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Nrityagram Dance Ensemble of India brings traditional and contemporary dance forms to Morris

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**Summary: The Nrityagram Dance Ensemble of India will grace the Edson Auditorium stage on Saturday, February 27, 2010, at 7:30 p.m.**

(February 12, 2010)-The Nrityagram Dance Ensemble of India will grace the stage at the University of Minnesota, Morris, to begin this semester’s Performing Arts Series (PAS). The company will perform on Saturday, February 27, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Center’s Edson Auditorium.

The company fuses contemporary dance concepts with traditional dance forms to create a remarkable performance that The Washington Post proclaims “a winner!” The Odissi, a traditional dance form, a dance of love and passion, will be performed with “exceptional synchronicity, compelling physicality, and emotional honesty.”

Rachel Braegelmann ’11, New Ulm, is looking forward to the performance. She says, “My younger brother is studying abroad in India right now. I’m excited to go so that I can experience some of the same culture he’s seeing while he’s abroad.”

Primary funding for the PAS is provided by University of Minnesota, Morris students. The series is made possible in part by a grant from the Minnesota State Arts Board, through an appropriation by the Minnesota State Legislature, and a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts. The Nrityagram Dance Ensemble presentation is also supported by the Performing Arts Fund, a program of Arts Midwest funded by the National Endowment for the Arts, with additional contributions from the Minnesota State Arts Board, General Mills Foundation, and Land O’Lakes Foundation.

For ticket information, contact the Office of Student Activities or 320-589-6080. &amp;#8232&amp;#8232

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