



ACM SIGMOD/PODS 2026

Bengaluru, May 31 - June 5

PROGRAM





SIGMOD / PODS 2026

31 MAY – 5 JUNE · BENGALURU

The leading international forum for database researchers, practitioners and developers - keynotes, research, industry, tutorials, panels, workshops, demos and posters across one week.

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Welcome to Bengaluru

It is our pleasure to welcome you to the 2026 ACM SIGMOD/PODS Conference - the leading international forum for database researchers, practitioners, developers, and users to explore cutting-edge ideas, exchange techniques, and meet the people behind the work.

- Jayant R. Haritsa (IISc Bangalore) & S. Sudarshan (IIT Bombay), SIGMOD General Chairs

KEYNOTES



Jan Van den Bussche
(Hasselt University)

MON 1 JUN · PODS

8:30 – 9:45 · Scarlet Ballroom
Models are data too: Towards expressive querying of machine-learning models

TUE 2 JUN

9:30 – 10:30 · Convention Center
Can AI assist in Mathematics and Computer Science research?

Prabhakar Raghavan
(Google)



Tova Milo
(Tel Aviv University)

WED 3 JUN

9:30 – 10:30 · Convention Center
Teaching a New Dog Old Tricks: Reusing Data Management Principles in the Age of LLMs

THU 4 JUN

9:30 – 10:30 · Convention Center
A New Golden Era for Data Management

Gustavo Alonso
(ETH Zürich)



Jayant Haritsa
(Indian Institute of Science)

INVITED TALK : THU 4 JUN

13:30 - 14:30 · Convention Center
Indian Database Research: The Journey to SIGMOD 2026

Welcome & Keynotes

The week at a glance

Sun 31 May	Workshops: Q-Data · aiDM · FinDS · SeQureDB · FORMATS · Joint SIGMOD/PODS Session: VectorDB · PODS Reception
Mon 1 Jun	PODS Opening, Keynote & Sessions · DaMoN Workshop · Gems of PODS · PODS Awards · SIGMOD Reception · New Researcher Symposium
Tue 2 Jun	SIGMOD Opening & Keynote · Quantum Panel · Tutorials · Industry & Sponsors · Demos · Poster Session 1
Wed 3 Jun	Awards & Keynote · Security & Funding Panels · Tutorials · Industry & Sponsors · Poster Session 2 · Cultural Program & Banquet
Thu 4 Jun	Demo Awards · Test of Time & Codd Innovation Talk · Keynote · Tutorials · SIGMOD Business Meeting · DEI Sessions · Poster Session 3
Fri 5 Jun	Workshops: HILDA · DBTest · SynthAI · DEEM · GRADES-NDA

SPECIAL EVENTS

SIGMOD/PODS Joint Session

Sun 31 May · 17:30–19:00

Scarlet 2 + 3

Vector Databases - Pointing in the Right Direction?

NEW RESEARCHER SYMPOSIUM

Mon 1 Jun · 19:00–20:30

Scarlet 3

Open to all early-career attendees.

MENTORSHIP & DEI

Mentoring Tue & Wed · Scarlet 3

DEI sessions Thu · Zinnia

PODS RECEPTION

Sun 31 May · 19:00–20:30

Scarlet 1 & Foyer

SIGMOD RECEPTION

Mon 1 Jun · 18:30–20:00

Scarlet 1 + 2 & Foyer

Cultural Program and Banquet

Wed 3 June 19:00–22:00

Convention Center

Banana Leaf Dinner

Thu 4 June, 19:00–21:00

Convention Center

(in two batches)

Program • Sunday 31 May

Room		Workshop • 08:30 –17:00
Scarlet 1		aiDM • Exploiting Artificial Intelligence Techniques for Data Management
Scarlet 2		FORMATS • Data Formats for Modern Architectures and Workloads
Scarlet 3		SeQureDB • Data Management, Privacy, and Security
Amaryllis		Q-Data • Quantum-Inspired Technology for Data-Intensive Systems and Applications
Petunia		FinDS • Data Management for the Modern Financial Systems
17:30 – 19:00	Scarlet 2 + 3	SIGMOD/PODS Joint Special Event — VectorDB
19:00 – 20:30	Scarlet 1 + Foyer	PODS Reception

