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DATE/TIME
11-Oct-2013 18:30:00

VENUE
Siri Fort Auditorium
Siri Fort Cultural Complex August Kranti Marg, New Delhi, Delhi, DL, 110049, India, IN, IND

DESCRIPTION
Korean Cultural Centre India presents Contemporary Gugak Orchestra on 11th October, 2013 at Sirit Fort Auditorium, Delhi.

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The National Gugak Center, located in Seoul, is the primary institution of learning for Korean traditional music. With a history dating back to the Eumseongso music institute of the Silla Kingdom in the 7th century. It is dedicated to "preserving and promoting traditional Korean music". The Contemporary Orchestra, which is one of the 4 main orchestras at the center is based on traditional Gugak and is heavily promoted through performances.

Airing, a Korean traditional song, the song was inscribed on the UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity programme in 2003.

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The song向き is another popular vocal art that is performed by one person who sings, narrates, and makes gestures while telling a story. The text of pansori is set to rhythm and melody. The sung portion of pansori is called "sori" while the spoken portion (usually explanatory passages) is called "min". A third component, the "ballim" (physical gestures), rounds out the theatrical aspects of this performance. Pansori is performed to rhythmic accompaniment played on the drum barrel by a drummer who shouts out cries of encouragement to the pansori singer. New pansori compositions, called "changak pansori", have emerged in modern times. One composition, about the daily lives of anti-Japanese nationalists, was popular shortly after Korean independence from Japanese colonization. These days, pansori texts about the realities of modern life are seeing popular reception among the younger generation. In 1964, the art of pansori was designated as National Intangible Cultural Asset No. 5. In 2003, it received the honor of being a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage Asset.

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