

Rangoli Foundation
presents

Abhinaya

the craft of expressing and conveying in words,
art, music, and movement by the renowned
Bharatanatyam dancer from Chennai, India

Bragha Bessell

Saturday, October 7, 2006.

7:00 P.M.

Barnsdall Gallery Theatre

4800 Hollywood Blvd, Hollywood, Ca 90027

Bragha Bessell, a consummate artist is a prime disciple of Adyar K. Lakshman and Kalanidhi Narayan. She studied Bharatanatyam initially from Mangudi Durai Raja Iyer and Kunchitapadam Pillai. Bragha, a quintessential dancer and a multiple award winning artist is renowned for her Abhinaya (art of expression). She has often played the lead roles in her teachers' dance productions and also teaches at her guru's institute. With many awards to her credit, she has given numerous performances and participated in festivals all over India, the United States, Canada, and throughout Europe. She has made TV appearances in Belgium, Netherlands, Germany, Japan, and on Asia Net. She has conducted Abhinaya workshops and lecture demonstrations extensively and has been invited by the prestigious institution Kalakshetra, (Chennai India) to give master classes. Bragha, having toured United States twice with her gurus, is currently sponsored by Rangoli Foundation based in Los Angeles to offer master classes for Rangoli Dance Company.

For more information on Bragha Bessell, visit www.kutcheribuzz.com/ebrochures/bragha



"...amazing ability to hold a moment in stillness and silence."

"...It is called transformation...which is what happens to both audience and the dancer when Bragha dances." – Sruti magazine

"...simple and unassuming, Bragha Bessell, wove magic with her mimetic skills."

The Hindu, 2005 -

Rupa Srikanth

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Bragha Bessell, invited by Rangoli Foundation, is a master artist in residence from August – October 2006

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