#### **About the Artist**

The devotional music of the Pushtimarg practised as part of the daily rituals and offerings as well as on ceremonious occasions in the *haveli*s or the temples of Vallabha Sampradaya, the Vaishnavite ascetic order of *pushti* founded in 1494 by Vallabhacharya (1479 – 1531), has come to be known as *haveli sangeet* as distinguished from the *darbari* tradition of the secular and courtly style of both *dhrupad* and *khayal*. The tradition of *haveli sangeet* or *pushtimarg bhakti sangeet* exemplifies the musical ideal as inextricably bound to the religious pursuit of the divine.

Already accomplished in the austere style of *dhrupad* and *kirtan* in the *haveli* tradition, Gokulotsavji Maharaj has been trained in the *darhari* tradition of *khayal* singing initially under Pt. Moreshwar Rao Golvelkar who introduced him to the Gwalior and Kirana idioms of singing. As part of his initial training in the *haveli* tradition, Maharaj has already acquired proficiency in playing *veena* and *pakhawaj*. He grew up listening to recordings of the masters of yesteryears like Ustad Aman Ali Khan, Ustad Abdul Wahid Khan and particularly Ustad Amir Khan who has had a sustained influence on him in developing a meditative and solemn musical style of introspection. Under the pen name 'Madhur Piya', Gokulotsavji has published over 5000 compositions in *khayal*, *dhrupad* and other allied genres, in Sanskrit, Persian, Urdu and Braj Bhasha. Gokulotsavji has been conferred the Padma Shri, Tansen Samman and twice the President's Award

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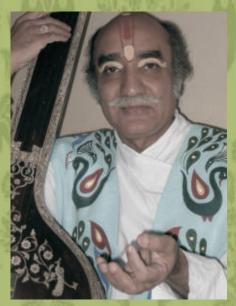


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#### KHAYAL& TARANA

Acharya Goswami Gokulotsavji Maharaj accompanied by Pradip Kumar Sarkar (Tabla) & Shekhar Ganesan (Harmonium)

Tuesday, 9 April 6.30 - 8.30 p.m.

### DHRUPAD & HAVELISANGEET

Acharya Goswami Gokulotsavji Maharaj accompanied by Pandit Dalchand Sharma (Pakhawaj) & Shekhar Ganesan (Harmonium)

> Wednesday, 10 April 6.30 - 8.30 p.m.