

**Subject:** [FairfieldLife] Maharishi's Sandals Photos

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These are a pair of sandals Maharishi wore exclusively for an unknown number of years prior to 1973. Due to financial difficulties, I am attempting to sell them. For their story, see below.





When I was skin boy in the early seventies, a pair of Maharishi's sandals came from him to me. They were his exclusive pair for many years.

They broke one evening in the wet grass of the Love Foundation, Mike Love's place in Santa Barbara. MIU, now MUM, was in Santa Barbara then and Maharishi was staying there. Anthony Jobbe, the skin boy at the time, found a rock and hammered the nails of the strap back in. Maharishi then wore them to Seelisburg the first time we visited. When we left for Switzerland, Anthony stayed behind, and I soon became skin boy.

In Maharishi's small meeting room, attached to his bedroom, he stepped on blank sheets of paper and had me draw the outlines of his feet. I then cut them out and sent them to his preferred sandal maker in India.

In due course, his new sandals arrived. We had ordered two pair. In that same meeting room, Maharishi put them on and asked if they looked too big. The few of us there said, "No." When he left the room to go to bed, he left his old sandals where they stood. That night, I did, as well. When I went in the next morning, they were still standing in the middle of the room. I realized that he either didn't care what happened to them or was purposefully leaving them for me. Needless to say, I didn't throw them away.

In my experience, they still carry a lot of his energy, as if the atoms and molecules have been entrained in it. And, of course, in India, they would be holy objects to be revered. I have kept them very well protected and have handled them very little over the decades.

At sixty-five, I have very little savings and have lost my job. I was planning to work into my seventies. My predicament forces me to attempt to sell them. I am hoping that the person they are

meant to go to will have the wherewithal and will to honor their value. As 108 for over four years, I spent around \$100K working for the movement pretty much seven days a week (when not rounding).

Another possibility is donating to me so I can donate them to the movement.

Please copy and email to anyone you know who may be able and interested.

Thank you and sincerely,

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