



*"India is the cradle of the human race, the birthplace of human speech, the mother of history, the grandmother of legend, and the great grand mother of tradition. Our most valuable and most attractive materials in the history of man are treasured up in India only!" - Mark Twain*

*Let the intellect, intuition and contemplation of the one who strives for self-fulfillment be perfected RigVeda 8.42.3*

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*A deeper understanding of the self with*  
**A Glimpse into India's  
Spirituality**

A comparative look at Eastern and Western approaches to Spirituality

Saturday, August 28, 2004  
Murdoch Hall, ASU - Tempe, AZ  
9:30 AM – 3:00 PM  
Tickets: \$ 15 – Students (\$10)  
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**Every living entity is on a spiritual quest to understand its being.....**

An engaging multimedia presentation rich with imagery, slide shows, dance, music and discussion with renowned scholars and historians.

Learn about the:

- Symbolism in world art – East/West approaches to spiritual traditions
- Similarities between Eastern & Western approaches to spirituality
- The impact of globalization on modern spirituality

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Registration: 9:30 AM – 9:45 AM  
 Opening & Introduction: 9:45 AM – 10:15 AM

**10: 15 AM – 11:15 AM**  
**"Relevance of Indian Spirituality to the West"**

**Dr. Subhash Kak**, Professor in the Asian Studies and Cognitive Science Programs Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge

11:15 AM – 11:30 AM: Cultural Program

**11:30 PM – 12:30 PM**  
**"Spiritual Traditions in Eastern and Western Art"**

**Dr.Nalini Rao** Professor of World Art - Soka University of America

12:30 PM – 1:15 PM : Boxed Lunch (\$ 5)

1:15 PM –1:45 PM: Cultural Program

**1:45 PM –2:45 PM**  
**"Contribution of India to modern global spirituality"**

**Dr. Debashish Banerji**  
 President, East-West Cultural Center, Culver city, CA

2:45 PM –3:00 PM: Closing Remarks

## The Speakers

### Dr. Subhash Kak

Delaune Professor of Electrical Engineering and Professor in the Asian Studies and the Cognitive Sciences Programs (LSU)

Kak is the author of number of books including

*The Architecture of Knowledge: Quantum Mechanics, Neuroscience, Computers and Consciousness (2004), The Gods Within: Mind, Consciousness and the Vedic Tradition. (2002), Computing Science in Ancient India, 2000, The Astronomical Code of the Rig-Veda, 2000 and In Search of the Cradle of Civilization, (Kak, Feurstein and Frawley)*

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### Dr. Nalini Rao

Professor of World Art at the Soka University of America

Rao has a Ph.D in Art History and a Ph.D in Ancient History & Archaeology and is the author of *Boundaries and Transformations (1997) and Royal Artistic Imagery of Vijayanagara (forthcoming)*

Website: <http://www.soka.edu/page.cfm?p=298&start=41>

### Dr. Debashish Banerji

President, East-West Cultural Center, Los Angeles, CA

Banerji is a Ph.D in Indian Art History (UCLA). His publications include *The Sun Temple at Konarak: Astrological and Cosmological Considerations, Development and symbolism of Shiva in Indian spiritual literature, and The Hybridity of Colonial Indian Art and G. Tagore's "cubism"*

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