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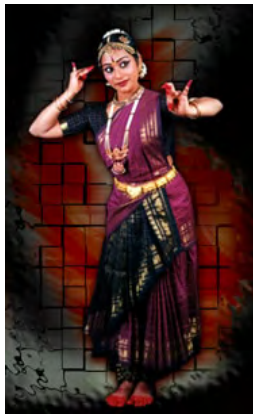
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SRUTI and Bharatiya Temple

jointly present

PRAYOG

A Bharatanatyam Dance Performance



by

Viji Rao



and the

Three Aksha Institute of Performing Arts Dance Ensemble

Wednesday, September 10, 2008

8:00 PM

*at the Bharatiya Temple Auditorium
1612 County Line Rd, Montgomeryville, PA*

Admission is Free.

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PRAYOG

“PRAYOG”, a dialogue between dance and mathematics. This piece will explore the relationship between mathematical and metaphysical elements of traditional South Indian dance through Bharatanatyam. The main objective of this piece is to show the usage of footwork along with the basic nuances of Bharatanatyam such as, hand gestures, standing postures, leaps and circling movements inter-played into geometric nodes and beats to create various geometric figures and shapes. The geometric shapes are often cosmological: they represent in symbol the essential structure of the universe.



For example, four directions, the planets, various divinities and man himself. This piece also uses basic principles of arithmetic to explore the bridge between arts and mathematics.



Viji Rao is director of the Three Aksha Institute of Performing Arts, which hosts dance performances, workshops and lecture demonstrations and she will lead this highly talented and flamboyant ensemble. Viji has over two decades of experience in performing, teaching and choreographing. She is also proficient in other forms such as Kalari-payattu, Chhau, Ballet and contemporary dance.

Nattuvangum : Viji Rao

Vocal : Pushthakam Ramaa

Mridangum : P. Janardhana Rao

Violin : T.S. Krishna Murthy

Morsing and Khanjira : D.V. Prasanna Kumar

Multiple Instruments : Praveen D Rao

ARTISTES

Directions to the Bharatiya Temple Auditorium

From the West:

1. Take the Pennsylvania Turnpike traveling East
2. Get off at Exit # 339 (Ft. Washington).
3. After tolls merge on to 309 North (towards Ambler)
4. Travel about 8 miles on 309 and make a right on to Stump Road
5. After about 2.4 miles right on to County Line Road
6. Temple is on your right.

From North Jersey:

1. Travel on NJ Turnpike and take exit # 6 to Pennsylvania Turnpike
2. Travel West on PA Turnpike (276 W).
3. Get off at Exit # 339 (Ft. Washington).
4. After tolls merge on to 309 North (towards Ambler)
5. Travel about 8 miles on 309 and make a right on to Stump Road
6. After about 2.4 miles right on to County Line Road
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From Philadelphia, South Jersey:

1. Take 76 East (Schuylkill Expressway) towards Valley Forge
2. After about 11 miles, take exit for 476 North towards Plymouth Meeting.
3. Travel about 4 miles and merge on to 276 East/Pennsylvania Turnpike towards New Jersey.
4. Travel for about 4 miles and get off at first Exit (# 339— Ft. Washington).
5. After tolls, merge on to 309 North (towards Ambler)
6. Travel about 8 miles on 309 and make a right on to Stump Road
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