

**UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA  
DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC**

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**USA World Music Ensemble – India**  
*Spring Concert*

**S. Raj Chaudhury, director**  
featuring guest dance artist  
**Nrithya Jagannathan**

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Gayatri Mantra traditional  
source of lyrics – Rig Veda

Nachata Tribhanga Yeh traditional  
source of lyrics – traditional dhrupad

Raghupati Rahgava Raja Ram traditional  
USA World Music Ensemble – India

Bharatanatyam compositions traditional  
Nrithya Jagannathan, guest dance artist

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**The Fifty-sixth Concert of Academic Year 2017-2018**

**Saturday, March 17, 2018  
7:30 p.m.**

## USA World Music Ensemble – India

Ayush Patel  
Christian Mixson  
Dhananjay Tambe \*

Nutan Mishra \*  
Rajarshi Dey \*  
Ayota Banerjee +

S. Raj Chaudhury \*  
\* – USA Faculty  
+ – community member

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**Dr. S. Raj Chaudhury** initiated the Indian music section of the World Music Ensemble at USA in Spring 2017. He teaches North Indian classical and semi-classical music and plays harmonium and tabla. The class explores the interplay of melody and rhythm through the choice of different *ragas* and *talas* in the North Indian tradition. South students are joined by faculty and community members in the ensemble, which also performs at local south asian cultural functions. Prior to joining South, Dr. Chaudhury led Indian music ensembles at UCLA, Christopher Newport University and Auburn University. His initial training was at the Gitabithi Academy of Indian Music in Kolkata, India with further work at UCLA with renowned ethnomusicologist (late) Prof. Nazir Ali Jairazbhoy.

**Nrithya Jagannathan** is a senior yoga teacher and yoga therapist at the Krishnamacharya Yoga Mandiram with more than 14 years of experience. Nrithya holds a master's degree in communications and is also a professional Bharathanatyam artist. She has more than 1,000 stage shows to her credit and has received numerous awards for recognition of her proficiency as a dancer. Nrithya is currently completing her doctorate in Yoga and Natya at SCSVMV University in Kanchipuram. She currently heads KYM's media department and has published numerous articles on yoga in both national and international journals. She is also anchoring the daily morning yoga show aired on Vanavil TV, a Tamil television channel.

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## *Upcoming Laidlaw Concerts*

**Sunday, March 18, 2018 – 1:00 p.m.**

Dillon Franklin, Senior Trumpet Recital

**Sunday, March 18, 2018 – 7:30 p.m.**

USA Faculty Brass Quintet in Concert

**Monday, March 19, 2018 – 7:30 p.m.**

USA Piano Ensembles Spring Concert

**Tuesday, March 20, 2018 – 7:30 p.m.**

Carlos Vizoso, Senior Saxophone Recital