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Conceived & Directed

Mahesh Mahbubani



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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 though 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.













HOUSTON'S GOT BOLLYWOOD



Director's Note

On behalf of the Moksh Community Arts Board—President Dr. Manish Rungta, Vice President Malay Vyas, Secretary Nithya Venkatesan, and Board Member Disha Thadani—I am proud to announce the 8th production from Moksh Community Arts Inc. at the Miller Outdoor Theatre.

We are grateful to the City of Houston, Houston Arts Alliance, and the Miller Theatre Advisory Board for supporting incredible performances each year, free of cost, for Houston's diverse audiences.

At Moksh Community Arts, our mission is to provide a performance platform that nurtures local talent, fostering creativity, commitment, and collaboration. As cultural ambassadors, we engage with dance, theatre, and music companies from diverse backgrounds, enriching the artistic landscape.

This year's production, Love in the Stars, is a Bollywood dance theatre experience—Houston's Got Bollywood: Love in the Stars—a romantic journey through the planets. Inspired by astrology and its planetary influences, this vibrant production weaves a tale of love through dance. Featuring stunning costumes from Mumbai, mesmerizing lighting and visuals, and a dynamic cast of 50 multi-generational performers, the show brings creative choreography set to electrifying Bollywood melodies.

Divided into four acts, the production takes audiences on a magical journey, combining colorful costumes, breathtaking visuals, and high-energy performances. Each act showcases the dynamic essence of Bollywood, filling hearts with joy and inspiring audiences to dance along.

This performance is brought to life by Naach Houston, the pioneering Bollywood Dance Theatre Company. As Artistic Director of Naach Houston, my passion is to nurture local talent, sharing my experience in dance and performing arts with the next generation while providing them with platforms to showcase their abilities.

Naach is more than a dance institution—it is a space where individuals develop essential life skills such as communication, time management, self-discipline, teamwork, and leadership. We provide Houston's premier syllabus-based Bollywood dance education, covering diverse styles including Contemporary, Hip-Hop, Indo-Jazz, Latin, and Bollywood Fusion.

The Naach team has performed for various social causes in partnership with nonprofits such as Texana, Pratham, and Daya, as well as at corporate events for Fluor, KBR, and AAHOA. We have shared the stage with stars like Bappi Lahiri, Richa Sharma, Raghav, and Farhan Akhtar. Since 2018, Naach Houston has collaborated with Traci Green of the Cultural Arts Initiative, performing in *The Urban Nutcracker* and at Discovery Green from 2019 to 2023.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to our sponsors—WellMed, the Asrani Group, AIG, CoreBridge Financial, and Level Construction (Dipul & Brinda Patel). This performance is funded by the City of Houston through the Miller Theatre Advisory Board.

I am deeply grateful to the universe and God for the opportunity to co-create with this incredible community.

Thank you!

Love,

Mahesh Mahbubani

CEO - Moksh Community Arts Inc Artistic Director/Founder - Naach Houston Inc



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

Choreography ~ Mahesh Mahbubani Assistant Choreographers ~ Ariyana Patel, Krish & Jiya Singh, Esha patel, Ria Aggarwal, Nidhi Vankadaru, Anita Vyas Backstage Manager ~ Mahesh Mahbubani Visuals, Sound & Lighting Design ~ Mahesh Mahbubani **Graphics & Web Design** ~ Anita Vyas Costumes ~ Bipin Tanna (Mumbai) Bijoux Networx & Styled by Mahesh Mahbubani **Photography** ~ Thiru T.A.

Artistic Director ~ Mahesh Mahbubani

Conceived, Choreographed & Directed by Mahesh Mahbubani

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BOLLYWOOD

Overview of the Show

HOUSTON'S GOT BOLLYWOOD ~ LOVE IN THE STARS

A Romantic Journey Through the Planets

A Bollywood-style dance theatre production inspired by astrology and its planetary influences, weaving a mesmerizing tale of love. This spectacular show features lavish costumes Act Three ~ Lessons, Trials, and from Mumbai—the heart of Bollywood—along Tribulations with stunning lighting, breathtaking visuals, and a cast of 50 dynamic, multi-generational performers. With creative choreography set to electrifying melodies, the production promises separation between the two souls. an unforgettable experience.

Act One ~ The Universe

A celebration of human existence, introducing reunite, guided by destiny, in a the story's characters.

- The Sun representing male energy
- The Moon embodying female energy

Act Two ~ The Soul Connection

Exploring the deep soul connection between two individuals as their romantic journey unfolds within the grand landscape of life.

A reflection of the challenges posed by conflicting planetary configurations, manifesting as trials and moments of

Act Four ~ Divine Union

Overcoming all obstacles, the lovers triumphant celebration of love.

Performing Artistes

Anisha Sarma Anya Shah Aanya Shah Keya Pandit Nikhil Sanghani Riva Shah Shiven Naik Veer Singh

Ameya Shanker Arya Chavan Heer Dhadalwala Hiya Thakkar Isha Verma Isha Vadlamani Keya Parikh

Krisha Raj Myah Richards Ariyana Patel Esha Patel Hasini Nareddy Krish Singh Jiya Singh Myra Maruboyina Nidhi Vankadaru Ria Aggarwal Sarah Luka Sajan Sanghani Sai Chamarthi

Amola Shah Anita Vyas

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Summer Camp I: May 5 - June 1

(4 weeks, once weekly)

Summer camp II: June 2 - June 29

(4 weeks, twice weekly)

Summer camp III: July 7 - Aug 3

(4 weeks, twice weekly)

For Summer 2025 Enrollment info & Schedule of classes

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