Breaks • 10:30-11:00 | 12:30-13.30 (Lunch) | 15:00-15:30 | 17:00-17:30

Program • Monday 1 June

08:30 – 09:45 Scarlet Ballroom PODS Opening and Keynote Jan Van den Bussche (Hasselt University) <i>Models are data too: Towards expressive querying of machine-learning models</i>				
Room	10:00 –11:00	11:30 –13:00	14:30 –16:00	16:30 –18:15
Scarlet 1	DaMoN Workshop			
Scarlet 3	PODS 1 — Gems of PODS: Enumeration Theory through the Lens of Database Challenges	PODS 2 — Test of Time Award, Best Newcomer Award, and Algorithms	PODS 3 — Query Languages	PODS 4 — Streaming Algorithms (including Best Paper Award)
18:30 – 20:00	Scarlet 1 + 2 + Foyer	SIGMOD Reception		
19:00 – 20:30	Scarlet 3	New Researcher Symposium		
20:00 – 21:00	Amaryllis	PODS Business Meeting		

Breaks • 11:00-11:30 | 13:00-14:30 (Lunch) | 16:00-16:30

Program • Sun + Mon

Program • Tuesday 2 June

08:30 – 09:30	Convention Center Plenary — Welcome by General Chairs and Program Chairs, Contribution Award, Dissertation Award talk		
09:30 – 10:30	Convention Center Plenary Keynote — Prabhakar Raghavan (Google) <i>Can AI assist in Mathematics and Computer Science research?</i>		
Room	11:00 – 12:30	13:30 – 15:00	15:30 – 17:00
Amaryllis	PODS 5: Data Structures and Miscellaneous	PODS 6: Conjunctive Queries	PODS 7: Tutorial-1 and Query Evaluation
Scarlet 2	SIGMOD Research-1: LLM & Agentic Data Processing	SIGMOD Research-6: Data Integration & Exploration	SIGMOD Research-11: Data Repair, Causality, & Explanation
Zinnia	SIGMOD Research-2: Query Optimization & Accuracy	SIGMOD Research-7: High-Performance & Distributed Storage	SIGMOD Research-12: Spatial, Temporal, and Streaming
Poinsettia 1	SIGMOD Research-3: Vector and Nearest Neighbor Search	SIGMOD Research-8: LLM and Vector Retrieval	SIGMOD Research-13: ML for Data Management
Poinsettia 2	SIGMOD Research-4: Graph Query & Mining	SIGMOD Research-9: Vector and Nearest Neighbor Search	SIGMOD Research-14: Learned & Vector Indexing
Convention Ctr	Panel: Quantum	SIGMOD Demo-1	SIGMOD Demo-2
Petunia	Tutorial: Data Provenance	Tutorial: Vector Search	
Scarlet 1	SIGMOD Industry-1: Cloud Data Warehousing & Large-Scale Data Processing Systems	SIGMOD Industry-2: Graph Engines & Graph Mining Systems	SIGMOD Industry-3: Query Processing & Optimization
Scarlet 3	Sponsor-1: Amazon, Salesforce, Oracle	Sponsor-2: Microsoft, Persistent, Infosys	Mentoring-1
17:00 – 18:30	Convention Center / Foyer Plenary Poster - 1: PODS-1 to PODS-5 + SIGMOD Research-1 to Research-14 (Coffee in Parallel)		

