

Sunday, May 20, 2018

Pratyaksha - Painting with Dance

Company: Aalokam
Venue: Dixon Place
Location: NY, NY

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On May 20 2018, seven strong, creative, independent women of the [Aalokam Dance Company](#) will push the boundaries of Bharatanatyam with their debut performance at Dixon Place. Titled Pratyaksha, which means perspective in Sanskrit, the performance uses classic Indian dance pieces to explore, experience and expose western art movements and art forms including cubism, impressionism and romanticism, among others.

Pratyaksha will feature five items that gradually progress in complexity and intensity thereby forming a traditional repertoire. The five dances include Alaripu, Jathiswaram, Varnam, Padam and Thillana. While they stay completely true to that art in terms of technique and narration, each of the five pieces uses movement and interaction between the dancers to bring alive the paintings of Monet, Picasso Van Gogh and the like. The dances will be set to a live music ensemble consisting of talented Indian musicians with several years of expertise.

The Aalokam Dance Company, led by [Bharathi Penneswaran and Jyotsna Kalyansundar](#), is part of Aalokam, an organization in New York City. This company came into being when seven like-minded, creatively charged and experienced Indian classical dancers found a common purpose: a drive and passion to push the boundaries of the Indian classical dance form and how it is perceived, both locally and globally.

Date - May 20, 2018

Time - 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM

Venue - [Dixon Place](#)

[Tickets on Eventbrite](#)

Website - [Aalokam](#)

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