### About Ray of Hope

We are a nonprofit organization that supports Gwalior Children's Charity in India by providing the families with rural healthcare & educational services. We want these families to have the chance to live happy, healthy, and productive lives. With our support and resources, this can be a reality. Our annual dance recitals and holiday galas held in the fall, support our international causes. Furthermore, we continue to support Inglis House- a home for the disabled in Philadelphia. In addition to the annual shows, we have held massive clothes drives and holiday gift wrapping events to benefit local causes. Through our numerous events, we have been able to raise more than \$125,000+ that will impact & improve the lives of many! We couldn't do this without all of you! Thank you for your tremendous support & contributions. Please feel free to reach out to your network to have them join this wonderful cause. We look forward to seeing you at our events.

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## Leela - Cycle of creation

Dedicated to:





Sunday, June 12th, 2016 Gwynedd Mercy Performing Arts Center 2pm to 5:30pm

Celebrating 12+ years of outstanding artistic accomplishments in classical Bharatnatyam & Navanritya

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Welcome to Nava Nritya Dance Academy's (NNDA) 12th annual show, Leela 2016. As in previous years, our show displays our unique dance style, Nava Nritya, along with the classical style of Bharatanatyam. For the 12th consecutive year, we have been given the honor and privilege of showcasing our unstoppable growth, achievements, and teamwork. We, as a family, unit, and team, work together in developing our charity, Ray of Hope International Foundation, to help 120,000+ underprivileged lives in India and USA get the opportunity to gain the level of education and empowerment that every person deserves. As you sit back, and enjoy another awe inspiring show, keep in mind that even though we are a family composed of different backgrounds and cultures, we merge into a stark and enduring pillar that supports our academy through our dance. We strive to be the best for us, for you, for Ray of Hope, and for the millions of people who believe that they can change lives, one at a time.

Snowflakes 3rd year	Little Angels (5th year)	Dancing Fairies (7th year)
Himani Patel, 4th grade	Aratrika Das, 3rd grade	Isabel Mehta, 8th grade
Lily Mehta, 1st grade	Arya Venkat, 7th grade	Krupa Patel, 11th grade
Myra Maini, 5th grade	Ellie Dean, 6th grade	Naiya Mainigi, 7th grade
Riya Mainigi, 3rd grade	Esha Dindigal, 5th grade	Nishitha Kannan, 6th grade
Saloni Bhatia, 4th grade	Jeyanthi Bose, Project Manager, Merck	Saanvi Bhatia, 6th grade
Savina Copas, 3rd grade	Sneha Chaudhuri, 5th grade	Sangeetha Bhuyan, 6th grade
Taara Verma, 4th grade	Sophia Balaratna, 6th grade	Sushrita Haripriya,8th grade
	Srija Chaudhuri, 3rd grade	
	Swathi Murali, 7th grade	
	Upasana Bharadwaj, college student	
	Zara Bhatt, 4th grade	
Mirage Seniors: Advanced	Sunflowers (2nd year)	Twinkle Stars
Ameya Patel, 12th grade (presented solo debut 2016)	Anjali Holloman, 2nd grade	(2nd year beginner) Akshara Senjey, 1st grade
Anika Jagasia, 12th grade (presented debut/ 2014) & asst teacher	Chitra Verma, 4th grade Juliana Ghosh, 3rd grade	Afra Menon, Pre-K
Anjalee Bhuyan, 10th grade	Parina Arora, 7th grade	Anvi Guduru, 2nd grade
Enakshi Deb, 10th grade (presented debut in 2015) & asst. teacher	Riya Shankaran, 2nd grade	Ashya Farahi, 2nd grade
Maya Rahman, 11th grade (presented solo debut/in 2014) & asst. teacher	Selina Tripathy, 5h grade	Mahi Vaghela, 2nd grade Meera Munuswamy, Pre-K
Puja Saha, 7th grade		Srijani Saha, 1st grade
Saadhana Jakka, 7th grade (presenting solo debut in 2016)	Primary teachers	
Spandana Jakka, 12th grade( present-	Anwesha Dutta: Director, PwC Consulting: Healthcare Transformation	
ng solo debut in 2016)	President, Ray of Hope International, & Artistic Director, NNDA Teacher:	
Sunanda Ganguly, Sales rep,	Mirage Seniors, Dancing Fairies & Little Angels	
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asst. teacher	Sridevi Jakka: IT AVP, BNY Mellon, C	Co-Teacher: Little Angels
	Anjali Menon: Psychologist. Teacher:	Snowflakes & Twinkle Stars



# Leela - Program

Dance Item	Dancer/Group	Choreographer	
Act 1: Classical Bharatnatyam Dances			
Leela: Inaugural dance	Teachers & Mirage	Anwesha & teachers	
Pushpanjali	Snowflakes	Anwesha & Anitha	
Ganesh Vandana	Sunflowers	Anitha	
Alarippu	Little Angels	Anwesha	
Saraswati Vandana	Snowflakes	Anjali	
Krishna Shabdam	Dancing Fairies	Anwesha	
Natanam Adinar	Mirage	Anwesha	
Shiva Stuti	Twinkle Stars	Anjali	
Snake Dance	Dancing Fairies	Anitha	
Thumaki Chalat	Little Angels	Anwesha	
Thillana	Mirage	Anwesha	
Act 2: Navanritya & Folk Dances			
Shiva Chaturanga—Guru's reflections	Anwesha & Mirage	Anwesha	
Hanuman Chalisa	Dancing Fairies	Anwesha	
Cosmic Sutras	Little Angels, Snowflakes, Mirage	Anwesha	
Renaissance: Creation & destruction	Sunflowers	Anitha	
Daruno Agni	Enakshi (Oishy) Deb	Anwesha	
Megher Koley	Twinkle Stars	Anjali	
Swarna Mala: Graduating seniors	Ameya, Spandana, Anika	Ameya, Spandana, Anika	
Leela: Grand finale	All	Anwesha	

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