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PRATHAM SEATTLE
GALA

Pratham Seattle Gala
Saturday, September 12, 2026

Hyatt Regency Bellevue
900 Bellevue Way NE, Bellevue, WA - 980046



Pratham USA

PRATHAM SEATTLE GALA 2026

The Pratham Gala is one of the premier events on Seattle's social calendar, bringing together civic-minded leaders from the business and tech communities alongside influential philanthropists—all united by a shared commitment to expanding access to quality education in India and beyond.

In 2025, the gala welcomed over **300 guests** and raised enough to support **40,000 children** through Pratham's programs.

PAST KEYNOTE GUESTS

Laxman Narasimhan, former CEO of Starbucks
Nandita Bakhshi, president and CEO of Bank of the West
Kim Starkey Jonker, president and CEO of King Philanthropies

Together, the gala raises vital funds to scale Pratham's impact, reaching millions of children and young people globally.

ENTERTAINMENT



SUHANI SHAH

This year, we're excited to have world-renowned mentalist and illusionist Suhani Shah as our headline entertainment for the evening. Suhani combines mind-bending illusion with charismatic storytelling, promising an unforgettable, high-energy experience for our 2026 guests.



ABOUT PRATHAM

Pratham works with the belief that every child should be in school and learning well. With over 30 years of experience working in India and beyond, Pratham changes the lives of over 5 million children and young people every year.

We have operations in 24 states and union territories in India. We work in partnership with communities, parents, schools, and local governments, providing them with the tools they need to give their children the best possible start in life. 25 countries around the world are replicating Pratham's programs in Sub-Saharan Africa, Latin America, and other parts of Asia. From the early years through adulthood.

- + **Transforming individuals**
- + **Transforming communities**
- + **Transforming systems**

Pratham's work has been recognized through major international awards, including the Asia Game Changer Award, the BBVA Frontiers of Knowledge Award, the WISE Prize for Education, the Henry R. Kravis Leadership Prize, the Skoll Award for Social Entrepreneurship, LUI Che Woo Prize and the Yidan Prize for Education Development. Teaching at the Right Level was selected as one of five finalists for 2025 MacArthur's 100&Change award. The TaRL approach was also recognized as the Academy Choice for earning the highest scores in impact and scalability by 2026 HundrED Global Collection.

WHAT WE DO



CHILDREN AND LEARNING

Engage children ages 3-14 to improve their basic reading, writing, and math skills.



YOUTH AND TRAINING

Promotes economic self-sufficiency for young adults through training and job placement.



GIRLS' AND WOMEN PROGRAM

Assists female dropouts over the age of 14 in completing their secondary school education and earning their 10th Standard diploma.



PRATHAM'S IMPACT



Pratham plays a pivotal role.

Pratham offers educational opportunities across various stages of an individual's life, from early childhood to adulthood. By supporting Pratham, you enable learning opportunities for children, young people, and girls and women, empowering them to realize their full potential. Communities are on the brink of transformation, and your support is more crucial than ever. The time to make a difference is now.

For this reason, Pratham's work and your support continues to be as critical as ever.

April 2025-March 2026 academic year, Pratham has:



Reached 460,000 children across approximately 10,000+ communities through direct engagement and additional 7.2 million children through short-run, volunteer-led camps.



Reached over 7.1 million children in partnership with the governments across 18 states.



Equipped almost 200,000 mothers with tools to support child's learning & development beyond classroom.



190 skilling/ training centers across 19 states in India including Delhi.



Given 84,000 young people employable skills with almost 75% placement rate among those receiving formal certification.



Enrolled almost 20,000 girls and women for grade 10 certification through the Second Chance program.



In 2025-26, the Pratham digital learning platform reached over 136,000 learners in India.

CONTRIBUTOR LEVELS



Pillar \$10,000

Impact: Provide learning materials and Pratham's evidence-backed content to 50 communities, reaching 5,000 children



Sustainer \$2,500

Impact: Provide vital teaching materials to one Second Chance center, helping young girls and women restart their education.



Beacon \$5,000

Impact: Support 15 girls and women, who have dropped out of school, to gain a 'second chance' at earning their grade 10 certification.



Catalyst \$1,000

Impact: Gift a digital learning library equipped with smartphones, tablets, computers, and internet connectivity to a community of 30 children.

BRANDING BENEFITS		Pillar \$10k	Beacon \$5k	Sustainer \$2.5k	Catalyst \$1k
GALA					
Main Event	Seating at Gala	1 Premium Table (10 Seats)	4 Preferred Seats	2 Preferred Seats	1 Seats
	*Digital screen(s) recognition	✓			
	Pratham Leadership Meet-and-Greet, including Executive Board	✓	✓		
Post Event	*Pratham Annual Report Listing(provided by the sponsor)	✓	✓		

*Names in this category will be displayed on the digital roll as individual, family, or family foundation (e.g., The Smith Family or John & Jane Doe).

While individual ticket and table packages cover event entry and programming, the Gala features a live fundraising appeal. We kindly ask our Table Hosts to let their guests know they will be invited to make a personal pledge during the evening's program.

These sponsorship opportunities will be tailored to suit the nature of the partnership. Event sponsorship opportunities are exclusive to one family or individual.

Please get in touch with Sweeha Panwar at spanwar@prathamusa.org for further options and to open a discussion.



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Please fill in this form to secure your commitment and/or table.

Please email any queries or the completed form to Sweeha Panwar at spanwar@prathamusa.org

Please see below for the address to send donations via check.

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Company Name (as it should be listed on all materials)

Address

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- ☐ Pillar ☐ Beacon ☐ Sustainer ☐ Catalyst
\$10,000 \$5,000 \$2,500 \$1,000

☐ Please invoice me for \$

☐ My check payable to Pratham USA is enclosed. Mail the completed form and check to:
9703 Richmond Avenue, Suite 102, Houston, TX 77042

☐ Please charge my credit card. ☐ VISA ☐ Mastercard ☐ AMEX ☐ Discover

Credit card no.

Exp. Date Security Code:

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