



MOTH SMOKE

by Mohsin Hamid

Mohsin Hamid's first novel "MOTH SMOKE," is published by Penguin India. Hamid grew up in Lahore, Pakistan, studied at Princeton and Harvard, and currently resides in New York.

This novel is ". . .an irresistibly engaging adventure and a searching portrait of young people in Pakistan," says novelist Joyce Carol Oates. It has also been well-recommended by Nobel Laureate Nandine Gordimer: ". . .not often does one find a first novel that has the power of imagination and skill to orchestrate personal and public themes of these consequences and achieve a chord that reverberates in one's mind."

Appropriately, *His Excellency Mr. Ashraf Qazi*, High Commissioner of Pakistan, will discuss the book.

Thursday, September 28 at 3:00 pm
At the home of Begum Abidah Qazi
Pakistan House, 8B Tilak Marg, New Delhi
Tel: 338-6023

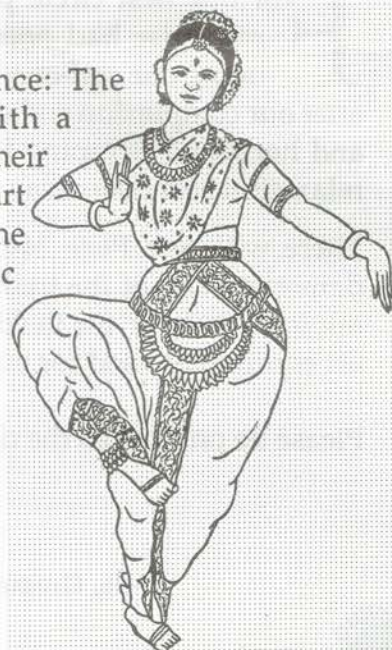
Culture & Music

Indian Dance

A Talk by Shanta Serbjeet Singh

Shanta Serbjeet Singh, author of the book "Indian Dance: The Ultimate Metaphor" will enlighten our audience with a talk on the inter-connection of all the arts in India and their common philosophical foundation, with dance being the one art which exemplifies this best. She will also explain to us how just the study of one classical art, dance, has opened for her many magic windows to understanding the core issues of life.

Friday, September 15 at 3:00 pm
At the home of Balveer Singh
Singapore High Commission
E-6 Chandra Gupta Marg, Chanakyapuri • Tel: 688-4255
Limit - 35



FOCUS

CYBERSPACE & US

A Talk by Mr. T. K. Viswanathan

Today, "www" has become a part of our lives. It has revolutionised marketing of goods and services, enabling us to shop from our homes by paying through the medium of digital cash. We enjoy messages and pictures of our loved ones through the magic of e-mail. Cyberspace can make our lives easier by enabling us to pay our utility bills, get licenses and such things without having to leave our homes. Governments strive for a system of e-governance.

The path through cyberspace is not without its pitfalls and dangers. Mr. T. K. Viswanathan is an authority on *cyberlaw*. He is the Secretary to the Government of India and Member Secretary of the Law Commission. He has drafted, among other important bills, the Information Technology Act, the Central Vigilance Commission Bill, and the Lok Pal Bill. He will talk to us on cyberspace and how it is influencing our lives.

Monday, September 25 at 3:00 PM
At the home of Jyoti Wazir
C-515 Defence Colony, New Delhi 110024
Tel: 469-8143 or 463-1983

HEALTH-WISE

THERAPEUTIC DEMONSTRATION

at Shahnaz Husain's

For our first circle program this year we can learn how to maximise good feelings, minimise bad ones, and live life to its fullest. Through special techniques we can boost our self-confidence and increase our "good feelings." We will learn how to look after our complexion and skin; we will see the famous traditional Ayurvedic "Dhara" oil massage and herbal oil dripping from a suspended clay pot, both of which are sure to induce deep relaxation and take away pain and "bad feelings."

There will be a Pure 24-carat Gold facial followed by a Thermo-herb mask, and a lecture demonstration of the traditional Punchkarma and Kerala massage techniques. Members can opt to be "models" for the demonstrations. These will be followed by a tour of the state-of-the-art equipment used for various beauty treatments and description of its potions.

Please be on time so the demonstrations can be of full use.

Thursday, September 7 at 3:00 pm
Shahnaz Husain/Nelofar Currimbhoy
M-86, Greater Kailash-I, New Delhi 110048 • Tel: 646-5079, 642-0337
Limit: 40

TRIPS & Tours

Welcome to the New Club Year. As September is still very humid and warm, Trips & Tours will let you enjoy the comfort of your own cool homes this month. Our first trip will be in October.

We are arranging a visit to the famous Nalagarh Fort, 50 kms. north of Chandigarh, and then up into the beautiful hills of Himachal Pradesh. The dates will be 6 to 8 October, and all the details will be in the next newsletter.

In the meantime, if you need any further information call Bina Deogun at 683-2736 or Gugu Anup Singh at 506-3788 or 91-634-0365.

A NOTE FROM THE PAST TREASURER

In the Annual General Meeting of Women's International Club held on 10th May, 2000 at India Habitat Centre a query was made regarding the difference in the amounts mentioned under General Meeting Expenses in Receipt and Payment Account and in Income and Expenditure Account. The auditors have sent the following clarification which I am sure will satisfy the members concerned:

"Receipt & Payment" show details of all Receipts and Payments during the financial year, whether related to the financial year in reference or not, whereas Income & Expenditure Account shows detail of all Income & Expenses relating to the financial year in question only.

During the year under reference actual amount paid towards General Meeting was Rs. 61,343/- but Expenditure for the year was Rs. 76,465/- which includes Rs. 15,122/- which was paid in advance during financial year 1998-99."

Smita Divan

Hon'y. Treasurer 1999-2000



A call for Singers

We would like to gather together WIC members who can sing for a program of Christmas music at the December Christmas Programme. Previous experience and the ability to read music would be very helpful. Please contact Bapsi Nariman by fax at 696-4718 or by e-mail at bapsimariman@hotmail.com. (If you don't have fax or e-mail you may phone Bapsi at 686-2980, before 9:30 AM please.)

from the Editor's Desk...



Dear WIC members,

Once again it is time to request our gentle membership to be considerate of the circle hostesses and speakers. If you find you cannot attend a meeting for which you have signed up, PLEASE phone the Circle Leader OR the hostess. As many of us know, the hostesses go to great effort to provide refreshments for us. As many of us also know, some circle meetings have limited capacity. If you let someone know you cannot attend, you will enable someone on the waiting list to take your place. Remember, you may one day host a circle meeting yourself.

Change of Address:

Sushma Nanda to
J-519 Western Avenue
Sainik Farms - 110062
Tel: 651-7342, 651-8935

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Deadline for October issue
latest
by 6th September, please.

There will be a Rupee One
hundred (Rs. 100/-) charge
for each guest at the
General meeting.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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10	11	12 <i>11 am Mentor Coffee meeting at Nayana's</i>	13	14	15 CULTURE & MUSIC Indian Dance 3.00 pm. Singapore High Comm.	16
17	18 ABOUT TOWN Delhi Stock Exchange 10.30 am Main Gate- IIC	19	20 GENERAL MEETING 3.00 pm. Hotel Le Meridien	21	22	23
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