**Bala Devi Chandrashekar**, artistic director, Shree Padma Nrityam of Performing Arts, Princeton, New Jersey, will be performing a dance titled "Sacred Dance."

At Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, NY 12604 on the occasion of the "Annual Gandhiji Birthday Commemoration" on Wednesday October 8, 2008 at 7:00pm Sanders Classroom Auditorium

Bala will perform components of pure dance, representational dance and art of communication. There will be special references from the oldest treatise on dance and drama – Natya Shastra and allied texts. She will also connect the movement technique to ancient temple sculptures. The performance will tie in all allied subjects such as religion and philosophy, art history, music, cultural anthropology, dance and drama.