



MOKSH COMMUNITY ARTS & NAACH HOUSTON
PRESENT



HOUSTON'S GOT BOLLYWOOD 2024

ONCE UPON A TIME

TO HAPPILY EVER AFTER &
EVERYTHING ELSE IN BETWEEN...



CONCEIVED & DIRECTED
BY
MAHESH MAHBUBANI

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MILLER OUTDOOR THEATRE
6000 HERMANN PARK DRIVE, HOUSTON



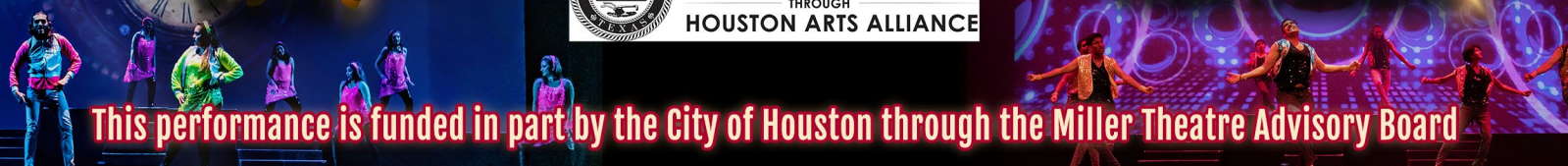
SATURDAY, APRIL 13
8:15 PM



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MOKSH COMMUNITY ARTS INC

A 501(c)3 organization



Moksh Community Arts Inc , a non profit organization 501 c (3) formed in Feb 2016 with the purpose:

To engage the community in collaboration with artists from diverse social and cultural backgrounds in using dance to provide opportunities for:

- Physical, mental and emotional wellness, self discipline and commitment
- Team work
- Respect for differences through varied dance forms
- Enhanced self esteem and positive self image
- Leadership through dance

Vision

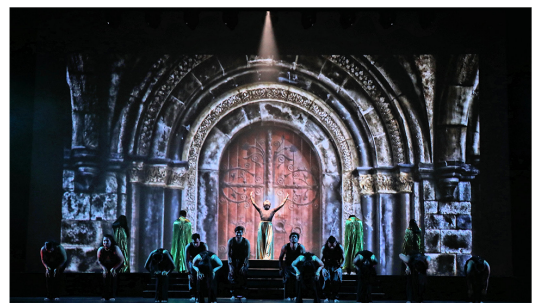
To make Dance an integral part of life for all individuals within the context of a community inclusive of all social and cultural backgrounds.

Philosophy

We believe in the transformative power of dance, to integrate the body and mind for total wellness. Through dance we intend to create a holistic experience in every participant and thereby impact the larger community.

Mission

To create and provide performance platforms through community dance theater performances aimed at the physical, mental, emotional and social wellbeing of adults and children.



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Director's Note

On Behalf of the Moksh Community Arts Board, President- Dr Manish Rungta, Vice President – Malay Vyas, Secretary- Nithya Venkatesan & Board Member Disha Thadani, I am proud to announce the 7th production from Moksh Community Arts Inc at the Miller Outdoor Theatre

We are grateful to the City of Houston & the Miller Theatre Advisory board for providing amazing performances each year free of cost to diverse audiences in Houston.

At Moksh Community Arts our primary goal is to provide a performance platform to nurture local talent and help them develop as individuals, through creativity, commitment, and cooperation. We work as cultural ambassadors collaborating with other dance, theatre and music companies from diverse social and cultural backgrounds

This year's production titled Once upon a time to happily ever after (and everything else in between...) is a Bollywood Dance Theatre performance, inspired by fairytales that run parallel to real life stories about human relationships, through diverse genres of music, dance, and costumes. Bollywood is a melting pot of global influences creating something that is uniquely Indian.

