



NRITHYANJALI INSTITUTE OF DANCE

PRESENTS

“FIVE GEMS OF THYAGARAJA”

Classical- Indian Dance Presentation on Pancharatna Kritis

On June 10, 2006 @ 5:00 PM

Plainsboro Community Middle School

55 Grover's Mill Road, Plainsboro, NJ 08536



Five Gems of Thyagaraja is a novel project, depicting Pancharatna Kirthanas, immortal classics of the legendary composer Saint Thyagaraja. These five songs are exemplary compositions akin to music from Handel's Messiah. The dance presentation is intended to bring out the full meaning of the lyrics, translating them from the regional Indian languages to the more interpretive and visual language of dance. The dancer **Kalaimamani Ramya Ramnarayan** has choreographed these songs to be presented as a group production to make it more visually appealing to the audience.

Bharathanatyam, born in the South Indian Temples is devotional in spirit yet possesses a highly stylized and sophisticated technique. It utilizes a vocabulary of classical steps to create complex rhythmic patterns. With the language of gesture; it conveys various themes, ideas and concepts to the audience. In an unprecedented manner

ADMISSION IS FREE

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From NJ Turnpike take exit 8A towards Cranbury, Rt. 130 S. Make right on to Dey Road go all the way to T and make left on to Maple Av. At traffic light left on to Grovers Mill. School is on left side.

