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# THE UDAY SHANKAR HINDU DANCERS and MUSICIANS

TUESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 29, 1968, AT 8:30 Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor, Michigan

# Dancers

UDAY SHANKAR SANTI BOSE SADHAN GUHA DHURJATI SEN RANGOPAL BHATTACHARYA SHARMISTHA GUHA JHARNA DUTTA SREEMATI DUTT SUNANDA SEN GUPTA PRANATI SEN GUPTA SHIKHA MUKHERJEE PALI SANYAL SHIKHA MITRA ANUPAMA DAS ANJU NATH SHEFALI GHOSH TAPATI MUKHERJEE JANA GUPTA BHAYA

# Musicians

KAMALESH MAITRA BARUN DUTT KISHOR GHOSH VISHNU DAS SADHUKHAN RAMESH CHANDRA GOLAK SEAL RANJITMULL KANKARIA BHUDEB SHANKAR KRISHNA GUPTA SARALA DEVI KANKARIA

ARS LONGA VITA BREVIS

# PROGRAM

Musical Introduction-Raga: Mohan-Kosh (Evening Melody) Soloist: Kamalesh Maitra (Sarod). Assisted by: Barun Dutt (Drum); Kishor Ghosh (Sitar); Vishnudas Sadhukhan (Flute); Ramesh Chandra (Esraj); Miss Krishna Gupta (Vocal and Percussion); Golak Seal (Gong and Percussion) Deva-Dasis-Dance of the Temple Girls from South India Traditional Dance arranged by: Guru Gyanaprakasam of Uday Shankar India Culture Centre. Anupama Das, Shikha Mitra, Pali Sanyal, Jana Gupta Bhaya, Anju Nath, Shefali Ghosh, Tapati Mukherjee Madia—Aboriginal Folk Dance of Central India Sadhan Guha, Dhurjati Sen, Sharmistha Guha, Sunanda Sen Gupta, Sreemati Dutt, Shikha Mukherjee, Jharna Dutta The golden son of Shiva, born to command the army of Suras (demi gods) and slay the demon Taraka, comes to make obeisance to his parents and other gods to win their blessings before the fight with the demon. Kartikeya summons his chariot and rides to Taraka's realm. Finding no one there, he roars out his challenge through the void which surrounds him. Laiharoba—Invocation of Lord Shiva Traditional Manipuri style arranged by Guru Tarun Kumar Singh of Uday Shankar Indian Culture Centre. Anupama Das, Shikha Mitra, Pali Sanyal, Jana Gupta Bhaya, Anju Nath, Shefali Ghosh Astra Puja—A War Dance Sharmistha Guha, Jharna Dutta, Sunanda Sen Gupta, Sreemati Dutt, Santi Bose, Dhurjati Sen, Sadhan Guha, Ramgopal Bhattacharya INTERMISSION Prakriti and Ananda—Dance Drama (The Entire Company) The Mother: PRANATI SEN GUPTA Prakriti: JHARNA DUTTA Ananda: SADHAN GUHA The ballet opens with young girls and boys dancing to welcome Spring. Prakriti, a girl of the untouchable caste, wants to join them but is spurned. A card seller and a bangle-seller are warned not to sell to her as she is an untouchable. Broken-hearted, she refuses to offer flowers to a god that has made her an untouchable, but is made happy when a passing procession of Buddhist monks do not seem to mind her caste. Prakriti is filling her jug with water from a well when Ananda, a disciple of Lord Buddha appears and asks for water. Prakriti reveals her caste but Ananda tells her that they are both human and takes water from her. Prakriti falls in love with Ananda and requests her mother, a witch, to use her magic powers to bring Ananda back. The mother calls her disciples to join her magic rituals

and requests one of them to bring a magic mirror to observe the effects of the magic upon Ananda. The disciple at first refuses, as she knows the evil effects of the mirror can produce death, but is compelled to bring the mirror. Prakriti looks into the mirror and sees the agonies the magic is causing Ananda. The mother's witchcraft brings wind, rain, storm and thunder, and finally Ananda appears. The mother, exhausted by her magic rituals, dies. Ananda is on the verge of losing himself to Prakriti when the mighty power of Lord Buddha recalls him to his spiritual life.