The production is a musical journey with exuberant costumes, innovative choreography, and foot tapping melodies, energetic performers, & mesmerizing visuals. The production includes an overture and four mesmerizing acts that take you on a magical journey into the colorful world of fairytales, and its many facets, with stylish, colorful, and exuberant costumes, mind-blowing visuals and lighting, energetic dancers with dramatic & electrifying performances, filling your heart with joy and making you want to dance to the lilting melodies and irresistible Bollywood songs

As an Artistic Director at Naach Houston, my work is to nurture local talent by sharing my life experience, in the field of dance and performing arts, passing it down to the new generation, and providing performance platforms to showcase their talent. Naach is more than a Dance Institution, we use dance as a means to empower individuals providing the best Dance Education in Houston, the only syllabus-based Bollywood dance Institution, covering diverse dance styles from Contemporary, Hip Hop, Indo Jazz, Latin and Bollywood Fusion.

The NAACH team has performed for social causes partnering with nonprofits such as Texana, Pratham and Daya, as well as graced the dance floor at corporate events for Fluor, KBR and AAHOA, just to name a few. Naach has performed with superstars as Bappi Lahiri, Richa Sharma, Raghav and Farhan Akhtar. Naach Houston has been collaboration with Traci Green from the Culture Arts Initiative since 2018, performing for the production of The Urban Nutcracker and performances for Discovery Green since 2019

We Thank our sponsors for their generous contribution - the Asrani group, AIG and CoreBridge Financial.

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I am grateful to the Universe and God for allowing me to the opportunity to co create with the Community.

Thank you!

Love,

Mahesh Mahbubani

CEO - Moksh Community Arts Inc

Artistic Director/Founder - Naach Houston Inc

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The Team

MOKSH COMMUNITY ARTS INC.

President ~ Dr. Manish Rungta
C.E.O. ~ Mahesh Mahbubani
Vice President ~ Malay Vyas
Secretary ~ Nithya Venkatesan
CPA ~ Dr. Manoj Nair
Board Member ~ Disha Thadani

NAACH HOUSTON

Artistic Director ~ Mahesh Mahbubani
Choreography ~ Mahesh Mahbubani
Assistant Choreographers ~ Hirsh Chavan,
Ariyana Patel & Krish & Jiya Singh
Dance Captains ~ Gayatri Choudhari, Vinoo
Palicha, Ariyana Patel, Hirsh Chavan
Backstage Manager ~ Mahesh Mahbubani &
Disha Thadani
Visuals, Sound & Lighting Design ~ Mahesh
Mahbubani
Graphics & Web Design ~ Anita Vyas
Costumes ~ Bipin Tanna, Mumbai & Styled
by Mahesh Mahbubani

Photography ~ Navin Mediwala & Thiru T.A.

Conceived & Directed by Mahesh Mahbubani

Press Publicity ~ India Herald

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MOT TECHNICAL TEAM

Shawn Hauptmann
Brian Evans
Marc Wilson
Nicole Young
Cliff Presswood

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Overview of the Show

Overture

The performance opens to an overture, a collective invocation to all life

Act One: The Gateway

This act introduces all the characters in this story. It's the beginning, a place where beautiful adventures start

Act Two: In the Garden of Earthly Delights

Our story journeys to explore the magic of friendships and relationships in love.

Act Three: Desires & Disappointments

Love and its multiple manifestations, expressing love, loss and surrender.

Act Four: Fulfillment & Freedom

The finale act showcasing the resolution to rise above and move forward.

Performing Artistes

PRE TEENS

ARYA CHAVAN
HEER DHADALWALA
HIYA THAKKAR
ISHA VADLAMANI
KEYA PARIKH
KRISHA RAJ
MYAH RICHARDS

TEENS

ADITI MOOTHEZHATH
ARIYANA PATEL
ESHA PATEL
HASINI NAREDDY
HIRSH CHAVAN
JIYA SINGH
MYRA MARUBOYINA
NIDHI VANKADARU
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NAACH'S SUMMER SIZZLE DANCE CAMP



The Pioneers in Bollywood Fusion and
Bollywood Contemporary Dance classes
for kids, pre-teens, teens and adults.

For Summer 2024 Enrollment info &
Schedule of classes

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