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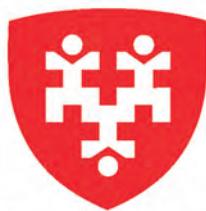
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Dear Friends:

On behalf of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Karyn and I are pleased to welcome you to the India Association of Greater Boston “India Day” celebration.

Since its founding in 1962, the India Association of Greater Boston (IAGB) has fostered a strong sense of heritage and community by making it possible for Indian-Americans of all ages and backgrounds to come together and celebrate Indian traditions. As the oldest Indian-American organization in New England, the IAGB has selflessly served Indian-American communities all across New England.

As a result of the tireless work and dedication displayed by President Jaya Voruganti, her staff, the many volunteers and current and past members and supporters, this event continues to grow and prosper each year.

Please accept our best wishes for an enjoyable “India Day” celebration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Charles Baker".

CHARLES D. BAKER  
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Karyn E. Polito".

KARYN E. POLITO  
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

# Cultural Programs

## Welcome Speech

Jeyanthi Ghatraju, Director, IAGB

## US National Anthem

Sonica Vaid

## Indian National Anthem

Sonica Vaid

## Emcees

Arth Joshi, Ashna Parikh, Alia Rizvi & Prisha Naduthota

## 1. Fusion by Titian

*A creative fusion of “Imagine,” and “We shall overcome” fused with Hindi songs.*

### Teacher/Coordinator

**Jyothi Sharma**

### Participants

Janani Sharma, Madison Russo, Alex Naughton, Alyssa Clancy, Kellany Spandaro, Emily Trubee, Sarala Sharma & Garret Coleman

## 2. Rising Stars by Academy of Creative Arts

*Academy of Creative Arts (ACA) is a school founded by Java and Hetal Joshi where 18+ different forms of creative and performing arts are taught under one roof in Burlington. Rising stars of ACA are going to dance on the latest hits of Bollywood top songs of today, hip-hop is their style.*

### Teacher/Coordinator

**Nikita Rao**

### Participants

Aarav Mandadapu, Nishika Parakala, Suchi Mathur, Neil Tallamraju, Hradini Shinde, Pranav Nair, Tia Bhardwaj, Aaditya Bhardwaj, Atulith Podduturi, Siya Shah, Hansika Tera & Nikhil Byrapuram

## Saheli Overview

**Dr. Anupam Wali**

**Advisory Board Member, Saheli , and Past President, IAGB**

***“The Queen of Song”***  
- Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru



***Bharat Ratna Smt. M.S. Subbulakshmi***  
***(1916-2004)***

“*The Nightingale of India*”- Sarojini Naidu (The Literary Nightingale of India)  
“*Surswaralakshmi Subbulakshmi*”- Padma Bhushan Ustad Bade Ghulam Ali Khan  
“*Tapaswini*” – Bharat Ratna Lata Mangeshkar  
“*Aathavan Sur*”- Padma Vibhushan Kishori Amonkar

*Subbulakshmi ji,*

*We the Indian-Americans of Greater Boston dearly miss your devotional song.*

### **3. Des rangeela rangeela...des mera rangeela**

*Fusion of Indian Semi classical and folk dance on the Patriotic song - Des rangeela.*

**Teacher/Coordinator**

**Sheetal Lotlikar**

#### **Participants**

Anushree Lotlikar, Dia Pillai, Arshia Agrawal, Nakshatra Chenna, Pallavi Cherkuri, Sai Sraddha Chaganti & Eesha Cilukha

### **4. Dancing Feet**

**Teacher/Coordinator**

**Shashwati Basu**

#### **Participants**

Amber Ajmera, Arman Dutta, Aryan Sharma, Krishiv Jayaswal, Manas Agarwal, Rudro Sekhor Roy, Vedan Sai & Raj Gajjala

