

Brief Report of the Girija Kalyana – Gamaka Roopaka

Event Date: 21.07.2013

The Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts, Southern Regional Centre and Suchitra Cinema and Cultural Academy, Bangalore, jointly organised a dance-drama "Gamaka Roopaka" based on the 13th century Kannada poet, Harihara's well-known "Girija Kalyana Mahaprabhandam", on 21.07.2013 at Suchitra Cinema and Cultural Academy at 6:15 PM. The programme is presented by the artists of the Chitranatya Foundation (R), Bangalore.

Smt. Nirmala Prasanna, an established Gamaka vocalist from Karnataka, rendered in melodious voice and thirteen artists performed on the stage dressed in appropriate costume. Dr. L.G. Meera, the dance director of Chitranatya Foundation choreographed the play. She also introduced Kumara Sambhava of Kalidasa and Girija Kalyana of Harihara to the audience.

The selection of poems highlighted Manmatha Dahana and the marriage of Girija and Shiva. The programme was attended by artists and other public and the hall was full.

Professor S. Settar, Director (Hon.) addressed the audience and complimented the artists.

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Concept, Direction	:	Prof. S. Settar Director (Hon.) IGNCA SRC, Bangalore
Gamaka Rendering	:	Nirmala Prasanna
Dance Director	:	Meera. L.G.
Narrator	:	Pallavi
Manmatha	:	Sanjana. D.S.
Rathi	:	Priya. D.S.
Shiva	:	Pallavi. K.P.
Vatu	:	Rashmi Ravikumar
Sakhis	:	Druti, Rishika, Pranathi Ravikumar
Muni's (Rishi's)	:	Sriraksha, Sarika Hegde
Himavantha	:	Srinidhi
Event Coordinator	:	N. Ravikumar
Chief Guest	:	Dr. Vijaya (Well known theatre personality and journalist)



