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**KULOVPRESENTS IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THEIR
 SIXTH ANNUAL VALENTINE'S TEA EVENT
 FEATURING TEAS & FLAVORS OF INDIA
 AND BENEFITING THE INTERNATIONAL HUMANITIES CENTER**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2006, 4-8pm
 at the Center for Living Meditation
 220 Pier Avenue (at 2nd Street) in Santa Monica**

with henna painting, tarot readings, bollywood dancing, communal art making, interactive performances & installations, raffle prizes & other surprises, plus free delicious Indian-inspired food, and of course... TEA

\$15 in advance/\$20 at the door
 \$10 in advance /\$15 at the door for students & seniors
 free for children under 12

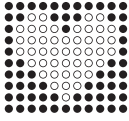
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On the Saturday before Valentine's Day, the small gallery-like space at the corner of Pier Avenue and 2nd Street in Santa Monica, home of the Center for Living Meditation, will be transformed into a microcosm of exotic teas and flavors, celebrating India and its culinary and cultural influences. The event will also feature henna painting, tarot readings, bollywood films & music, communal art making, interactive performances & installations, raffle prizes & quite a few other surprises. All proceeds will benefit The International Humanities Center.

"We produce a tea event around Valentine's Day every year and lend our public relations and marketing skills to a not-for-profit organization of our choice, which we feature as a benefactor to all of the proceeds. For the past five years our events have been private, open only to friends & colleagues, but this year we're opening it to the public for the very first time in the Los Angeles area.", comments Slava, one of the co-producers of this mini-extravaganza.

"We've been based out of LA for the past few years," continues Kulov, "and we've noticed that just as in any major urban area, there is a sense of lack of community. However, it seems more amplified here than in any other American or European place in which we've previously lived and/or worked. Perhaps it's the result of everything being so far and spread out in Los Angeles. Or maybe it's the self-serving influences of the very visible entertainment industry. In any case, this is probably the main reason why we decided to make this a community-building event. We are also involving quite a few local retailers and businesses as part of the support network for this undertaking."

"And just as in the spirit of our programming, we are keeping the ticket prices for this fundraising event quite affordable. We want it to be accessible and people from all facts of life to come and enjoy the festivities", adds Sue Choi, the director for The Center for Living Meditation, which holds weekly yoga & meditation classes and various other workshops for both adults and children.



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In the past, the event organizers have always succeeded in making their happenings fun for the entire family, with lots of playful & amusing interactive features for both adults & children:

“I have a six-year-old son and he had a fantastic time along with other kids at Kulov’s past two fundraisers. As a performer, I’m very happy to be a part of this event. My role last year was as CandieGram. This year, however, it will be kept a secret until the date.” Karen Linderman, one of the participants in this year’s event, cheekily continues.

“And we’ve timed it all accordingly, not only because it’s a tea-time event and thus allow people to bring their children, but also so they could combine attending our fundraiser with other activities on that day, such as Valentine’s shopping beforehand or dinners afterwards at some of the local establishments. And we hope that many will make the effort to come to this wonderful part of Santa Monica from all over the Los Angeles area, as well as from out of state – something which we’ve had happen often in the past.”, says Kokoe Johnson, who’s been producing such events with Kulov for the past decade and who comes to LA from her base near Nashville for every fundraiser.

“We hope to see you all on February 11th at tea time!!!”, the fivesome sum it all up in gleeful and somewhat imperfect unison. Loud and silly laughter follows.

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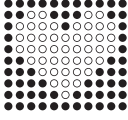
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EVENT ORGANIZERS:

For the past decade **KulovPresents** have periodically lent their marketing, branding and public relations skills to producing events for many arts & activist not-for-profit organizations in both the US and in Europe. Among some are Randolph Street Gallery, The Hyde Park Arts Center, The Museum of Contemporary Art and The EuroFaeries. This is their sixth annual Valentine's Tea event and the first such public one in the Los Angeles area. KulovPresents are currently based in Santa Monica.

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EVENT BENEFACTORS:

The International Humanities Center (IHC) was created in 1998 to foster social and ecological justice, as well as efforts in the realms of peace, education, women's and children's issues, and animal rights. IHC sponsors those projects whose mission is to improve conditions for all beings and their environment. These efforts may be start-up or established, and run the gamut in available financial resources. The increasing need in the community for these type of grassroots efforts prompted the formation of an entity to better facilitate their needs. IHC is this entity.

IHC is a tax-exempt public charity as recognized by the Internal Revenue Service under Section 501[3](c) of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, donations to IHC-sponsored projects are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

310.457.9138 <http://ihcenter.org>

The Center for Living Meditation is a sponsored project of IHC and is run as a service to the community. They offer classes, workshops and events for the whole person: mind, body and soul – providing a space where one can grow as an integrated being through the practice of self-awareness. By coming together for this purpose, they intend to create a network of people who are making soul-to-soul connections, working together to live to our highest potential through meditation in action.

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All proceeds to benefit the **International Humanities Center (IHC)**, a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization. Produced by **Kulov & Slava** for **KulovPresents**. Associate Producers: **Kokoe Johnson** and **Sue Choi**. With performances & art by **Florence Lang**, **Karen Linderman**, **Claudia Choi**, **Sosthen Hennekam**, **Patty Buss** and many more. Henna Paintings by **Renu**. Creative Direction by **Kulov**. Webmaster **Eric Olmstead**. Tickets are not refundable and not exchangeable. Donations to **IHC** are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. © 2006

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