### **5. Spirit of India**

*Young dancers expressing love for Mother India.*

**Teacher/Coordinator**

**Sonali Bhargava**

#### **Participants**

Vedavit Krishna Bharadwaj, Ritvij Sharma, Eshan Khire, Mihir Khire, Angel Arora, Sarayu Kothuri, Kasvi Batra, Ananya Bharti, Aditi Sharma, Urvi Deshpande, Shruthi Viswanadha, Shubhang Viswanadha & Reyansh Prashar

### **6. Masti Fusion Medley**

*Nikita's Bollywood dance academy kids showcasing their hiphop and folky dance movement to Bollywood hit songs like Blue hai pani pani, Balam pichkari, Taal, Chittiya kalayan and Selfie lele.*

**Teacher/Coordinator**

**Nikita Rao**

#### **Participants**

Diya S. Dodhia, Nivan Gujral, Aryan Rampal, Arushi Biswas, Sreya Soni, Suraj Sanariya, Arianna Rampal, Vikram Bajaj, Devangi Rathi, Aryaman Hegde, Priyanka Mannan, Anushka Mannan, Apoorva Hegde, Amisha Arora, Advay Nalla

### **7. Cheerleading with Dandia**

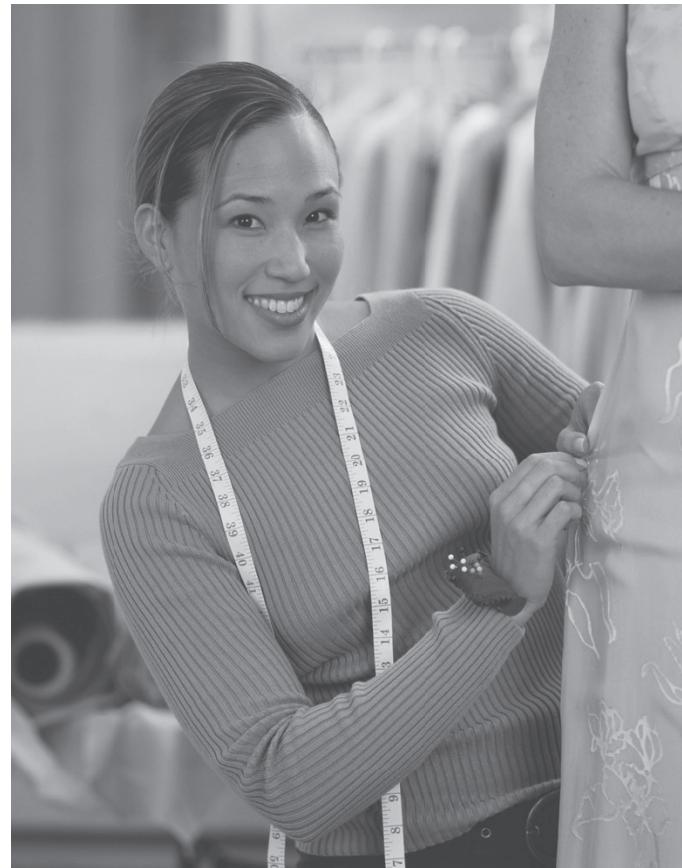
**Teacher/Coordinator**

**Archana Gorur**

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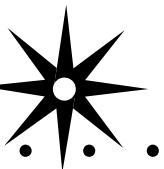
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## **8. Zamaana**

*Newton South SASA*

### **Teacher/Coordinator**

**Newton South SASA**

### **Participants**

David Fang, Veer Sawhney, Adin Henderson, Victor Lau, Timmy Hwang, Rhea Dudani, Ritika Dudani, Isabella Xie, Margaret Zhao & Kaavya Chaparala

