



BHAI SAHIBA BIBIJI INDERJIT KAUR

CHIEF RELIGIOUS MINISTER, SIKH DHARMA INTERNATIONAL

Panth Rattan Bhai Sahiba Bibiji Inderjit Kaur, PhD, is known and loved around the world as *Bibiji*. She is the Chief Minister of Sikh Dharma International and the wife of the Siri Singh Sahib, Yogi Bhajan.

Bibiji first arrived in the U.S. in 1971, following her husband, and together they dedicated their lives to serving American and Indian Sikh communities throughout the U.S. and around the world.

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Bibiji has traveled and taught internationally, working tirelessly, to bring the Sikh lifestyle and rich Indian culture to people throughout the world.

Thousands of students' lives around the world have been changed by the lifelong work and mission of Bibiji and Yogi Bhajan (1929-2004) to spread the Guru's teachings. Many of their students have accepted Sikh Dharma, and Gurdwaras have been built throughout the U.S. and in other countries by these new Western Sikhs.

Bibiji's teachings formed the basis of Sikh instruction in the Western world. She taught students the protocol for *Gurdwara*, holding an *Akand Path*, making *Gurprasad*, and serving *Guruka Langar*. Today, Westerners who have become Sikhs and their generations are seen everywhere in their white turbans and flowing chunnis.

Recognized as a harbinger of interfaith dialogue and a revered mother among religious and political leaders, Bibiji is honoured as an ambassador of peace and good-will by people around the globe.

Bibiji's endless dedication to the Guru's mission has brought her prominence and recognition in every corner of the globe, for her religious work, her wisdom, philanthropy, dignity, and grace.



Bhai Sahiba, Siddarth Kumawat, Maneesh Media

In January of 2023, **Maneesh Media conferred the prestigious Jewels of India Award** of recognition to Bibiji for her many years of visionary guidance, exceptional leadership and achievement in her monumental efforts to strengthen the Indo American relationship.

Also in January 2023, **Panth Rattan Bhai Sahiba Bibiji Inderjit Kaur Khalsa was appointed to the International Sikh Advisory Board (ISAB)** formed by the **Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (SGPC's)** Executive Committee. The SGPC president, Harjinder Singh Dhama, reached out to Bibiji to congratulate her on this appointment and to say that he looks forward to her insight on issues of import for Sikhs internationally. This board will make efforts to resolve issues and grievances of Sikhs living in foreign countries and support the local Gurdwara management committees in activities of Dharam Prachar (teaching Sikh faith). In her new capacity, the Bhai Sahiba will continue working to build and cultivate our relations with the Punjabi Sikh community worldwide and the Indian Government, to maintain and continue these efforts that were fostered by and considered crucially important by the Siri Singh Sahib.



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Bibiji Inclusion in Prominent Sikhs of USA

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In January 2020, Bibiji was selected for inclusion in Prominent Sikhs of the USA. This award of recognition was presented in Sacramento, California, to honor 50 magnanimous personalities of the USA, among those who have migrated around the world, and who shine bright, spreading the teachings of the Siri Guru Granth Sahib.



Bibiji receives the Ellis Island Medal of Honor

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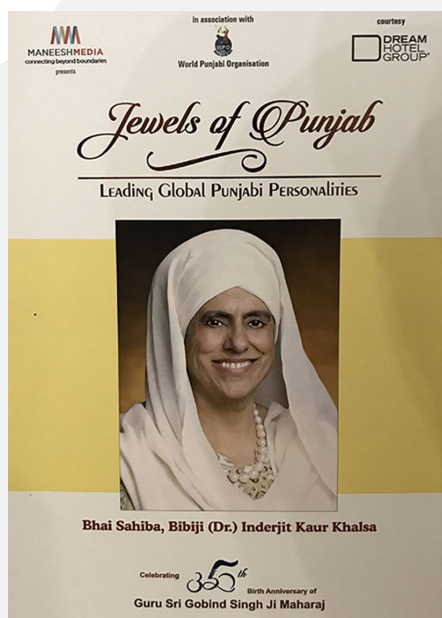
In March of 2018 Bibiji was awarded the Ellis Island Medal of Honor. Bibiji was recognized among those individuals who have immigrated to the U.S. and have made it their mission to share with those less fortunate their wealth of knowledge, indomitable courage, boundless compassion, unique talents and selfless generosity; all while maintaining the traditions of their ethnic heritage as they uphold the ideals and spirit of America.



