



A LIFE'S JOURNEY

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Welcome to Maya Youth in Performing Arts' inaugural showcase of dance and music, "A Life's Journey". Maya is a registered Australian charity with vibrant young people who have come together to express their passion for the performing arts.

Now in its seventh year, Maya's primary objective is to provide a fun-filled and positive platform to foster leadership and the creative visions of Sydney's multicultural youth who have an avid interest and talent in the creative arts. Since its inception, Maya has supported the production of nine shows raising over \$200,000 for various charities and not for profit organisations.

As Maya continues to grow into the future, we aim to deliver an enriching experience for all Maya members, built upon a performing arts platform with the aim of developing a socially aware and engaging community. If you would like to be a part of the Maya community, we encourage you to join us.

**Maathumai Ranjan**

**President**  
**Maya Youth in Performing Arts**

## A LIFE'S JOURNEY



“A Life’s Journey” is a dance and music showcase exploring the emotional journey we all experience at different stages of our lives. The celebration of birth, marriage, graduation, as well as eventual loss of life, is discovered through various styles of choreography and music.

The crispness of classical South Indian dance along with the sensuousness of Argentine Tango, the uplifting energy of the Bollywood, Hip Hop and Broadway, and the emotive exploratory nature of Contemporary dance come together on one stage to highlight the use of dance as a means of story-telling.

A multi-talented live band featuring six vocalists, eleven musicians and a wide array of instruments including percussion, keys, guitars, classical veena and flute integrate the varying styles on stage for an electrifying performance.



At the core of all Maya activities is the desire to give back to the community and to enrich causes which improve the lives of those in our communities. Cancer has impacted the lives of many of us and our families either directly or indirectly in Australia, with one in two men and one in three women being diagnosed in their lifetime. Funds raised from this production will go towards cancer research, the foundation on which improvements in cancer outcomes can be realised.

## **PRODUCTION TEAM**

**Maathumai Ranjan**

Producer & Creative Director

**Sumedh Jayanti**

Producer

**Anjali Cuganesan**

Assistant Producer

**Mathangan Paskarajothy**

Stage Manager and Lighting

**Neythirun Sivanesan**

Assistant Stage Manager

**Anu Ganapathy**

Backstage Manager

**Kalyani Jegendran**

Graphics Designer

## **DANCE TEAM**

**Anusha Puvanendiranathan**

Dance Director

**Durga Shivaji**

Dance Director

## **CHOREOGRAPHERS**

Abi Vaseeharan

Abillash Siva

Anusha Puvanendiranathan

Athiththa Satchithanandha

Balaki Parameshwaran

Belen Silva

Durga Shivaji

Fiona Mali

Jaya Kachwaha

Thripura Hariharan

Piraaaj Singh

Pooja Hariharan

Sharanga Satchidanandam

Shivani Dewan

Sonali Dewan

Tara Grover

Thanuja Kuntumalla

## MUSIC TEAM

**Kasturi Murugavel**

Music Director

**Haresh Nair**

Music Director

**Minh Phan**

Assistant Music Director

**Suraj Ravikumar**

Assistant Music Director

**Soumya Ravikumar**

Assistant Music Director

## MUSICIANS

Abbi Linghanathan	Vocalist
Amrith Nagaraj	Percussion
Ashwin Nair	Bass/Violin
Gopi Iyer	Vocalist
Haresh Nair	Guitar
Joshua Rajendra	Keys
Kasturi Murugavel	Violin/Bass
Lavan Subenthiran	Percussion
Minh Phan	Keys/Guitar
Revathi Venkatesh	Vocalist
Sakthi Satkumaran	Veena
Soumya Ravikumar	Vocalist
Suraj Ravikumar	Percussion
Vaishnavi Bapat	Vocalist
Vaishnavi Pasupati	Keys
Venkatesh Sritharan	Flute
Vijay Narain	Vocalist



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**PERFORMANCE  
STAGES**

## STAGE 1

### CHHALKA CHHALKA RE

From "Saathiya"

Composed by: A.R Rahman

### THE MEDLEY

From "Mujhse Dosti Karoge"

Composed by: Rahul Sharma

### DHOLI TARO DHOL BAAJE

From "Hum Dil De Chuke Sanam"

Composed by: Ismail Darbar

### WEDDING: PARENT EDITION

Our old school, traditional, Indian weddings were as charming and magical as any love story. Except, it didn't just take the boy and girl to tell their story, it took a whole village to celebrate this new beginning!

## CHOREOGRAPHERS

Pooja Hariharan  
Thripura Hariharan

## DANCERS

Andrena Kandiah  
Harsh Solanki  
Jeet Parikh  
Kiran Kannan  
Megha Gupta  
Padma Raghunathan  
Pooja Hariharan  
Tasmiah Aziz  
Thripura Hariharan  
Vinaya Elijala

## STAGE 2

### SKY FULL OF STARS

Composed by: Jon Buckland,  
Will Champion, Guy  
Berryman, Tim Bergling,  
Chris Martin

### UDD GAYE

Composed by: RITVIZ

### BUILDING DREAMS

Every person has unique goals in their life, and the journey taken to reach them is always a beautiful story. Dreams are what inspire us to become better in who we are, and in return, we create a positive impact on the world.

