Sruthi 10th Annual Event 3rd May 2014, 2 30 pm - 8 30 pm East Durham College 3 Willerby Grove, Peterlee, SR8 2RN



Our emínent guests, from 2005...





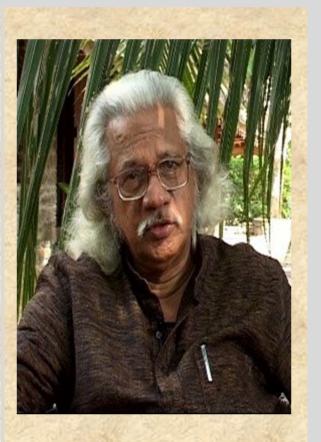




Adoor Gopalakrishnan - the auteur for whom cinema is not just a vision or experience, but is life itself. He is the creator of some of India's most memorable films including Swayamvaram, Elipathayam, Mukhamukham, Anantaram, Vidheyan and Nizhalkuthu. Adoor is also the visionary who chronicled the magnificent theatre traditions of Kerala such as Kathakali, Koodiyattom and Krishnanattom.

Adoor's cinema manages to frame details that often escape our everyday glance, turning the mundane into the magical, the commonplace into the startling. His protagonists are extraordinarily varied and by depicting them and their relationships in microscopic detail, he paints a canvas of the wider society in stark detail. A filmmaker who has remained true to himself and his brand of film making, under all circumstances and at all times – he is truly a man for all seasons.

Sruthi is honoured to have the Dada Saheb Phalke Award winner as the Chief Guest for our 10th Anniversary celebrations.







Rajashree Warrier: Eminent Bharatanatyam exponent, accomplished Carnatic vocalist, author, media person - Rajashree Warrier's talents are manifold. However, the hallmark of this acclaimed danseuse remains her ability to captivate her audience by bringing forth the inherent beauty of Bharatanatyam. Her prodigious talent, versatility and dedication are evidenced by her mastery of this art form. Sruthi takes great pleasure in welcoming this multi faceted artiste to our 10th Anniversary.

Bhagavadajjukam - Saint (Bhagavan) and

Courtesan (Ajjuka): Bhagavadajjukam, a play by Mahakavi Bhodayana, is believed to have an oral tradition going back 1,000 years.

This *prahasana* (satirical play) illustrates *parakaya*

pravesham (transmigration or exchange of souls) as practised by *Guru* to teach his *shishyan* Sandilya and the hilarious scenarios that arise as a consequence.



RAAGASUDHARASA:

A tantalising ensemble of vocal and instrumental music, exploring a wide repertoire of ragas this musical sojourn will take you through the serene harmonies, the rich melodies and the pulsating rhythms of our cherished musical heritage. A stage adaptation of Adoor's

celluloid odyssey: Protagonists from Adoor's films come alive on stage - interacting and dissolving into each other, in an attempt to explore the multilayered characterisation, subtexts, and internal crises that Adoor has so skilfully portrayed on film, through imagery and nuanced cinematic techniques. This is Sruthi's homage to the timeless classics of Adoor, which closely examines human condition against the existing socio-political milieu. Many of his characters, effusing the humanism of their creator, metamorphose from the wounded, vulnerable and repressed to the liberated.





Tickets available from: sruthi.treasurer@hotmail.co.uk *Adult: £30 , Child(5 – 15 yrs): £20*

Venue: East Durham College, 3 Willerby Grove, Peterlee, SR8 2RN

From A19 take the exit B1320 signposted Peterlee and Horden. Follow the road (about 300 m). The East Durham College Hall is on the left.

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