Breaks • 10:30-11:00 | 12:30-13.30 (Lunch) | 15:00-15:30

Program • Wednesday 3 June

08:30 – 09:30	Convention Center Plenary - Award Distribution Session		
09:30 – 10:30	Convention Center Plenary Keynote — Tova Milo (Tel Aviv University) <i>Teaching a New Dog Old Tricks: Reusing Data Management Principles in the Age of LLMs</i>		
Room	11:00 – 12:30	13:30 – 15:00	15:30 – 17:00
Amaryllis	PODS 8: Tutorial 2 and Conjunctive Queries	PODS 9: Privacy	PODS 10: Data Sketching and Sampling
Scarlet 2	SIGMOD Research-16: Graph Query & Mining	SIGMOD Research-21: Query Languages & Execution	SIGMOD Research-26: Data Privacy & Security
Zinnia	SIGMOD Research-17: Testing, Tuning, & System Optimization	SIGMOD Research-22: Efficient Search & Filtering	SIGMOD Research-27: Vector Search & Indexing
Poinsettia 1	SIGMOD Research-18: Graph Analytics & GNNs	SIGMOD Research-23: Distributed & Cloud Data Management	SIGMOD Research-28: Learning-Driven & Autonomous DBMSs
Poinsettia 2	SIGMOD Research-19: Testing, Robustness & Optimization	SIGMOD Research-24: Data Privacy & Security	SIGMOD Research-29: Data Structures, Compression, & Data Quality
Convention Ctr	Panel: Security	SIGMOD Demo-3	SIGMOD Demo-4
Petunia	Tutorial: Relational Language Design	Tutorial: Data Agents	
Scarlet 1	SIGMOD Industry-4: Storage Engines, Indexing, and Low-Level Data Layout	SIGMOD Industry-5: LLMs for Data Management, Semantic Systems & AI-Augmented Pipelines	Panel: Funding
Scarlet 3	Sponsor-3: HCLTech, DataBricks, Icertis	Sponsor-4: Google, Bosch, IBM, Snowflake	Mentoring-2
17:00 – 18:30	Convention Center / Foyer Plenary Poster - 2: PODS-6 to PODS-10 + SIGMOD Research-16 to Research-29 (Coffee and Snacks in Parallel)		
Breaks • 10:30-11:00 12:30-13.30 (Lunch) 15:00-15:30			
19:00 – 20:00	Convention Center	Cultural Program: BHARAT PARYATAN - Ode to India's classical and folk-dance traditions.	
20:00 – 22:00	Convention Center	Banquet	

Program • Wed

Program • Thursday 4 June

08:30 – 09:30	Convention Center Plenary - Demo Awards, ToT Talk, Codd Innovation Talk		
09:30 – 10:30	Convention Center Plenary Keynote — Gustavo Alonso (ETH Zurich) <i>A New Golden Era for Data Management</i>		
13:30 – 14:30	Convention Center Plenary Invited Talk — Jayant Haritsa (IISc, Bangalore) <i>Indian Database Research: The Journey to SIGMOD 2026</i>		
14:30 – 15:30	Convention Center Plenary - SIGMOD Business Meeting		
Room	11:00 – 12:30	13:30 – 15:30	16:00 – 17:00
Scarlet 2	SIGMOD Research-31: Systems for ML	PLENARY	SIGMOD Research-37: Graph Mining & Graph ML
Scarlet 3	SIGMOD Research-32: Storage & Query Processing		SIGMOD Research-38: Human-Centric AI & NL Queries
Poinsettia 1	SIGMOD Research-33: Graph Search & Query		SIGMOD Research-39: Accelerating Data & ML Systems
Poinsettia 2	SIGMOD Research-34: Temporal, Spatial, & Streaming Data		SIGMOD Research-40: ML for Data Management
Petunia	SIGMOD Research-35: ML for Data Management		SIGMOD Research-41: Secure & Scalable Data & ML Systems
Heliconia 1+2	SIGMOD Research-36: Optimizations, Index, GPUs, & Learning		SIGMOD Research-42: Potpourri
Amaryllis	Tutorial: Relational DB on Quantum Platforms		Tutorial: Relational DB on Quantum Platforms
Scarlet 1	SIGMOD Industry-6: Cloud-Native Distributed Databases & Scalability Architectures		
Zinnia	SIGMOD DEI-1: Human-AI Partnership in Data Systems: Inclusion by Design or Bias at Scale?		SIGMOD DEI-2: Birds of a Feather
17:00 – 18:30	Convention Center Plenary Poster - 3: SIGMOD Research-31 to Research-42 + Selected Papers from ACM TODS Journal		
19:00 – 21:00	Convention Center Banana Leaf Dinner (2 batches)		
Breaks • 10:30-11:00 12:30-13.30 (Lunch) 15:30-16:00			

Program • Thu

Program • Friday 5 June

Room	Workshop • 08:30 – 17:00
Scarlet 1	SynthAI • Synthetic Data Generation & Management for AI
Scarlet 2	DEEM • Data Management for End-to-End Machine Learning
Scarlet 3	GRADES-NDA • Graph Data Management & Network Data Analytics
Amaryllis	DBTest • Testing Database Systems
Petunia	HILDA • Human-in-the-Loop Data Analytics

Breaks • 10:30-11:00 | 12:30-13.30 (Lunch) | 15:00-15:30

Cultural Program • Wednesday 3 June

About the Cultural Program:

