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Rotunda Dance Series:
Madhuri Kishore School of Kuchipudi
Presented by Dancers' Group and World Arts West,
in partnership with Grants for the Arts and
San Francisco City Hall

Free
Friday, October 6, 2017
12 Noon
San Francisco City Hall

SAN FRANCISCO, CA— August 16, 2017—In their seventh season presenting free monthly dance performances in San Francisco City Hall's extraordinary Rotunda, Dancers' Group and World Arts West continue their partnership to bring audiences lunchtime glimpses into movement and musical traditions from around the world.

This October, Madhuri Kishore School of Kuchipudi will present a series of dances highlighting the grace, strength and delicacy of the art form.

Kuchipudi is the classical dance form from the South-East Indian state of Andhra Pradesh. Known for its strong narrative and dramatic characters, Kuchipudi is characterized by fast rhythmic footwork and sculptural fluid body movements, stylized mime and hand gestures, and subtle facial expression.

The Rotunda Dance Series brings many of the Bay Area's most celebrated dance companies to San Francisco City Hall for free monthly noon-time performances and is presented by Dancers' Group and World Arts West in partnership with Grants for the Arts and SF City Hall.

The 2017 Rotunda Dance Series continues with Charya Burt Cambodian Dance (Nov 3) and Nicaragua Danza (Dec 1).

About Madhuri Kishore School of Kuchipudi (sugathri.com/madhurikishore)
Smt. Madhuri Kishore is an accomplished dancer, prolific choreographer and teacher, she has given hundreds of performances all over India, and the United States. Kishore was initiated in the dance form of Kuchipudi at the age of five by Guru Kothapally Padma. She further her training under Guru Dr. Uma Rama Rao, Director of Lasya Priya Dance Academy, India. Her creative choreography explores the boundaries of Kuchipudi by combining it with other classical Indian dance styles like Bharatnatyam, Kathak, and Odissi through expressive and elegant

steps. Smt. Madhuri Kishore founded the School of Kuchipudi in 2005 to share India's rich culture and heritage through dance. Her school is now one of the leading Kuchipudi dance schools in the Bay Area, and her students have won several prizes in national level competitions and performed internationally.

About World Arts West (worldartswest.org)
For nearly four decades, World Arts West has supported and presented world dance artists throughout the San Francisco Bay Area. The main presenting program of the organization is the nationally acclaimed San Francisco Ethnic Dance Festival, which presents over 100 distinct dance forms and thousands of local dancers who are sustaining and innovating within those forms. The organization works year round to advance cultural literacy and build bridges of cultural understanding.

About Dancers' Group (dancersgroup.org)
Dancers' Group promotes the visibility and viability of dance. Founded in 1982, we serve San Francisco Bay Area artists, the dance community and audiences through programs and services that are as collaborative and innovative as the creative process itself. In response to the needs of its constituents, Dancers' Group has evolved to fulfill a dual function as a service organization and as a presenter of performance opportunities that maximize the visibility of dance in the Bay Area.

Calendar Editors please note:
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