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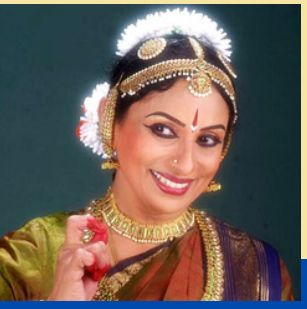
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QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Make an entry into learning - True learning occurs when you know the deeper truth and it integrates into you. Keep sincere, be steady and make progress - Never procrastinate nor postpone - Remember difficult life events are inevitable - they are the catalysts for us to change our lives. No matter how arduous the journey, put one steady foot in front of another.

-Guru Vishal Ramani



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September Events

Janmashtami special dance performances



Date: Sep 10
Time: 3 to 5 pm
Venue: Shri Krupa studio
Free admission; All are welcome

Ganesh Chathurthi special dance performances



Date: Sep 23
Time: 4 to 6 pm
Venue: Shri Krupa studio
Free admission
All are welcome

Gandharva Vidya Center Annual Rectal
Date: Sep30
Venue and Time: TBD
Please stay tuned for updates!

Please note: Summer schedule is now over! All classes are now being conducted at the usual times. (Mantra and Vedika classes will be combined at Sunday 12 pm)

InFocus

A glorious summer season comes to an end

Spectacular Arangetrams, Soulful Margams and Scintillating Dance Dramas

Summer of 2023 closed on August 20 after featuring four arangetrams, two Margam performances and two grand dance drama productions - Gita Govindam and Meenakshi Kalyanam. All the events were received with great appreciation by the audience.

The season marked the return of live music to Shri Krupa performances post the Covid era and the musicians from India added richness to all the performances and enhanced the experience for the audience.

It was a hectic few months at Shri Krupa as Guru Vishal Ji, the orchestra and the students all worked in packed schedules to pull off all the events with great success. Students from all levels participated in the two dance dramas, and the hard work of the ensemble translated into a visual treat onstage. The Shri Krupa fraternity rose to the occasion and greatly supported the dancers to make the season a grand success.

The school is now marching towards the festival season and Vijayadasami celebrations are just round the corner!

Check out the memories of this summer in pictures in this issue of the newsletter!!!

Parents and students are invited to signup here for volunteering for Vijayadasami celebrations this October! We also welcome any sponsorship for the event and any help in seeking sponsors.

Contact skdcdance@gmail.com for sponsorship details.

To enroll a new student, visit
shrikrupa.org/registration

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From the Artistic Director's Desk

Upcoming Vijayadasami celebrations

At any time you walk into the studio, we have a good crowd and excitement, often when one least expects it. It is as if we have entered a 'promised land' of productivity and belonging. Students are settling down to their regular routine although some forget and stick to their summer schedule. There is verve and vigor in the studio, whatever the class lessons may be. Some are excited to start anew while some others are bound to the old, hoping to finish a dance we have begun during summer. The new being snippets of 'Shiva Skandam' - a dance ballet based on Kalidasa's Kumara Sambhavam.

When I say snippets - each class is geared toward completing five minutes of scenes from this grand dance event, both to move the story line forward, as well as to give a glimpse of the grandeur of this production.

The music for this dance drama is ready to go and is as original as it can get - music composition and lyrics are our own poet's work. Ashok-ji has etched the stretch of this magnanimous mythological work, and our team in Chennai, along with Ashok-ji, have rendered the recording with embellishments of Jathis - very measured and appropriate to every scene.

Our Vijayadasami production should be sometime around October 24th and we had decided during our last board meeting that it will be held at the studio. However, my fervent hope is to stage it at a larger stage with more room for the audience. We will also have the Year's Highlights such as Italy production of two items - Penta Magic and 'Mazhai', scenes in brief from Meenakshi Kalyanam and Gita Govindam to add enhancement and rigor. NO ONE SHOULD MISS THIS EVENT! Please find out the date and venue and mark your calendars and be proud to attend NOT SOME OF IT, BUT ALL OF IT!

-Guru Vishal Ramani

Key Links

- Monthly Performance Series Signup Sheet
- Student/Parent Volunteer Signup Sheet
- Studio Rental for Students
- Yoga Classes Signup sheet
- Dance School Policy Handbook
- Music School Policy Handbook
- Festival performance signup sheet

Upcoming Timelines

- New Quarter Fees due Oct 10 - Any credit card updates to be done at Mindbody here
- Vijayadasami falls on Oct 24 - Don't miss out on receiving Guru Vishal Ji's blessings on this auspicious day
  - Vijayadasami performance around this day - Exact date and venue will be announced

Outgrew your dance costume? We invite you to drop off your used and in-fair-condition costumes at the studio.



Your donations will be made available to other students to buy at low cost.

The Summer At A Glance





Prisha and Stuti Pogde
Arangetram



Ananya Kamath
Margam





Poornima Chandramowli
Arangetram



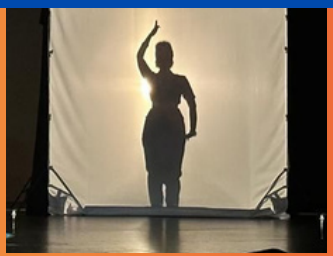


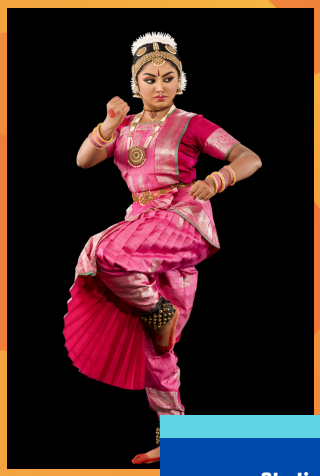
Ishaanvi Rajesh
Arangetram





Shathiya Rengalwar and
Saasha Kesavan Margam







Shalini Subramanian
Arangetram

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Gitagovindam

Aug 13 2023



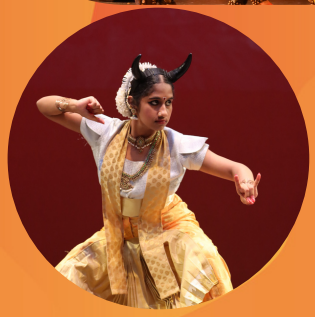

The Summer At A Glance
















Meenakshi
Kalyanam
Aug 20 2023




The School At A Glance

Don't forget to sign up for the student performance series at the studio! This is a great opportunity for students who want to showcase their newly learnt or an earlier item to an audience.

Sign up for the upcoming special festival performances for Janmashtami and Vinayaka Chathurthi here.

This year dance bells will be given to this class that has worked hard, despite their and the school's hectic summer schedules, and will soon be asked to obtain their bells and make arrangements for the date at school and date on stage. Congratulations MANTRA!

It is also worth mentioning that Vedika who received their bells last year have been getting a reinforcement of the step by step process of learning a Varnam, in an effort to help them step into their Preparatory classes.

Student Corner

To feature a student's art/literary work in Student Corner, email skdcdance@gmail.com

Quiz

? Which of these items that can be found in a Bharatanatyam recital is an invocatory piece whose name means 'to blossom', that is, opening of the body and limbs to get prepared to execute more difficult pieces to be taken up subsequently?

a. Pushpanjali
b. Alarippu
c. Shabdam
d. Jathiswaram

See next month's issue for answer

Answer to last month's quiz: Bharata Muni is the author of Natyashastra

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