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> **Odissi workshop and Performance by Padmashree Ms Ranjana Gauhar**



On 13 July, GICC reached out to all its dance students through a workshop on General Abhinaya conducted by renowned Odissi exponent Padmashree Ms Ranjana Gauhar.

Almost 50 GICC students of Bharathanatyam, Odissi and Kathak participated enthusiastically in the workshop, a wonderful opportunity for the students to learn Abhinaya from Ms Gauhar. GICC dance teachers were also present to encourage their students. Ms Gauhar engaged all dance participants with her rich expertise and the interaction became a valuable lesson for the GICC dancers. The accompanying musicians added vibrancy to the workshop. The GICC dancers enjoyed the wonderful and memorable training with Ms Gauhar.

May 15 brought forth a mesmerizing performance by Ms Gauhar and her team. The middle school students in the audience watched the performance with rapt attention.

> **Hindustani Music Workshop by Ms Suman Devgan**



Ms Suman Devgan is a versatile artist with a mellifluous and rich voice that has made an indelible mark in light

classical Hindustani music. GICC organised a workshop for the Hindustani vocal music students. It was a unique experience for them being trained to popular light classical songs with live music. GICC music teachers were also present for the workshop.

➤ Performance by Global Rhythms' students at the Singapore National Day Celebrations



Ten students of GICC Global Rhythms dance class performed two folk dances- Rajasthani and Kashmiri -as part of the Singapore National Day celebrations organised by the Queenstown CC on 12th August. The students put up wonderful performances and won great appreciation from the audience. **LTC David Chow Tai Wei**, Head Operations, 3rd CD Division, Singapore Civil Defence Force and leading member of the organising team was very appreciative of the GICC dance team performance, "On behalf of the National Day Dinner Working

Committee, we will like to register our gratitude and appreciation for responding to our request to put up not one, but two items during the dinner. Your students put up a superb performance, and we do receive very positive feedback from guests as well as other performing groups on the professional standard of your performers. Once again, we thank you for your continued support, and looking forward to future collaboration with your school "



➤ Four Students selected for National level classical dance competition Salangai Oli 2011

GICC students, Akshara Maran , Vaishalee Rajaraman ,Adhyanesha Nedumaran and Swathi Ramesh , 6th year Bharathanatyam dance students of Ms Srilakshmi and Ms Shobinya made it through auditions to compete in Salangai Oli, a national level classical dance competition in Singapore telecast on Vasantham Central TV channel.

➤ Performances at Sri Muneeswaran temple as part of the Mandalabhishegham celebrations



Students of Carnatic vocal music and Bharathanatyam performed as part of the Mandalabhishegham celebrations at Sri Muneeswaran temple in Commonwealth Drive. The performances lasted for 1hr 30 min and commenced with a violin performance by students of Ms Srividya followed by vocal performances by students of Mr Saravanan and Ms Srividya. This was followed by eight classical dance performances by students of teachers Ms Srilakshmi, Ms Shobinya and Ms Atira.

➤ Global Rhythms students perform at Tanglin CC on 20th August

The students of GICC Global Rhythms dance class performed 2 folk dances at CLAP (Community Life, Art Programme) organised by Tanglin CC on 20th August as part of community service. The performers deserve special mention as the Tanglin CC organising team members had witnessed their wonderful performance at the Queenstown CC programme and extended a special invitation to the GICC team to join them.

GICC applauds all its student performers and recognizes their contribution as promising artists in the performing arts scene of Singapore.

> Odissi students perform at Esplanade on 29th August



GICC Odissi dance students performed at the Esplanade on 29th August, 2011 as part of Onam Nite celebrations. Teacher Ms Jyoti along with her senior students performed a dance titled Laasya, devotion or Bhakti being the essence of the dance. The dance was a rendition of Geeta Govinda, a treatise written in 12th century in Orissa by poet Jayadev in temples across Kerala, India.

> GICC students Shruthika bags Second Prize in OKTO Junior Ambassador Contest

GICC student Shruthika Bharghavan, reached the finals in the OKTO Junior Ambassador contest after competing with hundreds of children in the preliminary rounds. The finals were held on Sunday, 4th September at the MediaCorp Television studios where Shruthika bagged the 2nd prize in the competition. She was trained under the able guidance of Teacher Ms Jenifer Peter.



Upcoming Events:

Navaratri Performances :

1. 28th September - GICC students will perform at Tank Road Murugan Temple from 8.45pm to 9.30m
2. 30th September - GICC Students will perform at Sri Veeramakaliamman Temple from 8pm to 9.30pm
3. 1st October - GICC students will perform at Sri Muneeswaran Temple from 8pm to 9.30pm
4. 6th October - Vijayadashami Puja (Vidyarambham)

2012

1. Papanasam Sivan Music & Dance Competition - 28th Jan 2012
2. Thyagaraja Aradhana Festival - 29th Jan 2012

PERFORMING ARTS

Carnatic Vocal
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Hindustani Vocal
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Bharathanatyam
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Odissi
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Kathak
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Contemporary Dance
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Indian Keyboard
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Mridangam
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Tabla
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LANGUAGES

Hindi
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Sanskrit
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Malayalam
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French
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Mandarin
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Japanese
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SPORTS AND GAMES

Cricket
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Gymnastics
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TaeKwonDo
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Tennis
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YOGA

Hatha Yoga
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FINE ARTS

Visual Arts
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Single Stroke Painting
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Rangoli
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DRAMA AND PRODUCTION

Speech and Drama
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Shloka Chanting
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Public Speaking
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Violin

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