#### INTERMISSION

### Musical Interlude—Tabla Taranga—Raga: Barsha Bahar Kamalesh Maitra

Gujarti Folk Dance—Folk Dance of Western India Sharmistha Guha, Jharna Dutta, Sunanda Sen Gupta, Sreemati Dutt, Santi Bose, Dhurjati Sen, Sadhan Guha, Ramgopal Bhattacharya

#### Sari

Traditional Kathakali style of the Malabar Coast arranged by Guru P. Raghavan of Uday Shankar India Culture Centre Anupama Das, Shikha Mitra, Pali Sanyal, Jana Gupta Bhaya, Anju Nath, Shefali Ghosh, Tapati Mukherjee

#### Punjabi—Folk Dance of Punjab

Santi Bose, Dhurjati Sen, Sadhan Guha, Ramgopal Bhattacharya, Pranati Sen Gupta, Sunanda Sen Gupta, Sreemati Dutt, Jharna Dutta, Shikha Mukherjee, Sharmistha Guha

# STAFF FOR UDAY SHANKAR

Ballet Master	SANTI BOSE
Music Director	KAMALESH MAITRA
Master Drummer	BARUN DUTT
Registrar	SUNANDA SEN GUPTA
Costume Supervision	SHARMISTHA GUHA
Electric and Property	GOLAK SEAL
Stage Manager	CHIRANJILAL SHAH
Personal Manager	BHUDEB SHANKAR

# UNIVERSITY MUSICAL SOCIETY

INTERNATIONAL PRESENTATIONS-1968-1969

# Rackham Auditorium

MELOS ENSEMBLE, from London Thursday, November	7
Program: Adagio and Rondo	
Piano Quintet, Op. 57 SHOSTAKOVICH	
Contrasts for Clarinet, Violin, and Piano BARTÓK	
Quintet in E-flat for Piano and Winds MOZART	
JANET BAKER, English Mezzo-Soprano Sunday, January	5
MUSIC FROM MARLBORO Saturday, February	
ISRAEL CHAMBER ORCHESTRA Monday, February 1	10
COLOGNE CHAMBER ORCHESTRA Saturday, February 2	
ORCHESTRA MICHELANGELO DI FIRENZE . Sunday, March 2	23
Tickets: \$5.00-\$4.00-\$3.00	

## **Hill Auditorium**

BIRGIT NILSSON, Soprano . . . . Thursday, November 14 Program: Arias and lieder by Wagner, Schubert, Richard Strauss, Sibelius, Melartin, Grieg, and Catalani. YEHUDI MENUHIN, Violinist, and

HEPHZIBAH MENUHIN, *Pianist* . . (2:30) Sunday, November 24 GREGG SMITH SINGERS . . . . (2:30) Sunday, January 12 HAGUE PHILHARMONIC . . . . . . . . Friday, January 24 WILLEM VAN OTTERLOO, *Conductor* ALVIN AILEY AMERICAN DANCE THEATRE, Saturday, February 8

"CARMEN" (Goldovsky Opera Co.) . . (8:00) Saturday, February 15 BALLET FOLKLORICO OF MEXICO . . Wednesday, February 26 RUDOLF SERKIN, *Pianist* . . . . . . . Wednesday, March 5 MOSCOW STATE SYMPHONY . . . . . . . Thursday, March 13 *Tickets:* \$6.00-\$5.50-\$5.00-\$4.00-\$3.00-\$2.00

(Tickets at \$6.00 and \$4.00 sold out for "Carmen", Serkin, and the Menuhins)

Annual **MESSIAH** Performances

In Hill Auditorium—December 6, 7, 8 (2:30)

UNIVERSITY CHORAL UNION, INTERLOCHEN ARTS ACADEMY ORCHESTRA, SUSAN BELLING, Soprano; ELIZABETH MANNION, Contralto; HENRY NASON, Tenor; DAVID CLATWORTHY, Bass; LESTER MCCOY, Conductor Tickets: \$3:00-\$1.00-\$1.00

Programs begin at 8:30 P.M. unless otherwise indicated.

1969 ANN ARBOR MAY FESTIVAL—April 24, 25, 26, 27 (5 concerts). Philadelphia Orchestra; Eugene Ormandy, Conductor; Thor Johnson, Guest Conductor. Orders for series tickets accepted beginning December 1.

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