## **2015-2017 Executive Committee Overview**

### **Jayashree Voruganti – President, IAGB**

## **Guest of Honor**

*Introduced by Ali Rizvi*

### **Mr. Ashraf Dahod**

Mr. Ashraf M. Dahod is the President and Chief Executive Officer at Altiostar. Before Altiostar, Mr. Dahod was the SVP & GM of Mobile Internet Technology Group at Cisco Systems, which was created after Cisco acquired Starent Network in 2009. Mr. Dahod co-founded Starent Networks in 2000 and was its President & Chief Executive Officer. Starent went public on the NASDAQ in 2007. Prior to Starent, Mr. Dahod co-founded NetCore Systems, Inc. in 1996 and served as its President and Chief Executive Officer. He has an exceptionally strong record of building successful technology companies, capitalizing on his ability to recognize market opportunities and combining it with a keen understanding of technology. He co-founded Sigma Network Systems, Inc. in 1988 and founded Nu-Link, Inc. in 1991, Applitek Corporation (renamed to LANCity) in 1981. Mr. Dahod holds a Master of Business Administration degree from Harvard University, Master of Science in Electrical Engineering from Stanford University, Master of Engineering Management from Northeastern University, Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Michigan and a Bachelor of Science degree in Physics from the University of Bombay. His other activities include: Patron, Saifee Hospital, Mumbai; Patron, Saifee Burhani Upliftment Trust, Mumbai; Member of Dean's Advisory Board & India Advisory Board, Harvard Business School;

## **Recognition of Service**

### **Dr. Anil Saigal -Past President (2013 - 2015)**

Anil Saigal is Professor of Mechanical Engineering at Tufts University. Prof. Saigal received his B.Tech from IIT, Bombay and M.S. and Ph.D from Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA. He has been at Tufts University since 1983. He was Chair of Mechanical Engineering from 2002-07 and Director, International Programs, School of Engineering, Tufts University from 2007-09. He currently serves on the Tenure & Promotion Committee and the Undergraduate Admissions and Financial Aid Committee. He is Founder of Lokvani.com, an on-line media serving the Indian-American community since 2001. He has been organizing College Admission Workshops for the community for the past 10 years. He is a Fellow of ASME and received the

*Freedom is never dear at any price. It is the breath of life.  
What would a man not pay for living?*

*Mohandas K. Gandhi*

**From The Past Presidents of  
India Association of Greater Boston**  
*(Established in 1962)*  
**69<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of  
The Republic of India's Independence**

We, the past presidents of IAGB, send our best wishes to the organization and the Indian union as IAGB celebrates India's 69th Independence Day anniversary. On this occasion, we also greet those attending or participating in this much acclaimed annual Hatch Shell event, made possible by the hard work of many volunteers. We continue to be particularly proud of the role that IAGB, the oldest and largest Indian American organization in New England, has played in preserving and propagating our rich and inclusive cultural heritage, so that successive generations of Indian Americans continue to take pride in, and retain connectivity with, their roots.

**Jai Hind!**

Dr. Kaplesh Kumar	(1995-1997)
Mr. Ram Voruganti	(2001-2003)
Dr. Anupam Wali	(2003-2005)
Mr. M Rajinikanth	(2005-2007)

2011 Distinguished Service Alumni Award from IIT Bombay. He served as the President of IIT Alumni Association (IITSINE) from 2010-2013. He is the past President of IAGB having served as its President from 2013-2015.

### **IAGB Volunteer Award: Mr. Jatinder Sharma**

Jatinder L. Sharma joined the India Association of Greater Boston (IAGB) as a volunteer in the early 1970s. Over the next 40 years -- first as a volunteer, then director and eventually vice president of IAGB – Mr. Sharma was actively involved in helping our Indian-American communities come together to celebrate Indian festivals and special occasions. A fond memory of Mr. Sharma's is when he was in charge of picking up the giant 16mm Hindi movie reels from the Greyhound bus station, and then assemble and play them on a movie projector in an auditorium for IAGB members and their families. It was his joy to help families come together for a glorious full-day event that brought the small but growing Indian community even closer through shared culture, food and arts. He also had the honor of designing numerous cover pages of the IAGB Event brochures, including those for Republic Day, Independence Day and the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary IAGB cover. Mr. Sharma is proud to have helped play a part in making IAGB what it is today: a premier Indian-American organization in New England. Mr. Sharma is a practicing architect and has been involved in numerous non-profit organizations where he designs temples, gurdwaras and churches. Presently he serves as a trustee for the New England Hindu Temple and is still a happy and active IAGB member to this day.

