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Kuchipudi art form with Six centuries of history is practiced in many countries across the world. But United States has the largest number of Kuchipudi dance Gurus and students learning the art form. Silicon Andhra hosted Five hugely successful International Kuchipudi Dance Conventions over the last Eight years.

SiliconAndhra is hosting the America Kuchipudi Dance Convention (AKDC) during the Labor Day weekend in San Francisco. The objective of the AKDC is to create a platform and forum to showcase the talent of youngsters, to recognize the tremendous contributions of Gurus, to exchange views for the propagation of Kuchipudi and learn from experienced Gurus. AKDC would have an excellent array of performances, Lec Dems, Seminars and spectacular presentations. Cordially invite all Gurus, Students and connoisseurs of Kuchipudi to attend the AKDC.

For more details, please visit <http://akdc.siliconandhra.org>





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## Program Highlights

### **Kuchipudi Sobha Yatra - Siddhendra Yogi Rathotsavam**

#### **Grand Opening Ceremony :**

"Kuchipudi Satakam" Choreography by 'Kala Ratna' Bala Kondala Rao,  
written by Sri Jonnavithula Rama Lingeswara Rao,  
presented by Senior Kuchipudi Students from all over USA

#### **Special Award Ceremony for Gurus as Pioneers of Kuchipudi in America**

- Guru Rathna Kumar
- Guru Sumathi Kaushal
- Guru Mrinalini Sadananda

#### **Lecture Demonstrations by Accomplished Scholars and Artistes :**

- Dr. Pappu Venu Gopala Rao (India) - Natya Sastra & Kuchipudi
- Guru Rathna Kumar (TX) - Contribution of Padmabhushan Dr. Vempati Chinna Satyam Master
- Guru Sumathi Kaushal (LA) - Gurubhyonamaha
- Dr. Yashoda Thakore (India) - Ashta Dikkulu - Ashtavidha Nayikalu
- Dr. Rama Devi (India) - Golla Kalapam
- Dr. Anupama Kylash (India) - Images and Motifs in Bhakti Literature
- Dr. Sumitra Velury (India) - Vachikabhinaya in Kuchipudi with Diploma Students of UofSA
- Mrs. Shoba Natarajan (IL) - Differences Between Bharatnatyam & Kuchipudi
- Ms. Roxanne Kamayani Gupta (NY) - Kuchipudi in 21st Century

#### **Special Performances :**

- Guru Mrinalini Sadananda (MD)
- Ms. Roxanne Kamayani Gupta (NY)
- Dr. Yashoda Thakore (India)
- Ashtavidha Nayikas by Masters Students of UofSA

#### **Special Group Performances by Academies :**

Pratyusha Apparasu (CO), Lakshmi Babu (MD), Jyothi Lakkaraju (SJ), Sunitha Pendekanti (SJ),  
Jyothi Chintalapudi (GA), Madhuri Kishore (SJ), Samidha Satyam (SJ), Suvarna Pappu (OH),  
Sinduri Jayasinghe (LA), Deepthi Duvvuri (LA)

#### **Special Presentations by Gurus :**

Swathi Atluri (NJ), Aparna Nadendla (NJ), Lakshmi Babu (MD), Jyothi Chintalapudi (GA),  
Sreedevi Dadithota (GA), Srivani Vokkarne (IL), Aruna Chandra (IL), Bhagyasri Benna (LA),  
Shirni Kanth (SJ), Madhuri Kishore (SJ), Samidha Satyam (SJ)

Award Ceremony to Gurus of America by Dept. of Culture and SiliconAandhra

Tribute offered to Legends of Kuchipudi Artform through presentations of their choreographies

#### **Grand Closing Ceremony**



Please Register Online at  
**<http://akdc.siliconandhra.org>**

Registration : \$100  
(Includes Breakfast, Lunch, High Tea & Snacks, Dinner for 2 days)



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