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Community School of Music and Arts Presents *ArtWorlds: India, April 14*

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA – The Community School of Music and Arts (CSMA) in Mountain View presents *ArtWorlds: India* on Friday, April 14 from 6-8:30pm. CSMA's *ArtWorlds* series is a celebration of art from around the globe. *ArtWorlds: India* will feature traditional Indian miniatures and Indian folk textiles, as well as Indian dance. The reception includes wine and delicious Indian cuisine. This free event will be held in CSMA's Tateuchi Hall and Mohr Gallery, located at 230 San Antonio Circle in Mountain View. The program in Tateuchi Hall begins at 7:00pm. Seating is limited; please arrive early.

ArtWorlds: India will feature traditional Indian miniatures and Indian folk textiles. The Indian miniature paintings (Janeff Collection) date from the mid 1600's through the 19th century and are painted on handmade paper or cloth. The colors are handmade from minerals, vegetables, precious stones, indigo, conch shells, pure gold and silver. The most common theme of the Miniature painting of India is comprised of the Ragas, the musical codes of Indian classical music.

The collection of Indian folk textiles (Summers Collection) is comprised of a range of textiles— both utilitarian and festive. Gathered over nearly 40 years, the collection demonstrates a wide variety of decorated textiles, created with brightly colored patchwork, embroidery, applique, tie dye, quilted textiles and hand sewing to dramatic effect. These 20th century folk textiles were collected with an appreciation for the beauty of design and craftsmanship, rather than perfection.

Following a talk and conversation about the art, the event will feature a Kathak dance performance by Sayali Goswami and the Kathakars School of Dance. Kathak dance is one of the major forms of Indian classical dance. The origin of Kathak is traditionally attributed to traveling bards of ancient North India, known as Kathakars, or storytellers.

CSMA's *ArtWorlds* series highlights and celebrates the cultures that make up the diverse Bay Area. Held regularly throughout the year, each *ArtWorlds* event features a different country, culture or geographic region, and engages the senses with music, visual arts, food, wine, education and conversation.

CSMA's Executive Director, Vickie Scott Grove, explains "*ArtWorlds* uses the arts to celebrate the wonderful diversity of our local community. Please join us on April 14 for a fantastic evening of art, dance, wine and cuisine!"

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The Community School of Music and Arts is an arts education nonprofit committed to engaging the community with *Arts4All*. Located in Mountain View, CSMA provides unique music and visual arts programming and events for audiences of all ages and backgrounds.

For more information about this event, visit www.arts4all.org. For interviews or additional images, contact Sharon Kenney, Director of Marketing & Communications, at 650-917-6800, ext 305 or skenny@arts4all.org.

EVENT CALENDAR INFORMATION:

- WHAT:** *ArtWorlds: India*
Featuring traditional Indian miniatures and folk textiles, and a Kathak dance performance
- WHERE:** Community School of Music and Arts (CSMA)
Finn Center, 230 San Antonio Circle, Mountain View, CA
- WHEN:** Friday, April 14, 2017; 6-8:30pm
Program begins at 7:00pm.
Seating is limited; please arrive early.
- COST:** Free and open to the public.
- INFO:** www.arts4all.org; 650-917-6800, ext 305

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Founded in 1968, the Community School of Music and Arts is Northern California's largest non-profit provider of arts education programs. With a \$5 million budget and 160-member staff and faculty, CSMA is one of the ten largest community schools in the United States. Located in the heart of Silicon Valley, one of the global capitals of creativity, CSMA is dedicated to making the arts and arts education accessible to all, regardless of age, experience or background. Headquartered in the award-winning Finn Center in the City of Mountain View, CSMA directly serves over 22,000 people of all ages, skill levels and economic means each year, including over 16,000 students at 40+ schools in San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties.

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