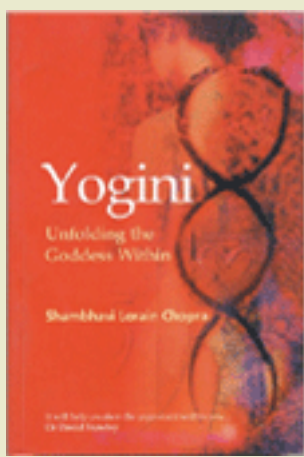
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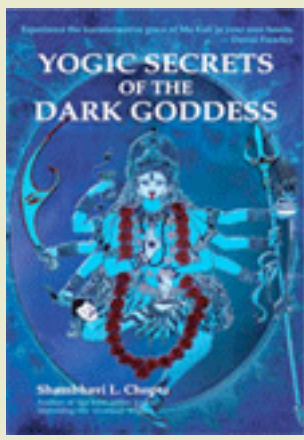
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### Yogini: Unfolding the Goddess Within

A profound and personal exploration of Tantra as an inner spiritual path. It dwells on the incredible discovery of unfolding shakti or spiritual energy as the essence of all that we can see and experience in life. Written in an easy to understand language, with short chapters that highlight the power and presence of the Goddess, the book has captivated many readers worldwide.



### Yogic Secrets of the Dark Goddess

An experience of Ma Kali and the Yoga of the Supreme Shakti. Regarded as one of the best modern books on the Goddess and her inner powers, The book consists of wonderful stories, direct encounters with the Goddess and profound wisdom on the cosmic and transcendent reality. It outlines the deeper philosophical meaning of Kali as the supreme Goddess of Yoga, her mantras and rituals, and how she appears to sincere devotees today.

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## Featured Upcoming Retreats in India and Hawaii



### Dec. 12-19: Hawaiian Yoga Shakti Program (Kauai, Hawaii)

A special retreat at a beautiful newly opened private Kerala style retreat center on Kauai's beautiful North Shore. Limited to twenty people in Kerala style rooms like a stay in ancient India. Special interaction with Vamadeva and Shambhavi and visits to sacred sites on the island, including Hinduism Today monastery, and the Na Pali coast. Kerala style Ayurvedic treatments available through Trihealth Ayurveda. Our first Yoga Shakti retreat in the USA.



### March 7-13, 2012: Fifth Annual Ma Ganga Yoga Shakti Retreat (Rishikesh, India)

Now open for [early registration]. At the famous [Glass House Neemrana Resort], the best hotel in the region with private cottages and a full range of Ayurvedic treatments available, fifteen miles north of Rishikesh with private access to the Ganga. Will include a celebration of the beautiful Hindu festival of Holi (festival of colors) on the river itself as well as a day off for river rafting on the Ganga, along with classes, rituals, mantra and meditation to connect with the Shiva and Shakti energies of this region that is the homeland of classical Raja Yoga. Daily Ganga meditations and beautiful rituals at sunset.

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