### **9. Natyanjali - Harihara**

*This item is a brilliant choreography combining traditional and non-traditional moves prescribed in Natyashastra describing Lord Vishnu and Shiva. Originally presented as part of Samprati for Vision-Aid in 2015, this item has been modified to fit the fusion concept.*

**Teacher/Coordinator**  
**Smt Padmini Ravi and Jeyanthi Ghatraju**

#### **Participants**

Archana Selvaraj, Arya Swamy, Divyashri Prasath, Hamsika Vedavinayagam, Jeyanthi Ghatraju, Kamakshi Pranatharthiharan, Padma Loganathan, Rishika Makkenna, Sobha Makkenna, Sreshta Jonnalagadda & Vijaya Swamy

### **10. Let's Nacho Mashup - A journey from Bollywood to Hollywood**

*A dance journey where the girls are excited to take you all to a tour from Bollywood to Hollywood, fun and energy packed hiphop dance performance on high heels, Work, let's nacho mashup!*

**Teacher/Coordinator**  
**Nikita Rao**

#### **Participants**

Shalvi Gupta, Shikar Gupta, Gawri Menon, Anoushka Audi, Keertana Dasari, Rhythm Arora, Mihika Shinde, Neha Kodeboyena, Tia Bhardwaj, Ikshaan Rao, Ishita Rao, Aneesha Mohapatra, Anulekha Sahu, Shravya Sathi, Samarth Agarwal, Arushi Biswas, Arushi Choudhary, Manvi Vajhallya, Vasu Jetley & Divya Pothula



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## **11. Performing Arts of NE**

**Teacher/Coordinator  
Darshana Jani**

### **Participants**

Sachi Mehrotra, Sumati Rangraj, Helen Varughese, Dawn Varughese, Sathi Patel, Mihika Abraham, Nima Chatterjee, Rhea Vyas & Vania Gautam

## **12. Zumbhangra**

*An eclectic mixture of zumba and bhangra, this is a high intensity contemporary dance forms with foot tapping mix of Bollywood and Latin music showcasing colorful props and innovative costumes.*

**Teacher/Coordinator  
Choreographer: Jyothi Setty**

### **Participants**

Anvitha Kasar, Pritha Yalakkishettar, Shreya Madhu, Shanvi Kumar, Sansriti Kumar, Meditha Sinha, Vibha Iyer, Kashvi Kumar, Suhana Mathur, Siya Barik & Nitya Sunkarapalli

## **13. Kathak-Bhangra Fusion**

*Nikita's Bollywood dance academy Soni Kudiya will present an energetic, beautiful and a graceful performance on a Kathak, bhangra dance fused with contemporary and hip hop moves from the latest top Bollywood songs of 2016.*

**Teacher/Coordinator  
Nikita Rao**

### **Participants**

Kareena Mannan, Celina Mannan, Nidhi Mankan, Ahria Desai, Ishita Rao, Neha Kodeboyena, Divya Mannan, Daizy Rampal, Ashima Mannan, Karishma Mannan, Rashi Gujral, Vibha Vajhallya, Puja Shetty, Meenakshi Arora, Sunita Mosurkal, Neelavani Thumma, Udaya Sravanam ,Aparna Pathak, Rishika Pal, Anushka Rathi & Seema Gupta

## **14. Chasing Shadows**

*A fusion piece which is characterized by the dancers dancing in madness to the intricate beats of the mridangam, eternal whistles of the flute, and elegant vibrations of the sitar.*

