# A Musical evening by



Organized by: **Bengali Cultural Society**, Cleveland, Ohio Tri-C Metro Campus Theater 2900 Community College Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44115 Friday, July 11, 2008 Dinner: 6:30 PM, Show: 8:00 PM

#### Members of the Bhoomi Team

#### **Soumitra Ray**

Lead singer, lyricist and composer. The massive display of rhythm instruments that occupy the center of the stage belongs to him. His range varies from the drums, thumba, bongo, madol and even the African djembe. Initiation into music from the age of three and influenced by years of choir singing in school in Darjeeling. Has rendered his voice in numerous ad jingles and TV serials and has also sung the title track of the award winning film Mr. & Mrs. Iyer under the direction of Ustad Zakir Hussain. Has successfully accompanied stalwarts like Manna De, Sandhya Mukherjee, Kumar Sanu and Kavita Krishnamurthy among others. An avid reader, he also sketches, writes and takes interest in all types of sports. Loves his camera too. Father of two music-loving sons, loves to spend time at home whenever possible.

#### Surojit Chatterjee

Lead singer, lyricist, composer, arranger whose repertoire includes a wide range of musical instruments like the guitar, English flute, pan flute, recorders, whistler, blues harp, mandolin, banjo, castanets, dotara, khamak and a whole lot of percussion instruments. Learnt tabla from the tender age of four from Professor Chitta Bose and subsequently from Bhupal Bhattacharya under Allahabad University. Later on went on to learn Guitar from Tapas Ghosh and was then under Tuhin Ghosh's tutelage for three years. Composed and arranged music for commercial movies and has to his credit many acclaimed advertising jingles and TV serials title tracks. Being with his family and daughter, writing, listening to music and watching movies are his favourite pastimes. Once in a while, he also manages to rustle up some innovative dishes.

#### **Abhijit Ghosh**

Bassist holding the base of all Bhoomi songs within the four strings. Songwriter and a singer who sometimes hits high harmonies. Initiated into music under the tutelage of eminent musician from Darjeeling, Kesang Tshering and has been associated with music from his school days at Darjeeling followed by representing St. Xavier's College Kolkata, in music festivals winning several credits. Professional debut in 1983. A total family-man and a loving father he spends most of his time net surfing and listening to varied music styles.

#### Robin Lai

Plays the violin, keyboards and is also the sound engineer of Bhoomi. The credit for setting up sound within a very short span of a few minutes is his doing. Robin is a self-taught pianist and a violinist, performing since school. Qualified for the Trinity College Grade IV and played piano for the Calcutta Foundation Orchestra under Fran Caterini. Claims to be interested in contemporary folk because he has already "done" classical, rock and jazz. A computer wiz, he is best appreciated for his easygoing attitude and witty remarks.

#### Hemanto Goswami

Lead guitarist who with his own set of guitars is the quiet one on the stage but equally verbose and expressive through his guitar solos, be they acoustic, electric or nylon string. Learnt guitar from the eminent guitarist Amyt Dutta with special emphasis on blues and rock-n-roll style of guitar playing. Trained in Indian Classical music under the tutelage of Anjali Rana. He is also interested in trekking and rock climbing and other adventurous sports. Happily married, he finds it difficult to fend off adoring fans.

We thank the BHOOMI team for performing in Cleveland, Ohio. We are grateful to them.

BCS executive committee, 2008 thanks everybody who have sponsored, donated, advertised or purchased tickets for this show. We are thankful to all who have provided their selfless help to make this program happen. Most important of all, we are thankful to the audience of this show.

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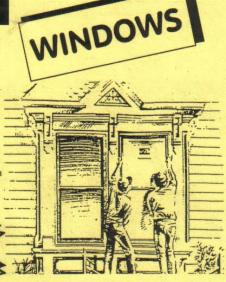
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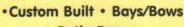
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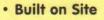


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