Bibiji honored with Sikhs In Education Award.

Sikhs In Education Award

In October 2017, Bibiji was honored with the Sikhs In Education Award at the eighth annual Sikh Awards in Toronto, Canada. This award is bestowed to a Sikh teacher or educational institution that is taking a strategic approach to recognizing, educating and developing the talent and skills within the community.



Bibiji recognized in Jewels of the Punjab.



Bibiji receives the honorific Panth Ratan, Jewel of the Nation.



Bibiji reciting Ardas

Jewels of Punjab – Leading Global Punjabi Personalities

In August 2017, Bibiji was recognized by Maneesh Media with inclusion in *Jewels of Punjab – Leading Global Punjabi Personalities*, 34th publication, released on the eve of India's 71st Independence Day, August 14, 2017, in New Delhi, India. Maneesh Media produces commemorative volumes graced by top personalities who lead and inspire us, in nations around the globe, and honors the most successful men and women, who have settled away from their India heartland, yet are rooted in India; those who have struggled to find a base, yet stayed jovial; the men and women from Punjab, the land of wit, fun, hard-work, and sacrifice.

Panth Rattan or Jewel of the Nation

In 2005, Bibiji was given the honorific Panth Rattan or Jewel of the Nation from the Jethadar of Takhat Sri Patna Sahib, Singh Sahib Iqbal Singh.

Bhai Sahiba by the Siri Akal Takht Sahib

In 2004 Bibiji was bestowed with the title of Bhai Sahiba by the Siri Akal Takht Sahib. Since 1983, she has also held the title of Bhai Sahiba, and position as Chief Religious Minister, as bestowed by Sikh Dharma International. Her late husband, Siri Singh Sahib Bhai Sahib Harbhajan Singh Khalsa Yogiji, was honoured with the title of Bhai Sahib by the Akal Takhat in 1974 and the title of Panth Rattan from the Jethadar of Takht Sri Keshghar Sahib in 1999. *This marks the first time in history that the meritorious honour of Panth Rattan and Bhai Sahib have been given to both husband and wife.* The Siri Singh Sahib was awarded a joint United States Congressional Resolution honoring his life's work in 2005.

Bibiji's family lineage has carried the title of Bhai Sahib since the days of Bhai Sahib Abnasha Singh, and today, even after the partition and occupancy of her ancestral home by the Muslim community in Pakistan, the street on which they lived is still known as Bhai Sahib's Mohalla.

Bibiji's family heritage and her education and training prepared her for a life of service. She well understood the sacred responsibilities of the position of Bhai Sahiba that she was given.

"It was a great honor, and I knew it was my responsibility and destiny to serve."



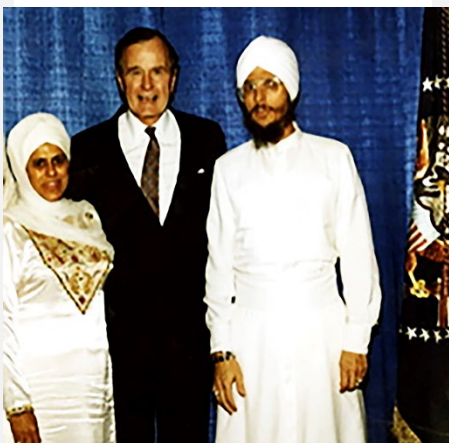
Bibiji is a guest of Dr. Oz



Bibiji, Yogi and Pope John Paul II



Bibiji, U.S. President Barak Obama



Bibiji, U.S. President George H.W. Sr

In Service to Humanity

Bibiji's outstanding work for humanity has brought recognition from many quarters. Named Resource Woman of New Mexico in 1994 by United States First Lady and Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton; Ambassador of Peace in 2006 by Senator Shannon Robinson; and the New Mexico Governor's Representative to India in 2007, by New Mexico Governor, Bill Richardson.