**Teacher/Coordinator  
Riya Thomas, Sakhi Chitalia, Melissa Uditnarian, Maya Domeshek,  
Suma Anand & Anisha Nakagawa**

### **Participants**

Riya Thomas, Sakhi Chitalia, Melissa Uditnarian, Maya Domeshek, Suma Anand & Anisha Nakagawa

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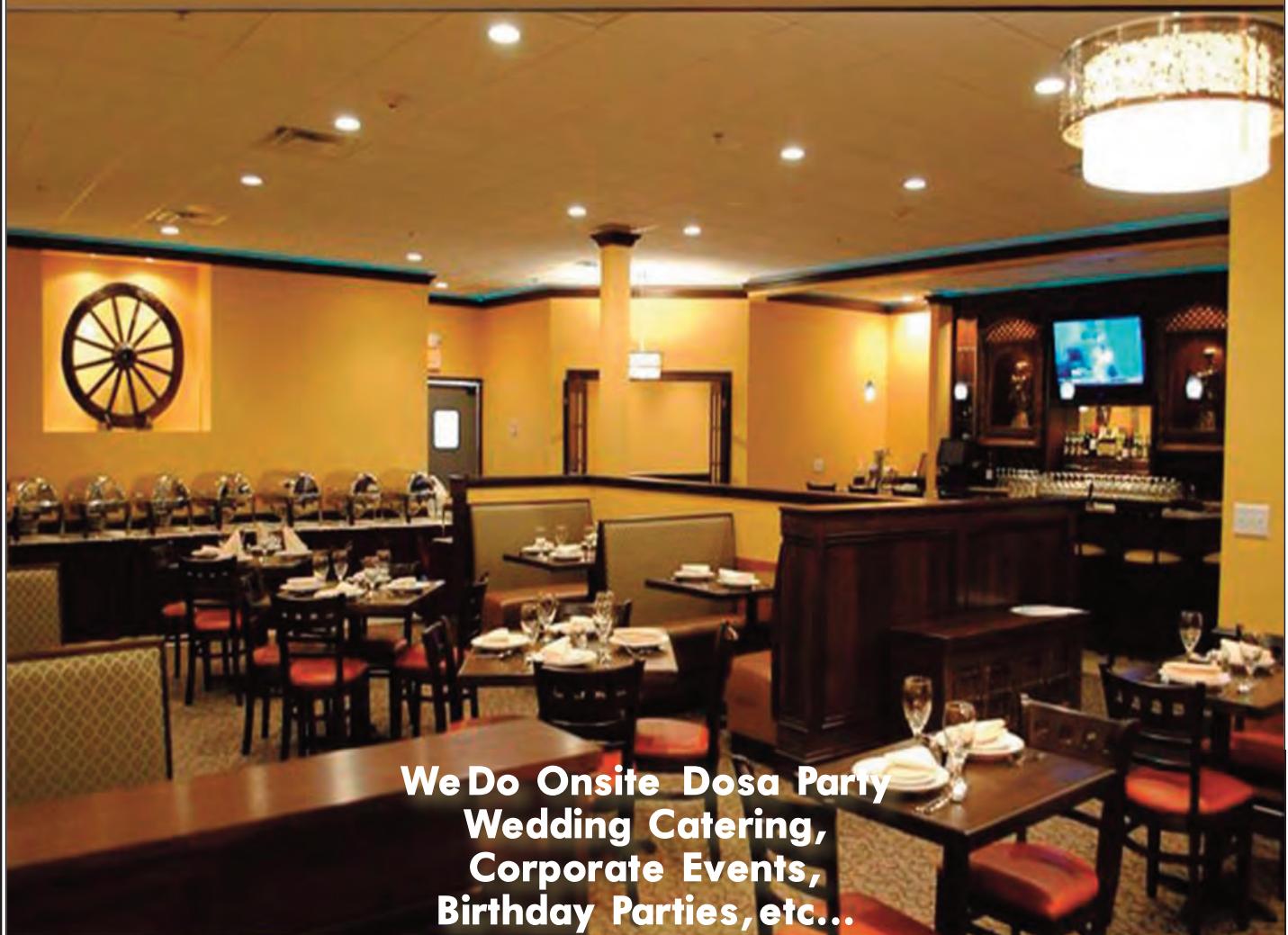


