

# Triveni

We - Sanjana Arun, Deepthi T. and Nayana Kumar – have been learning Bharathanatyam under the tutelage of Guru Smt. V. Mydhili for over 15 years, which has proved to be an enriching experience for us, at many levels. Even while being natives of Kerala, we have learned to appreciate the depth and beauty of the rich Tamil and Telugu languages, literature and culture. It is in fact, this deep respect and passion that we feel for the culture that has accentuated our knowledge about Bharathanatyam and brought us many steps closer to the artform. Also, we understand the eminent role played by the various Sabhas in maintaining the purity and sanctity of the culture and the artform. Naturally, our pride knows no boundaries as we are presented with an opportunity to showcase our talents and years of dedicated practice, at such a reputed Sabha, as Vipanchee. As a tribute of our respect and passion for the culture, we have mainly included Tamil and Telugu kritis in our performance, including the compositions of eminent poets like



Sri Subrahmania Bharathiyar. It is with the greatest pleasure that we invite you all to the Bharathanatyam Kutcheri on 21<sup>st</sup> Dec, R. K. Ramaswamy Auditorium, Mylapore at 6.00 pm conducted by Vipanchee Sabha. We sincerely hope that you enjoy watching our performance as much as we enjoy performing for you.

About us: Deepthi is a post graduate student in Actuarial Science, while Sanjana and Nayana are Engineering graduates.

All three dancers are graded Doordarshan artists and have to their credit, performances at many coveted venues including Brahma Gana Sabha, Naadabrahmam Sabha, Bharat Kalachar, Chidambaram Dance Festival, Soorya Festival, Swati Tirunal Sangeetha Sabha, Navarathri Festival and Nishagandhi Dance Festival.

'Midhilalaya Dance Academy', situated at Trivandrum, was established by Guru Smt. V. Mydhili in 1983. Midhilalaya uplifts the talents in young students in the field of classical dance and music, by giving them guidance and training in the fields of Bharatanatyam, Mohiniyattom and Kuchipudi.

Guru Smt. V. Mydhili is one among the most respected Bharatanatyam exponent of recent times. The multitude of roles which she play – an artist who thoroughly appreciates the beautiful framework of the art; a choreographer who is not averse to experiments, whose horizons expand dynamically; a disciplined Guru who ensures that her students imbibe in themselves, the richness of each and every element of the art; a dutiful citizen who addresses grave social issues through the powerful medium of art; a rasika who instills in her students, a deep love and respect for the art and for the rich culture which contributed to the growth of the art – goes a long way in propagating the art form.

She has been awarded the "Kaisiki Puraskar" from the Kerala Sangeetha Nataka Academy for her service to the field of art, during the year 2002.



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