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## Chakra - Circle of Life

Saturday May 11th, 2024, Radnor Middle School

## 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Dance Recital celebrating 20 years





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We welcome you to 'Chakra-Circle of life' our 19th annual dance recital, and our homage to cross-cultural journeys of life, from childhood to adulthood. The first act will showcase pure Bharatanatyam, a dance form that originated in the temples of India and dates back to 3,000 years. The second act will focus on Navanritya, an open-ended contemporary synthesis of Indian classical dances, Western ballet, yoga, folk dances, and martial arts. This style was created by Anwesha's Gurus, the late Dr. Manjushri Chaki-Sircar and late Dr. Ranjabati Sircar and is continuously evolving.

Our dancers			
Snowflakes (1st year)	Little Angels (2nd year)		
Nora Shah Kaavya Patel	Aarushi Desai		
Ella Welch Anya Patel	Rachael Thomas		
Aashana Patel Paavani Patel	Avni Yavagal		
Dea Sahay Pari Patel	Aarya Modi		
Amaira Gupta Krisha Patel	Soushree Halder		
Shyla Shah Nikisha Patel	Saanya Ajmera		
Krina Patel	Smiti Rali		
	Meera Walavalkar		
Dancing Fairies (5th year)	Sunflowers (6.5 years)		
Anushree Ingle	Arianna Desai		
Alyssa Varghese	Ahna Arora		
Dyuti T Sriprasad	Ziya Abraham		
Siddhita Saha	Leah Varghese		
Kavya Nachiappan	Ava Thomas		
Rashmi Pandurangi	Sayali Tambe		
Anya Thomas	Rayah Ganguly		
Anya Kapoor			
Faculty:	Mirage (10+ years/Advanced)		
Anwesha Dutta: Managing Director, Deloitte	Maya Rahman, Solo Debut 2014		
Health Strategy Consulting; Artistic Director	Aratrika Das, Solo Debut 2022		
NNDA & President & Co-Founder, Ray of Hope,	Savina Copas, Solo Debut 2022		
Board Member Inglis & Karma Health	Himani Patel, Solo Debut 2022		
Anitha Kannan: Life Cycle Assessment Engineer	Chitra Verma		
- R&D, TerraCycle;	Juliana Ghosh, Solo Debut 2023		
<b>Dr. Grishma Rali,</b> Pediatrician, CHOP	Aleena Thomas		
Maya Rahman: Scientist & Technical Sales	Asha Paul		
Specialist, Gamry Instruments	Vinaya Venkat, Debut 2023		
Guest Lecturer: Shri Sanjib Bhattacharya	Dr. Meera Patel		
(Manipuri, Chhau martial arts & Navanritya	Srijani Saha		
teacher)	Mahee Patel		
	Snaha Paul		
	Mahi Vaghela		
	Dr. Grishma Rali		
Alumni dancers:	Garba dancers: Guest Dance Moms		
Anika Jagasia, Anjali Menon, Carolyn Thomas,	Anitha Kannan, Dr. Grishma Rali, Krishna		
Maya Rahman, Dr. Neena Singh, Nikita Rao,	Chauhan, Nikisha Patel, Payal Patel, Rashmi		
Nishitha Kannan, Oishy Deb, Pratibha	Pandurangi, Shital Patel, Shivangi Shah, Dr.		
Keshavamurthy, Puja Saha, Saanvi Bhatia, Sanjana	Shuktara Das, Snehal Patel, Tanushree Banerjee,		

Anwesha Dutta, Dr. Meera Shah, Seema Verma;

Choregraphed by Snehal Patel

Jayaram, Shreya Thakkar, Shubhda Roy, Sridevi

Jakka, Dr. Vandana Pathak, Madhura Dahale

Chapter of life	Dance item	Group	Language	
Swagat - Welcome	Pushpanjali and Vandana	Mirage, Sunflowers & Alumni	Hindi, Tamil, Sanskrit & Marathi	
Bala - Childhood	Bala Ganapathi	Little Angels	Telugu & Hindi	
	Mayur Nritya	Snowflakes	Gujarati	
	Ave Maria	Dancing Fairies & Sunflowers	Malayalam	
	Sahachari	Little Angels	Bengali	
	Jathiswaram	Dancing Fairies		
Yuva - Youth	Lord Muruga Kavuthuam	Mirage	Tamil	
	Shabdam: Lord Jesus	Sunflowers	Tamil	
	Graduating seniors: friendship and community	Chitra, Asha, Savina & Himani		
Yodha- Young Adult	Thillana & Mangalam	Mirage & alumni	Sanskrit & Gujarati	
Act 2 - Navanritya & Indian Folk Dances				
Yodha- Young Adult	She-roes: Mary Kom and Simone Biles*	Mirage	English	
Yodha- Young Adult	Post arangetram solos: Cleopatra: Carolyn Thomas, Girls Ant Manathil Urudhi Vendum: Vinaya Ve & Erev Shel Shoshanim: Juliana Ghos	Marathi, Tamil, Hebrew		
Praudha - Adult	Jataka Tales: The Wicked Prince & Kind	Sunflowers	English	
Prema- Love	William Shakespeare & Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore's world of romance	Mirage and Sunflowers, led by Aratrika Das and Savina Copas	Bengali & Sanskrit	
Vivaha - Marriage	Malai Matrinal	Dancing Fairies	Tamil	
Parivar- Family	Kurathi - Gypsy folk dance	Little Angels		
Parivar- Family	Janmasthami – celebrating birth	Snowflakes and mom guest dancers	Hindi & Gujarati	
Moksha - Salvation	Mahabharata: Pandavas' ascent to heaven	Dancing Fairies	English	
Moksha - Salvation	Trishnaro Shanti & Long Live**	Mirage and all dancers	Bengali & English	

*Inglis, Philadelphia:* Inglis is committed to helping disabled individuals live independently, through its various programs, such as Assistive Tech, which is proudly supported by ROH for many years.

Ray of Hope is a non-profit organization supporting multiple programs in India and the USA, focused on healthcare

technology, and empowerment and education for underprivileged families:

girls.

to underserved rural patients. ROH funds one clinic in Rajasthan, serving 35,000 villagers in Lasadiya district near Udaipur.

Karma Healthcare, Udaipur, India: Karma runs 50+ nurse assisted e-health clinics to virtually connect doctors

**Bal Utsav, Bangalore, India:** Bal Utsav supports innovation in infrastructure, education, and hygiene in government schools. ROH provides funds for menstrual hygiene supplies and one free OB GYN visit per year for 1023

We have been able to raise more than \$620k+ to support the Ray of Hope causes through our annual dance recitals and other events including 5k walks/runs, themed dinners, yoga/dance fitness sessions, cooking shows, bag bingo, mixology classes, clothing drives and holiday gift wrapping to benefit these causes.

We couldn't do this without all of you! Thank you for your tremendous support and contributions. Please feel free to reach out to your network to have them join this wonderful cause. We look forward to seeing you at our events: www.letsgivehope.org

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