

A dance and music performance celebrating the fascinating culture of Hungary right here in Mumbai

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Royal Opera House, Mumbai, The Consulate General of Hungary in Mumbai and Avid Learning, present **Colours of the Revolution in Dance**, a music and dance performance that showcases and celebrates the traditional folk culture of Hungary.

Details of the event are as below:

The 'Alba Regia' Dance Ensemble accompanied by **The 'Szedtevette' Music Band** will perform Hungarian folk dances, music and songs from various regions of the Hungarian homeland.

Jointly, they have had several successful shows and performances in all the European countries as well as in North Africa, Canada, China and India with great success and have received numerous accolades and awards at both Hungarian and international Folk Dance Festivals.

Read on for more on the ensembles who are performing:

The 'Alba Regia' Dance Ensemble has long history from the town of Székesfehérvár, which is the formal seat of the Hungarian Royal family. This year, they celebrated the 69th anniversary of their establishment. They have been awarded with numerous honors and awards in Hungarian and international Folk Dance Festivals throughout the years in the individual, the chamber and the Ensemble/Bands categories alike. In 1994, they won the Hamburg FVS Foundation "European Award for Folk Art" award, and in 2007 the 'Prima Award ". The Ensemble also had a big success on the 'Fölszállott a páva' television show in Hungary in 2016.

There are nearly four hundred dancers in the group from pre-school age to 70 years of age. Their shows represents the whole scale of Hungarian folk dances, music and songs from the various regions of the Hungarian homeland.

The 'Szedtevette' Music Band has been musically accompanying the dancers for about 15 years and in addition to the Hungarian folklore connection the members have a strong friendship as well.

Do not miss your opportunity to get a taste of the unique national heritage of Hungary right here in Mumbai!

Kindly note that seats are ONLY available on the 1st & 2nd level so be sure to reserve your seat as soon as possible.

Where: Royal Opera House, Mama Parmanand Marg, Mumbai - 400 004

When: Friday, 16th March 2018 | 6:00 PM – 6:30 PM – Registrations | 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Performance

RSVP: www.avidlearning.in/ avidlearning@essarservices.co.in / +919769937710; prior registration required

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The Royal Opera House, Mumbai is widely touted as Mumbai's Cultural Crown Jewel and India's only surviving Opera House. The original idea for the space was conceived of in 1908, inaugurated in 1911 by King George V, and eventually completed in 1916. The design incorporated a blend of European and Indian detailing. The space became a cinema in later years before falling into disrepair and shutting by the 1990s. Fittingly, the space has been owned by the Royal Family of Gondal since 1952 and was eventually restored by conservation architect, Abha Narain Lambah under the leadership of the current Maharaja of Gondal, Shri Jyotendrasinhji. The Royal Opera House Mumbai, now one of the last remaining Baroque structures in the city, reopened after 23 years in October 2016. The building was included on the 2012 World Monuments Watch to raise awareness about its history and significance, and support preservation efforts. The building has since been recognized with an Award of Merit in the 2017 UNESCO Asia-Pacific Awards for Cultural Heritage Conservation. The restored facilities feature a 574-seater 3-level auditorium with an orchestra pit and state of the art technological upgradations, including acoustics, stagecraft, lighting and air-conditioning, alongside retaining the old world charm of the proscenium stage, the royal boxes and the magnificent regal chandeliers. Some more enhancements to the venue include a motorized screen, co-axial ceiling speaker system, Four-zone volume control and all round wifi access. Today, it stands as a key performance and creative hub in the city's cultural landscape, while being a premier heritage landmark. *Facebook:* www.facebook.com/royaloperahousemumbai/ *Twitter:* @MumbaiOpera *Instagram:* @mumbaiopera