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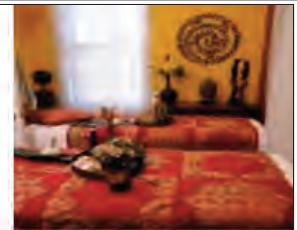
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## **15. Bollywood Fusion**

*This dance is a fun energetic entertaining modern Bollywood fusion where we showcase the north and south aspects of India.*

**Teacher/Coordinator**  
**Soumya Manikantan**

### **Participants**

Vipusha Chandrapu, Gargi Naik, Tanushree Shah, Tanishka Indorekar, Swapna Anantha, Divijisri Anuga & Karuna Gurbaxani

## **16. Dance Spirit – Rola Pe Gaya**

*Traditional Bhangra beats are fused with a modern style in this upbeat dance by the Dance Spirit team.*

**Teacher/Coordinator**  
**Bina Negandhi**

### **Participants**

Sarah Semy, Farah Semy, Rayhan Semy, Yamini Bhagadia, Reetika Bhagadia, Radhika Heda  
Vrinda Heda, Abhilasha Banka, Aditi Wadhwa, Monika Wadhwa, Deeya Khamesra,  
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Priya Kumar, Khushi Morparia, Medha Morparia & Devam Morparia

## **IAGB Youth Excellence Awards**

*Sanjay K. Gowda, Praveena Naduthota and Avinash Patil*

## **17. Total Dhamaal – Academy of Creative Arts**

*Academy of Creative Arts (ACA) is a school founded by Java and Hetal Joshi where 18+ different forms of creative and performing arts are taught under one roof in Burlington.*

*Every state in India has its own culture, own identity and its own lifestyle. Today, we are showcasing cultures from the North of India. So let's sit back and enjoy a complete party with the most energizing songs. let's ROCK!*

**Teacher/Coordinator**  
**Dipal Anand**

### **Participants**

Niva Pandey, Mira Rath, Nisha Namdy, Heer Doshi, Sama Khara, Anya Patel,  
Nilla Bharathan, Laavanya Rasiah, Niti Patel, Diya Patel, Pooja Lonial, Ishika Mandelia,  
Pallavi Goel & Pooja Kumar

## Concept of Tricolor

Pingali Venkayya, a fervent freedom fighter and the man who designed the Indian national flag, was born on 2 August, 1876. Venkayya joined the British Indian Army at the age of 19 and took part in the Anglo-Boer war in Africa. It was during the war that Venkayya met Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi and formed an association which would last for more than 50 years.



On 31 March, 1921 at the Kakinada conference of the Indian National Congress, Venkayya conceived the idea of a national flag.

MK Gandhi added the white stripe to Venkayya's saffron and green flag while Arya Samaj movement founder Lala Hansraj contributed the **Dharm Chakra** (wheel of law).

The present tricolor was adopted just days before India's independence, on 22 July, 1947 at a meeting of the Constituent Assembly.

Venkayya died on 4 July, 1963 in Vijayawada.

