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The Music and Poetics of Devotion in the Jain and Sikh Traditions

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The devotional music of Jain stavan and Sikh kirtan will be explored in this two-day conference. The event includes two concerts, bringing these distinctive musical styles into dialogue through direct experience. Many similarities can be found between these musico-poetic traditions including historic and geographical links to the 15th-17th c. Indian Bhakti milieu. The conference will discuss primary compositions that serve central functions in daily practice in both traditions. These pieces were written in the pada poetic form, in local dialects, utilizing alliteration and rhyme along with rasa to convey the emotive mood of the poetry. Commonly sung either solo or in community in the genre of folk music, modern as well as traditional styles will be discussed. Both traditions offer the practitioner a meditative experience, leading the mind toward an elevated state of consciousness.



Thursday, February 25th, 2016, 7:30pm-8:30pm

Virchand Gandhi Lecture on Jain Temple Building Projects (Dr. Whitney Kelting) Ahmanson Auditorium, Loyola Marymount University

Friday & Saturday, February 26th & 27th, 9:30am-4pm

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The Music of Devotion in the Sikh and Jain Traditions (Musical Concerts) Ahmanson Auditorium, Loyola Marymount University (Friday) Jain Center of Southern California (Saturday)

Ongoing, February 9th through February 29th, 8am-8pm

The Music of Devotion in the Sikh and Jain Traditions (Library Exhibit) William H. Hannon Library, Loyola Marymount University

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