### CHOREOGRAPHER

Thanuja Kuntumalla

### DANCERS

Anagha Chaudhari  
Ankitha Shashidhar  
Ayushi Shah  
Isha Bassi  
Pari Mitte  
Richa Sharma  
Thanuja Kuntumalla  
Viji Baskaran

## STAGE 3

### AARIRO

From "Deiva Thirumagal"  
Composed by: G.V. Prakash  
Kumar

### PI'S LULLABY

From "Life of Pi"  
Composed by: Mychael Danna  
and Bombay Jayashri

### FIRST CHILD

By infusing bharatanatyam  
with kathak, two styles  
renowned for their grace,  
we present the intimate  
experience of having your  
first child and the emotions  
that invokes - Protection,  
Affection and Love

### CHOREOGRAPHER

Sharanga Satchidanandam

### DANCERS

Abi Vaseeharan  
Anusha Puvanendiranathan  
Balaki Parameshwaran  
Jessica Jayakumar  
Keshavi Jeyaseelan  
Manesha Sembu  
Nidhi Daithankar  
Padma Raghunathan  
Sharanga Satchidanandam

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**MUSICAL  
INTERLUDE**

Bedouin Song  
Composed by: Lior

## STAGE 4

### **KULKE DULKE**

From "Befikre"

Composed by: Vishal Dadlani  
and Shekhar Ravjiani

### **LOVE IS A DARE**

From "Befikre"

Composed by: Vishal Dadlani  
and Shekhar Ravjiani

### **SIBLING RIVALRY**

From fighting over clothes to finishing each others sentences, we can't live with them, we can't live without them. Siblings, its us against the world.

### **CHOREOGRAPHERS**

Shivani Dewan  
Sonali Dewan

### **CONTACT**

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Academy  
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### **DANCERS**

Fiona Mali  
Kavisha Sharma  
Nidhi Daithankar  
Nikita Bhatia  
Piraaj Singh  
Priyanka Sriram  
Selani Adikari  
Shivani Dewan  
Shreya Joshi  
Sonali Dewan  
Sukanya Iyer  
Tara Grover

## STAGE 5

### PUMP IT

Composed by: William  
Adams, Allan Pineda, Stacy  
Ferguson, Nicholas Roubanis,  
Thomas Van Musser

### SCHOOLIN' LIFE

Remember that feeling when  
the lunch bell rang and  
you could finally attend  
to what really mattered?  
From hopscotch to a classic  
game of tip, the school  
playground was essential in  
forging lifelong friendships  
and memories.

### CHOREOGRAPHER

Anusha Puvanendiranathan

### DANCERS

Abillash Siva  
Anusha Puvanendiranathan  
Anusha Rajan  
Ashwin Siva  
Darshana Kannan  
Durga Shivaji  
Jaya Kachwaha  
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## STAGE 6

### ISHQ DANCE

From "Jab Tak Hai Jaan"

Composed by: A.R Rahman

### SWAG SE SWAGAT

From "Tiger Zinda Hai"

Composed by: Vishal Dadlani  
and Shekhar Raviiani

### MI GENTE (CEDERIC GERVAIS REMIX)

Composed by: Jose Osorio,  
Willy William, Adam Assad,  
Andres David Restrepo,  
Mohombi Nzasi Moupondo  
Recreated by: Cedric Gervais

### YOUNG ADULT: BREAKING FREE

There's a moment in life when we're forced to figure out who we are. A state of survival as we're thrown out into the wild, into what we call, the workforce. Through the confines of newfound responsibility and corporate structure we navigate our way to our true passions.

### CHOREOGRAPHER

Tara Grover

### DANCERS

Anika Bhatia	Srishti Patil
Fiona Mali	Sukanya Iyer
Minal Bhagwat	Tara Grover
Nischeta Velu	
Piraaaj Singh	
Selani Adikari	
Shivani Dewan	
Sneha Iyer	
Sonali Dewan	



## STAGE 7

### PATETICO

Composed by: Osvaldo  
Pugliese

### FALLING IN LOVE

Argentine Tango is a non-verbal intuitive language that speaks through the embrace. It is an ongoing conversation between two souls, two hearts ... the perfect way to express yourself, when the right words are not to be found. Eternal while it lasts.

