

LINE-UP

Chhandam Youth Dance Company*

Intricate footwork and lightning fast *chakara* spins punctuate this Kathak dance entitled Uttaraakaala, or future, enjoying live musical accompaniment by two Bay Area masters, and created specially for the 30th Anniversary *Festival* by Pandit Chitresh Das, who performed in the first *Festival* in 1978.

Hiyas Philippine Folk Dance Company

The frenzied, scurried movements of the mud crab; the swinging of fisherman's oil lamps; the tossing of the fish basket; and the careful movements of the long-legged Tikling bird are all recreated in this suite of rural dances originating from the Philippine coastal communities.

YaoYong Dance

Where there is water, there is life, and *The Big River* celebrates the bounty along its banks and its seasonal changes through the Yang-Ge dance styles and the traditional red ribbon dance, accompanied by a spectacular orchestra of guest musicians from China.

* Performing a World Premiere Piece

◆ Commissioned for the 30th Anniversary

ABADÁ-Capoeira San Francisco Performance Troupe

The *Spirit of Brasil* highlights each of capoeira's unique genres, including three capoeira duets and a full company piece incorporating acrobatics, dance, percussion and songs in a rhythmic dialogue of body, mind and spirit.

Fuego Nuevo Ballet Folklorico Mexicano

Originating in the state of Veracruz, these traditional dances of courtship and romance represent a mix of Spanish, Flamenco and African rhythm influences.

Gadung Kasturi

A full Balinese Gamelan musical accompaniment sets the tone for this famous ritual drama, as forces of good and evil engage in conflict in the *Tari Topeng Telek* masked dance.

CollageWest Dance Theatre

Anatolia delights with a wedding celebration dance, offering a medley of seven regions and dance styles from Turkey to represent its diverse ethnic cultures.

Halau 'o Keikiali'i*

A hula halau thirty strong takes the stage to offer a love song to the healer of land; a prayer honoring the shark deity; and a rare performance of a sacred Hula Pahu—an ancient prophecy from a high priest of turbulent times ahead.

Alafia Dance Ensemble

A re-enactment of the Battle of Vertières—the last Haitian revolution fought before winning independence from France—is portrayed in this dance of empowerment, culminating in victory and the spirit of a country reborn. Guest artists will showcase Bay Area dance lineage, accompanied by a soul-stirring percussion ensemble.

WEEKEND

JUNE 28 & 29

Saturday 2pm & 8pm; Sunday 2pm

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Halau 'o Keikiali'i

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