

Yesterday I was writing about my thoughts about gurus in the west and in India. When these gurus or their devotees or disciples hear and read my opinion, they often don't like me anymore because they exactly follow what I don't appreciate. But I say this and I have to be honest with my feelings. I say, if you like me, it is okay. And if you don't like me, it is also okay.

Today we had a day off and our hosts Matt and Seva took us to have a more touristic day to the desert museum. I liked the wonderful nature of the desert, you can see hundreds of years old, amazingly big cacti and mountains surrounding us. It was very hot but we managed to keep ourselves cool with water and an umbrella.

At the Ashram they had a celebration with the children of the school today because the 15th August is India's Independence day. They had some cultural program and Purnendu sent pictures of the children who performed.

[Click here for pictures of the celebration](#)

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