### CHOREOGRAPHER

Belen Silva

### CONTACT

[www.belensilva.com](http://www.belensilva.com)

### DANCERS

Members of the  
"Idioma Tango Project"  
("The Tango Language"):

Amy & Chris  
Oscar & Roshni  
Peter & Kim  
Uma & Belen

## STAGE 8

### **KABIRA (ENCORE)**

From “Yeh Jawani Hai Deewani”

Composed by: Pritam

Chakraborty

### **NACHDE NE SAARE**

From “Baar Baar Dekho”

Composed by: Jasleen Royal

### **ZINGAAT**

From “Dhadak”

Composed by: Ajay Gogavale

and Atul Gogavale

### **HIGH HEELS TE NACHCHE**

From “Ki & Ka”

Composed by: Meet Bros

### **CHOREOGRAPHERS**

### **21ST CENTURY INDIAN WEDDING**

Celebrating your child's wedding in any culture is a reason to celebrate, but who would have imagined there would be generational differences within the same culture?

Pooja Hariharan  
Thripura Hariharan

### **DANCERS**

Andrena Kandiah  
Harsh Solanki  
Jeet Parikh  
Kamal Jayakumar  
Kiran Kannan  
Megha Gupta  
Padma Raghunathan  
Pooja Hariharan  
Sanjana Jose  
Tasmiah Aziz  
Thripura Hariharan  
Vinaya Elijala

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**MUSICAL  
INTERLUDE**

Adiye  
Composed by: A.R.Rahman

## **STAGE 9**

### **THE HUMMA SONG**

From "OK Jaanu"

Composed by: A.R Rahman

Recreated by: Badshah &  
Tanishk Bagchi

### **LIFE AFTER MARRIAGE: PART 1**

From harmless flirting to an unbreakable bond, this new chapter celebrates the beginning of a life shared with one another. With a little romance and a lot of fun, these newlyweds live every moment to the fullest, together as one.

### **CHOREOGRAPHERS**

Fiona Mali  
Piraaj Singh

### **DANCERS**

Fiona Mali  
Harsh Solanki  
Kabir Bhasin  
Kamal Jayakumar  
Minal Bhagwat  
Neelaksh Kush  
Nirmit Shah  
Piraaj Singh  
Selani Adikari  
Shivani Dewan  
Smarth Kapoor  
Sneha Iyer  
Sonali Dewan  
Srihari Nair  
Sukanya Iyer  
Tara Grover

## **STAGE 10**

### **CALL OUT MY NAME**

Composed by: Abel Tesfaye,  
Adam Feeney and Nicolas Jarr

### **LIFE AFTER MARRIAGE: PART 2**

Sometimes, there is a madness in love. However, some relationships just aren't worth fighting for, especially when the person you fall for isn't ready to catch you.

### **CHOREOGRAPHERS**

Abillash Siva  
Jaya Kachwaha

### **DANCERS**

Abillash Siva  
Jaya Kachwaha

## STAGE 11

### ZOOBI DOOBI

From "3 Idiots"

Composed by: Shantanu Moitra

Lyrics by: Swanand Kirkire

### LET'S TALK ABOUT LOVE

From "Baaghi"

Composed by: Manj Musik

Lyrics by: Raftarr & Sabbir  
Khan

### DIL DHADAKNE DO

From "Dil Dhadakne Do"

Composed by: Shankar

Mahadevan, Ehsaan Noorani  
and Loy Mendonsa

### EMPTY NESTERS

As we bid farewell to full-time parenting, a journey of rediscovery begins. From reigniting a once young love to reviving some retro dance moves, parents are still young...right?

### CHOREOGRAPHERS

Shivani Dewan  
Tara Grover

### DANCERS

Minal Bhagwat  
Nischeta Velu  
Tara Grover  
Piraaaj Singh  
Selani Adikari  
Shivani Dewan  
Srishti Patil  
Sonali Dewan

## **STAGE 12**

### **METAMORPHOSIS**

Composed by: Anoushka  
Shankar and Nitin Sawhney

### **SHIVA TANDAVA STOTRAM**

Composed by: Uma Mohan

### **LOSS OF LIFE**

Some of the hardest times in life are when we lose our loved ones, and it is even more shattering when the ones we lose are our parents. In such times, we may turn to God, in particular Lord Shiva, as we seek spirituality and strength in these trying times.

### **CHOREOGRAPHERS**

Abi Vaseeharan  
Balaki Parameshwaran

### **DANCERS**

Abhisri Negi  
Abi Vaseeharan  
Anjali Cuganesan  
Balaki Parameshwaran  
Jahnvi Vaseeharan  
Jessica Jayakumar  
Rachana Shastri  
Sharanga Satchidanandam

## **STAGE 13**

### **BREATHLESS**

Composed by: Shankar  
Mahadevan

### **A LIFE WELL LIVED**

At our last breaths of life,  
we come full circle to  
celebrate a life well lived.

### **CHOREOGRAPHERS**

Anusha Puvanendiranathan  
Athiththa Satchithanandha  
Durga Shivaji

### **DANCERS**

Anusha Puvanendiranathan  
Athiththa Satchithanandha  
Durga Shivaji

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Composed by: Pharrell Williams



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