

April, 27-30, 2017

CELEBRATING INDIAN DANCE IN AMERICA

Company: From the Horse's Mouth
Venue: Theater at the 14th Street Y
Location: New York, NY

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Mythili Prakash. Photo: Jorge Vismara



Surupa Sen & Bijayini Satpathy. Photo: Darial Snead



Aniruddha Knight. Photo: Lokvani

FROM THE HORSE'S MOUTH CELEBRATES INDIAN DANCE IN AMERICA - THEATER AT THE 14TH STREET Y - APRIL 27 through APRIL 30

Conceived and directed by Tina Croll & Jamie Cunningham; Curated by Rajika Puri

Aniruddha Knight, Hari Krishnan, Anita Ratnam To Join More Than 25 Artists

"From the Horse's Mouth" offers a special production showcasing Indian Dance in America: its history and the diversity of forms from Bharatanatyam to Bollywood.

Special Event - "A CENTURY OF INDIAN DANCE IN AMERICA 1906-2017" with Rajika Puri and fellow participants, Wednesday, April 26 at 6:30pm.

In celebration of the history and scope of Indian dance in America, [From the Horse's Mouth](#) will dedicate its next theater/dance performance event to this storied art form, including its early connections to Ruth St. Denis, Ted Shawn, Jack Cole, and the fascinating early Indian dancers in America Balasaraswati, Ragini Devi, Indrani, and many more. Live music will be included in this colorful tribute, curated by [Rajika Puri](#), doyenne of Indian Dance in NYC.

The weekend celebration, at 8pm on April 27, 28 and 29 and at 3pm on April 30, will include four performances of From the Horse's Mouth at the Theater at the 14th Street Y. Over 25 dancers, musicians, historians and choreographers of Indian dance will participate, ranging from pioneers to the current generation of dancers, exploring a range of Indian dance forms.

The production will also include a special event, *A Century of Indian Dance In America 1906-2017* with Rajika Puri and fellow participants, on Wednesday, April 26 at 6:30pm. This will include an overview with photo presentations of the pioneers since 1906 as also of the myriad forms of Indian dance introduced to the United States, followed by demonstrations of lesser known forms of Indian Dance like Shattriya (Assamese) dance, Mohiniyattam (Kerala), and Gujarati folk dance. PLUS a short look at Bollywood dance.

Rare film footage, videos and multimedia will enhance this edition of From the Horse's Mouth and its unique blending of movement and storytelling.

*Cast to include: Madhusmita Bora, Kamala Buchner, Uttara Coorlawala, Joe Daly, Parijat Desai, Angelina Haque, Mohip Joarder, Jeeno Joseph, Aniruddha Knight, Hari Krishnan, Julia Kulakova, Roopa Mahadevan (musician), Sruthi Mohan, Rajika Puri, Shobana Raghavan (musician), Anita Ratnam, Donia Salem, Sophia Salingaros, Bijayini Satpathy, Surupa Sen, Prashant Shah, Reena Shah, Kuldeep Singh Siddhu, Sonali Skandan, Sridhar, Vija Vatra, Jin Joung Won

This From the Horse's Mouth production is in association with the Dance Series at the 14th Street Y.

TICKETS - 14street.org/celebrationofindiandance

\$35 General Admission (Special: April 29 \$50 tickets also available as a Benefit for From The Horse's Mouth followed by Reception with Cast)

\$25 Seniors

\$20 Students and 14Y Members

\$5 "A Century of Indian Dance in America 1906-2017" with Rajika Puri - Free to 14th St Y Members

From the Horse's Mouth
344 East 14th St (between 1st and 2nd Avenues)
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<http://14street.org/celebrationofindiandance>

Schedule
April 27, 2017: 8:00pm
April 28, 2017: 8:00pm
April 29, 2017: 8:00pm
April 30, 2017: 3:00pm

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