Bibiji is the Founder and Director of Create Inner Peace, a program to manage critical incident stress for first responders, through the technology of Kundalini Yoga and meditation. In their service to humanity, Bibiji and Yogi Bhan are renowned globally as good-will investors in the world.

Yet, with all their accomplishments over five decades, neither Bibiji nor Yogi Bhan took credit for the extraordinary growth of Sikhism in the West.

As Bibiji explains,

"The spread of Sikhism is not to be credited to anyone, but is a beautiful illustration of Sikhism as a universal religion."



Bibiji, U.S. President George W. Bush Jr.



Bibiji with PM Atal Bihari Vajpayee

Bibiji completed her education with *Master's Degree* in Guidance and Counselling from the University of New Mexico and *Ph.D.* in Psychology and Counselling from the University of Humanistic Studies.

*“Educate a boy, and you educate an individual.
Educate a girl, and you educate a generation.”*

Meanwhile, she continued serving the Sangat with limitless devotion, feeding, teaching, counselling, consoling, and caring for three generations of Sikhs and yoga students in the Western world.

*“It was always my dream to spread the Guru’s
message to the world.”*



*Bibiji with Canadian PM Justin Trudeau and
MP Randeep Sara*



Bibiji receives proclamation, New Mexico Senator Tom Udall.



Yogi Bhajan, Bibiji teaching youth in the early 1970s

When Bibiji arrived in the U.S. in 1971, Yogi Bhajan had already begun teaching publicly to everyone hungry for spiritual wisdom. Bibiji began teaching the students how to read the Gurmukhi script from the Holy Siri Guru Granth Sahib Ji and the protocol for maintaining the gurudwara, so the students could receive the Guru’s nectar directly and live in the light of Guru’s wisdom and guidance; and that was the beginning of the Western Sikhs, who were destined to come to Guru’s house.



Bibiji, Sangat at Peace Prayer Day in New Mexico



Yogi Bhajan and Bibiji with their three children.



Son Ranbir Bhai and Daughter-in-law
Avneesh Bhai



Daughter Kamaljit Kaur

Nurturing Legacy

Bibiji and Yogi Bhajan have three children and five grandchildren. Their eldest son, **Ranbir Singh Bhai** (founder of Yogi Tea), CEO-Yogi Botanicals, a certified organic global sourcing company and his wife, Dr. Avneesh Kaur Bhai, have three sons: Angad Singh, an attorney in New York, USA, Fateh Singh, and Sahib Singh. Their second son, **Kulbir Singh Puri**, is in International Real Estate Investments, and their daughter **Kamaljit Kaur** is CEO of an International Health and Beauty business. Kamaljit Kaur has two daughters, Dr. Kanchan Kaur at UNM Hospital, Albuquerque, USA and Taran Kaur, an attorney in Los Angeles, USA. **Together, Bibiji and her family continue spreading the Guru's light around the world**, while enjoying a cozy family life; and they are infinitely grateful for the blessing of their spiritual family, the worldwide Sikh Sangat, wherever they travel.

Success Mantra

Ang Sang Wahe Guru

Without ceasing, constantly hold the Infinite God
in your thoughts and every cell of your being.

Message to Youth

"Naam Khumari Nanaka , Chare Rahe din Raat."
-Guru Nanak Dev Ji.

Intoxication when chanting the Naam continues
day and night!

Education enlightens the mind and opens your
horizons.

Chant God's name and you will always stay high.

Drugs are a drag!
Guru Nanak Dev Ji gave us a path to ecstasy.

*"Ketia dookh bhookh sadh maar ay-eh bhi
daat tayree daataar."*

-Guru Nanak Dev Ji.

Even all suffering and pain are gifts from
the Almighty.

Remember that our challenges in life are
His gifts to make us great!



Son Kulbir Puri and Canadian Minister of National Defence, Harjit Singh Sajjan

Five Measures to Live By

"Keep up and you will be kept up."

"God and me, me and God, are one."

*"All things come from God,
all things go to God."*

*"If you can't see God in all,
you can't see God at all."*

*"God rotates this earth,
he will take care of your routine."*

-From the teachings of Yogi Bhajan



Grandsons Fateh Bhai, Sahib Bhai, Angad Bhai



Granddaughters Dr. Kanchan Kaur and Taran Kaur, Esquire