



SRUTHI ANNUAL DAY CELEBRATIONS

21st APRIL 2007

4.00 p.m to 10.00 p.m

at

EAST DURHAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE
PETERLEE SR8 1NU

MUSICAL MOMENTS: Led by Sri.K.P.Udayabhanu and Dr. Sethu Wariyar, SRUTHI will present your favourite film songs both old and new. Accompanied by a live orchestra featuring Sri. Albert Vijayan on the keyboard and Sri. Manoj Siva on the Tabla. A special tribute will be paid to the memory of the famous poet Sri. P.Bhaskaran.

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Choreographed by Dr.Mayadevi Kurup

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4.30 to 7.15 p.m. Cultural Program

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TICKETS (including buffet dinner)

ADULTS: £15

CHILDREN (5 –18 yrs): £10

CHILDREN under 5 yrs: Free

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Dear friends,

We have great pleasure in inviting you to the second annual day celebrations of SRUTHI.

An evening of heart-warming poetry, nostalgic music, classical dance and drama awaits you.

This year we are fortunate to have two eminent personalities from the literary and music fields as guests of honour –

Sri.Balachandran Chullikkad, the famous poet and

Sri.K.P.Udayabhanu, the veteran singer and music director.

Looking forward to seeing you on the 21st,
SRUTHI



SRUTHI is honoured to present Sri.Balachandran Chullikkad to the Malayalis in the UK for the first time. Arguably the most distinct voice heard in Malayalam poetry in modern times, 'Chullikkad poetry' in the seventies took the then rather conservative Malayali literary world by storm. The highly emotive words and fiery lines in his poems created shockwaves in the society and elevated its young author to cult status especially in college campuses across the State.

Yesterday's angry young poet has become older and mellower. His words have become more introspective and philosophical. But he continues to reflect pure angst in his words, be it poetry, prose or social criticism.

This will be a unique experience to interact with one of the most gifted poets of our time and to hear him reciting some of his most famous poems.

K.P.Udayabhanu represents the golden age of Malayalam films and film songs – he is the king of melody and mood. He started his film career at the young age of 19. Udayabhanu's unique voice and his ability to portray emotions especially pathos won him a special seat in the hearts of Malayalis. The most popular of his songs were composed by K Raghavan master and the illustrious M.S.Baburaj.

In 1976, Udayabhanu composed music for the film Samasya, teaming with ONV. Since then he has rendered music for many films, dramas and albums.

At the age of 71, Udayabhanu's voice has lost none of its magic. Simplicity is the hallmark of his songs and they have been bestowed with enduring celebrity. With immense gratitude, SRUTHI presents a musical evening where we relive those nostalgic moments.



OTHER HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROGRAMME

PRELUDE: Group song of welcome and prayer by SRUTHI choir

TEMPLE BELLS: A spectacular dance blending Mohiniyattom, Kuchipudi and Odyssey, set to the enchanting veena of Maestro Chittibabu. Choreographed by Dr.Mayadevi Kurup.

'KERALA NET': SRUTHI presents a synopsis of activity from the famous Malayalam TV channel. This skit incorporates works of the kings of satire in Malayalam language - VKN and Ayyappanicker. Conceived by Dr.Jayakrishnan. (Cont'd)

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