

Sandip Pawar

Candidate for BMM Executive Committee

Software Architect | Community Leader | Heritage Enthusiast



Introduction & Vision

Professionally, I am a Software Architect with 24 years of experience in the technology industry. Serving the community has always been a core part of who I am, and I believe social work is in my blood.

My Vision: I am deeply committed to giving back to the Marathi community. Through the BMM Executive Committee, I aim to increase participation from local mandals, build stronger collaborations, and introduce sustainable initiatives that cultivate Marathi culture and ethical values in the next generation.

Key Priorities

- **Active Collaboration:** Increasing participation of local mandals through collaborative models.
- **Cultural Diversity:** Prioritizing regional language programs and promoting Marathi cultural diversity.
- **Youth Engagement:** Introducing innovative initiatives in Marathi schools to connect youth with their heritage.
- **Talent Platforms:** Providing North American theatre organizations platforms to showcase regional talent.
- **Accessibility:** Ensuring local programs remain affordable to encourage wider community outreach.

Leadership & Social Work Experience (17 Total Years)

- **BMM Leadership:** 6 years of service across Deepasthambh, India Programming, and Yuva internships.
- **Charlotte Marathi Mandal:** 5 years as President, Lead of multiple committees, and BMM preparation team.
- **Calgary Marathi Association:** 4 years as Paalavee Coordinator, Website Coordinator, and BMM Representative.
- **Community Governance:** 8 years as Cultural Lead, Secretary, and Treasurer for Housing Societies.

- **Corporate Impact:** 2 years on Corporate Social Responsibility committees.
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Key Achievements

- **Community Welfare:** Led Shiv Jayanti food drives and bottle collection initiatives.
 - **Youth & Family:** Organized Marathi Students' Diwali Faral, youth picnics, and snow tubing activities.
 - **Heritage Preservation:** Conducted treks to historical forts to highlight the life of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj.
 - **Cultural Arts:** Directed and produced the "Janata Raja" Ekankika featuring 45 artists.
 - **Global Outreach:** Conducted 9 global online community sessions during COVID, including Mantra-Shlok Pathan.
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Professional & Personal Background

- **Education:** Masters of Computer Science and Masters of Computer Application.
- **Distinctions:** Best Cadet and Cadet Captain in the NCC; Gold and Silver medals in Rifle shooting.
- **Skills:** Black Belt in Karate (Best Fighter Award) and Corporate "Extra Miles" awards.
- **Interests:** Photography, Hiking, Yoga-Sadhana, and Spirituality.