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Title: The Mathematics of Being Human - A Theatrical Exploration and Discussion

Look at mathematics through a whole new lens of poetry and storytelling with internationally bestselling Novelist, Mathematician and Playwright, Manil Suri in conversation with Award-winning Journalist, Author and Maths Aficionado, Dilip D'Souza, as they discuss Manil's latest play, a provocative classroom drama that explores the nexus between mathematics and the humanities. The evening will also feature an enactment of the play by Manil along with Theatre Artist, Shambhavi Bhat where they will show how two very different ways of thinking can profoundly shape our understanding of what it means to be human.

Where: Essar House, podium.

When: Friday, January 8, 2016, 6 PM to 8 PM

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Can the precision of poetry
match the precision of an equation?

What makes us more human; Poetry, the language of the soul, or Mathematical truths that explain our very existence? Join internationally bestselling *Novelist, Mathematician and Playwright, Manil Suri* in conversation with *Award-winning Journalist, Author and Maths Aficionado, Dilip D'Souza*, as they discuss Manil's latest play, a provocative classroom drama that explores the nexus between mathematics and the humanities. The evening will also feature an enactment of an episode from the play by Manil and *Theatre Artist Dilnaz Irani*.

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About Manil Suri:

Manil Suri was born in Bombay (now Mumbai) and is a professor of mathematics and affiliate professor of Asian studies at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County. He is the author of the novels *The Death of Vishnu*, *The Age of Shiva*, and *The City of Devi*. His fiction has won several awards and honors and has been translated into twenty-seven languages. He was named by Time Magazine as a "Person to Watch" in 2000. He is a citizen of both the United States and India. In addition to his writing, he is involved in several mathematics outreach projects. His research is in the area of finite element methods for partial differential equations.

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