## **18. Moksh**

*Fusion of bharatanatyam and mohiniyattam, 2 beautiful classical dance forms from South India. Team Moksh is presenting the inevitable stories of vishnu puranam with mind-blowing choreography.*

**Teacher/Coordinator**  
**Sreeja Puthumana**

### **Participants**

Devanjali Senthil, Nisha Pillai, Seema Gopalakrishnan, Sreeja Puthumana & Swapna Putta

## **19. Dancing Divas of Shrewsbury**

**Teacher/Coordinator**  
**Dr. Resmi Nair**

### **Participants**

Resmi Nair, Srividya Ramachandran, Pratyusha Myneni, Neetu Gupta, Toral Saini, Madhuri Marathe, Kalyani Kanuri & Suchitra Shinde

## **20. Classical Fusion**

*A semi classical dance describes about Lord Shiva the creator of auspiciousness, one who locks the moon in his hair. Husband of Parvathi, all the salutations to you, O lord.*

**Teacher/Coordinator**  
**Soumya Manikantan**

### **Participants**

Soumya Manikantan, Neha Vinod, Kavitha Harikrishnan, Leena Hemachandra, Sree Lakshmi Rajaboyina & Rohini Sethu.

## **Silent Auction Winner Announcement – Adam Travels/Qatar Airways Syed Ali Rizvi**

## **21. DeNaNa DeNaNa by Kip Kop Dancers**

*Get ready for a power packed fusion dance!!!. These dancers will mesmerize you as they dance and take you to rural India depicting harvest, wealth, glory , good times and bad times and transform by putting their best foot forward to western hip-hop. Dance is choreographed to popular folk song from southern coastal Karnataka, India and catchy western hip-hop song.*

**Teacher/Coordinator**  
**Aneesh Puttur**

### **Participants**

Praveena Naduthota, Aneesh Puttur, Madhu Mattihalli, Kiran Adkoli Srinivas Gowda, Sathisha Movvar & Madhu Gowda

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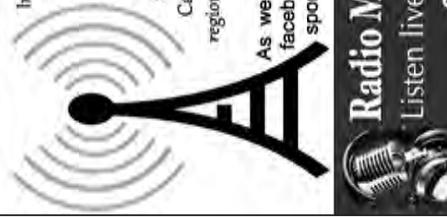
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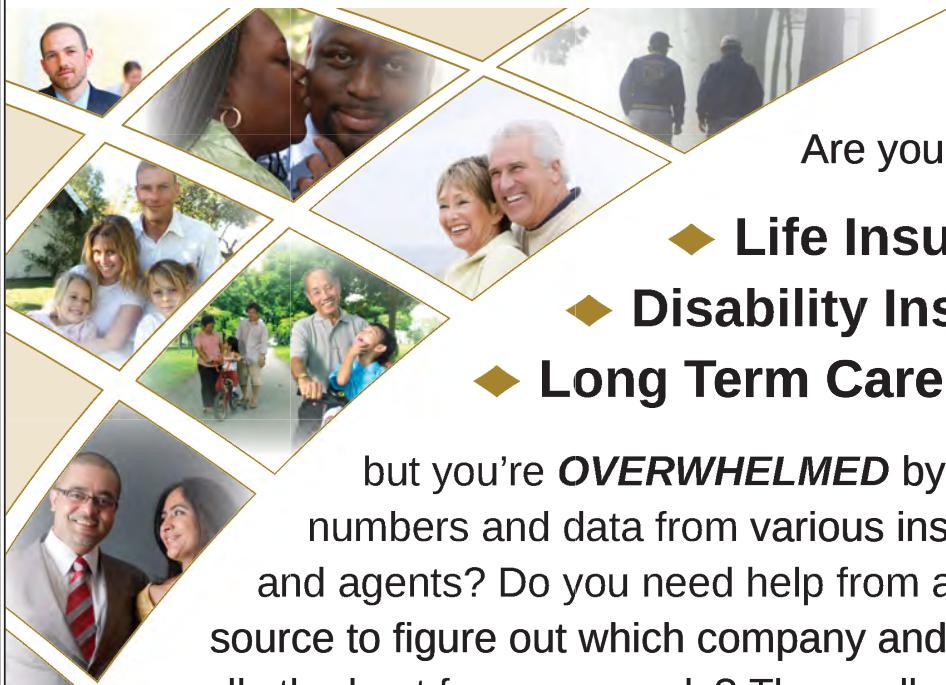
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