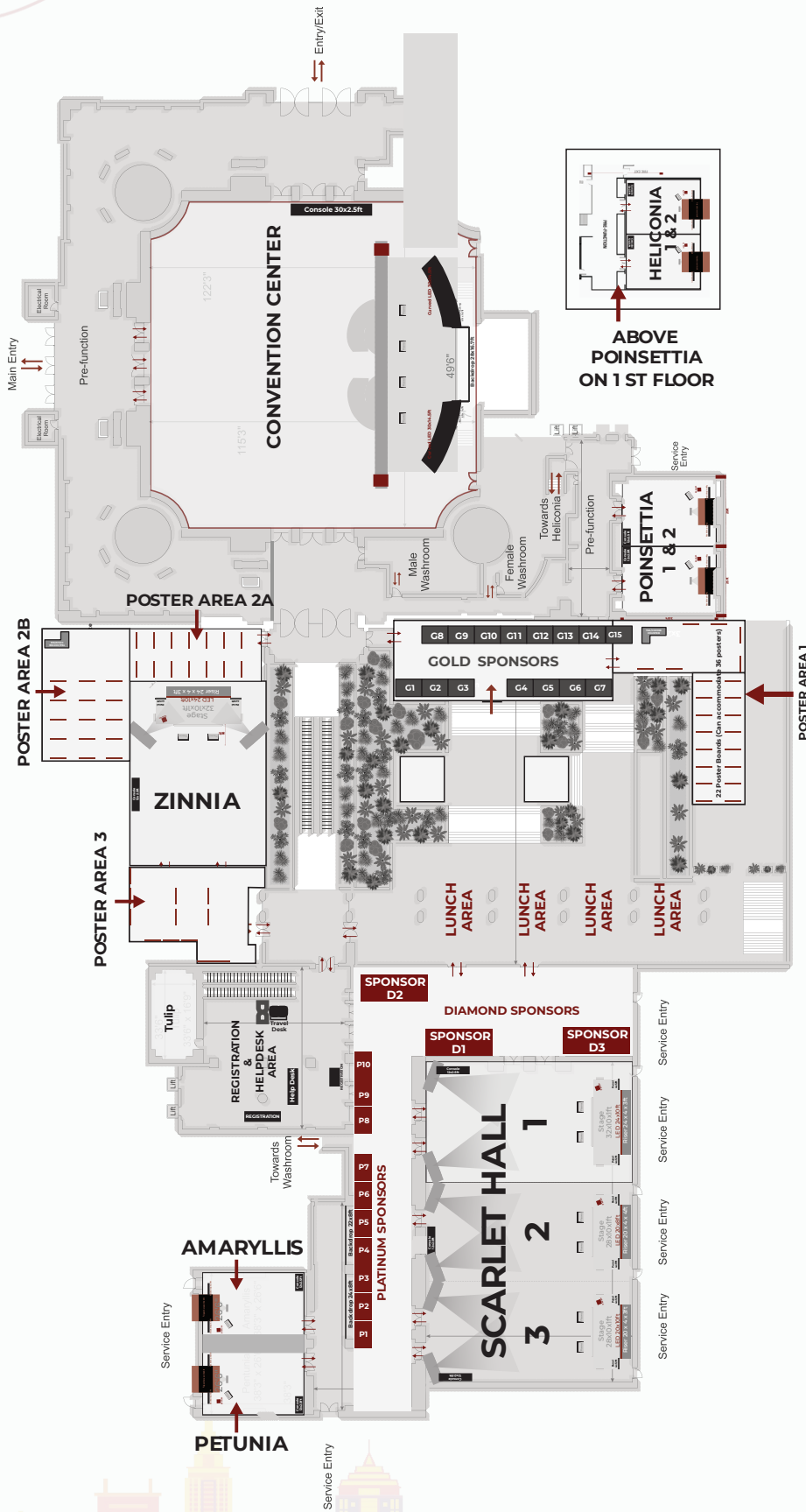
“Bharat Paryatan - Ode to India's classical and folk dance traditions”

India is a land of diverse cultures and traditions. Each region of the country has a unique culture, which is also prominently visible in its various art forms. Come travel with us on this incredible journey that brings together an eclectic mix of Indian classical and folk dance performances!

About the team - Bhramari

Bhramari is an innovative dance repertoire that has won international acclaim for its experimental ventures and thematic presentations. Founded by Sneha Kappanna, Bhramari's trademark has been creating a mélange of colour and composition with innovations in stagecraft, and the use of costumes and properties. Their ability to move between the classical, folk and contemporary forms of dance has led to many novel productions. Bhramari started in 2002 and has completed 1000+ shows across the globe.

