

The Art of Self Defense



Mr. Nanik Rupani felicitating Glen Levy

Glen Levy is a popular Hollywood star and a leading martial artist who has worked with numerous film stars. He was in India working with Bollywood and Rock Your Life Production Company on a new film based on the Bhagavad Gita called 'The Reluctant Heroes'. Priyadarshni Academy and Indo-American Chamber of Commerce seized the opportunity and arranged a lecture-cum-demonstration program by Glen on "The Art of Self Defense"

at the Walchand Hirachand Hall in Churchgate on 22 May 2013. The program was aimed at training people from all ages, especially women, on the techniques of preventing attacks. The contents of the workshop were created against the background of the dastardly rape case in New Delhi in November 2012 which rocked India and the world. The program was well-received with audience participating enthusiastically in the demonstrations.



Glen Levy doing a demonstration with Rakhi Panda, Regional Director, IACC



CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



Mr. Nanik Rupani

Priyadarshni Academy is completing 29 years of its service to humanity and will be entering its 30th year. It has lived up to its motto of "Service to mankind is the best work of life" till this day. In fact the responsibilities on its shoulder have been mounting day by day and year by year.

Education, the prime focus of the Academy, has witnessed steady increase in the number of scholarships right from its modest beginning in 1987. This was possible only through the overwhelming support and generous contributions from philanthropists and our well-wishers.

We would like to further increase the number of scholarships in the coming years.

The Academy participated in the exhibition and conference in "GIVING BACK-NGO INDIA 2013", an event organized by the United Business Media (UBM) Ltd. The efforts of the Academy, in its pursuit in "giving back to society" were well received and appreciated. We are gearing ourselves to help the corporates in implementing the mandatory CSR responsibilities as and when it is promulgated.

Glen Levy, a noted Hollywood star and one of the leading martial artists on the planet who has worked alongside many well-known stars delivered a lecture-cum-demonstration on "The Art of Self Defense" under the auspices of the Indo-American Chamber of Commerce and Priyadarshni Academy. This program turned out to be an impressive and important one, in the wake of increased crime against women.

The new look "Rainbow" is well-appreciated by many of you. My sincere thanks to one and all.

Nanik Rupani



PRIYADARSHNI ACADEMY PARTICIPATES IN “GIVING BACK-NGO INDIA 2013”

Priyadarshni Academy participated in the event “**GIVING BACK-NGO INDIA 2013**” organized by the United Business Media (UBM) Ltd., at the Bombay Exhibition Centre, Goregaon (E), Mumbai on the 14th and 15th of June 2013. While the Academy put up a stall in the exhibition, its Advisor Mr. S. L. Winston participated in the conference. Over 150 NGOs and a few Corporate and Government agencies engaged actively in the event. The conference focused on the new Companies bill which is likely to be passed in the monsoon session of the Parliament wherein companies with certain profit margins are obliged to spend some percentage of it towards social and charitable causes by way of **Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)** and the involvement of NGOs in implementing the responsibility. A large number of visitors appreciated the efforts of the Academy in fulfilling its motto of “Service



Exuberant visitors at the Academy's stall



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to mankind is the best work of life”. Since we have taken so much from society, it is our duty to give back.

The Academy, in its endeavor to “Give Back”, involves itself in many educational, social and cultural activities. Your association with the Academy can be in one or more of the following ways:

1. By becoming a patron or the coordinator (member) of the Academy
2. By inserting advertisements in our quarterly newsletter which has a circulation of 5000 to 7000 copies
3. By sponsoring annual scholarships to needy and deserving students
4. By sponsoring any of our cultural events
5. Or by entrusting the Academy to implement your CSR responsibilities



CHIEF MINISTER PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN PRESENTS INDO-AMERICAN CORPORATE EXCELLENCE AWARDS



Chief Guest Prithviraj Chavan presenting a trophy to an awardee

Indo-American Chamber of Commerce, West India Council, celebrated its 9th unique Indo-American



Guest of Honor Mr. Dilip Walse-Patil Chavan presenting a trophy



Guest of Honor Mr. Peter Haas being presented a memento

Corporate Excellence Awards in front of a gathering of over 600 business elites at the Trident, Nariman Point, Mumbai, on July 1. Maharashtra State Chief Minister Shri Prithviraj Chavan, Speaker of the Maharashtra State Legislative Assembly Shri Dilip Walse-Patil, and American Consul General in Mumbai Mr. Peter Haas presented the awards. The Chamber also celebrated the 237th American Independence Day concurrently. The awards were for Best Indian Companies in the US and Best US Companies in India in various categories. Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd., KEC International Ltd., Gitanjali Gems Ltd., Danaher Corporation and Honeywell Automation India Limited were among the



Chief Guest and Guests of Honor in a lighter moment

companies which received the awards. Asha for Education was awarded for the best Indian NGO in the US whereas Aegis Ltd., an Indian global outsourcing and technology company focusing on customer experience management, won the overall Best Company Award. IACC Regional President Mr. Nanik



Director Prabhu Deva, producer Kumar Taurani, and actor Girish Taurani of the film unit of 'Ramaiya Vastavaiya' being felicitated by Chief Minister Prithviraj Chavan

Rupani, gave the welcome address. Among others felicitated at the function by Chief Minister Prithviraj Chavan were the film unit of 'Ramaiya Vastavaiya' comprising of Director Prabhu Deva, Producer Kumar Taurani, and actors Girish Taurani and Poonam Dhillon along with Gulshan Grover.



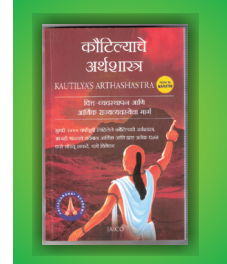
A section of the audience



Academy's "Kautilya's Arthashastra" translated into Marathi

The Academy's popular publication, "Kautilya's Arthashastra: The Way of Financial Management and Economic Governance" is now translated into Marathi language for the benefit of the Marathi speaking population. This book on ancient Indian wisdom which has much relevance to current situations is a boon to individuals, corporate, students and the like. Published by Jaico Publications and very moderately priced, the book is available at all leading book stores and also at the Priyadarshni Academy's office at Nariman Point.

This book is now available in the Iranian "Farzi" language as an "E-book". This version can be bought through the Academy's website. It is already available in Dutch and Gujarathi. Work is on to translate the book in Hindi, German, Russian and a few other Indian languages.



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Mystic dance
Is there a connection between Indian classical dance poses and yoga? Are the elaborate sequences secretly coded with movements that have a bearing on mental and physical well being? The fascinating premise has excited Nanik Rupani enough to commission a team that hopes to come up with a book on the subject. Already a year into the research with inputs coming in from a variety of sources and experts as varied as former danseuse Vyajanti Mala and yoga guru BKS Iyengar, the veteran Sindhi entrepreneur hopes the project will unearth some big surprises. While he's better known for the slew of corporate bodies he represents, this isn't the first attempt by Rupani to contextualise Indian heritage. As IMC president, he had commissioned a team to research Kautilya's *Arthashastra* and interpret it for modern times. What next?



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