

DEDICATION



In welcoming The Kalakshetra of Chennai, India, to Houston, Samskriti is honored to also commemorate the former President of India, and former chairman of The Kalakshetra Foundation, the late Hon. Sri R. Venkataraman, whose centenary is being celebrated all over India from December 4, 2010 to December 4, 2011.

Samskriti deems it a happy coincidence that its Third International Dance Conference is being held during this time. The Honorable Former President was not only one of India's finest statesman and political leaders but a visionary

and a great patron of the arts as well. During the years following his presidency, from 1994 to 2008, the Hon. Sri Venkataraman immersed himself in his love for the arts as Chairman of the Kalakshetra Foundation.

The Honorable Former President Sri R. Venkataraman was a freedom fighter and one who lived on to shape and influence modern India in diverse fields spanning Industries to Planning, Defence to Finance, Constitutional and International Law to, finally, the world of performing Arts.

Samskriti dedicates this
Third International Dance Conference
To the memory of
The late Hon. Sri R. Venkataraman
Former President of India