VENUE MAP



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Web portal (laptop)

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Pre-Function Area of Tulip Room [Lower-1] ·

Sun-Fri 07:30 –17:30.

Queries: SIGMOD2026@ia-meetings.com

BADGES & MEAL COUPONS

Badges - please wear your badge always at the conference. It is required to access sessions, coffee breaks, lunch, reception, banquet etc.

Meal Coupons for accompanying persons - lunch, reception/dinner and cultural program/banquet coupons can be purchased at the helpdesk.

HELP & EMERGENCY

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GETTING AROUND BENGALURU

METRO (NAMMA METRO)

Purple Line metro spans the city from Whitefield (Kadugodi) in the East, through the central area (MG Road) to the West. The metro is very convenient for accessing the city center, and strongly recommended to avoid traffic jams.

The closest station to the conference venue is Pattandur Agrahara Metro Station, which is a 1 km walk/auto ride from the venue. Trains run from 06:30–23:00 (Sunday from 07:00), every 6–8 minutes. Fares range from ₹10–₹60. Buy a token at the counter or use the Namma Metro app (UPI accepted). Tap in and tap out at the gates. Security bag scanning is mandatory at every entry. Women-only coach available at the front. No food or drinks permitted on trains.

RIDE-HAILING

(CABS AND 3-WHEELER AUTORICKSHAWS)

Uber & Ola work with foreign accounts - pay by card in-app, no Indian SIM or UPI needed. Namma Yatri is the zero-commission auto app drivers prefer.

If you wish to try out a ride in an auto-rickshaw, it's best to book via Uber Auto or Namma Yatri. Many autos accept UPI; carry ₹100 / 50 / 20 / 10 notes if paying cash. Traffic jams are common, check travel times using Google Maps.

PAYMENTS

Visa / Mastercard work at hotels, restaurants, malls, and inside the Uber/Ola apps. Amex has a lower acceptance rate. Cabs/autos/small shops do not accept cards, so carry some cash. Payment using UPI apps is dominant locally but needs an Indian bank account; while foreign visitors can use the UPI One World prepaid wallet it requires physical verification and is worth it only for longer visits to India.

APPS YOU'LL USE

Google Maps · Uber · Ola · Namma Yatri · Rapido · Zomato / Swiggy · WhatsApp.

LANGUAGE

You can get around Bengaluru, and indeed any Indian city using English. Kannada is the local language, but English and Hindi are also widely spoken.

Greetings: Namaskāra (Kannada) Namaste(Hindi)

Thank You: Dhanyavadagalu (Kannada) Dhanyavāda (Hindi)

EAT, DRINK & EXPLORE

NEAR THE CONFERENCE VENUE

Phoenix Marketcity Mall — range of restaurants and shops
Forum Shantiniketan Mall — range of restaurants and shops
Windmills Craftworks — craft beer, food, books, live music
Olive Beach — Mediterranean (Phoenix Marketcity)
Hard Rock Cafe — at Phoenix Marketcity

Tipping Restaurants: 10% if no service charge

FURTHER OUT

M.G. Road and Church Street: hot spot for pubs, direct access by Metro Purple line

Filter coffee & classic dosas:

MTR (Lalbagh Road), CTR / Sri Sagar (Mallechwaram)

Expect queues - worth it.

CULTURE

Jagriti Theatre - local culture, plays, comedy, music
Fox in the Field, Nexus Shantiniketan - lively brewery

SAFETY

Bengaluru, like most cities in India, has a low rate of crime. However, you may consider traveling in a group if you go out at night.

MEDICAL CARE

If you need medical care please contact the event team on the provided mobile numbers, (page 10) they will guide you to the right place to get care.

SIGHTSEEING



Lalbagh Botanical Garden - 240-acre park; the Glass House and rose garden at sunrise.



Bull Temple & Bugle Rock - Old Bengaluru atmosphere in Basavanagudi.



Cubbon Park & Vidhana Soudha - Walkable loop past the State Secretariat and High Court.



Commercial Street, Brigade Road, MG Road - Shopping & the colonial cantonment quarter; Chickpet for traditional silks.



Bangalore Palace & Tipu Sultan's Summer Palace - Two pieces of the city's royal past.



Day trips - Nandi Hills (sunrise drive), Bannerghatta National Park (wildlife safari), Mysuru (3 to 4 hrs by road).

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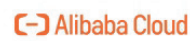
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