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**Pacific Asia Museum Announces
Raga Unveiled: India's Voice
A Pacific Asia Museum Film Event**

Pasadena, CA: August 25, 2010 – Pacific Asia Museum presents *Raga Unveiled: India's Voice* on Thursday, September 9, 2010 from 6pm – 10pm. This film event reception will feature some of the region's best Indian food courtesy of Tanzore Restaurant, and a live musical performance by Dr. Seema Hanamsagar, Hemant Ekbote and Gopal Marathe. At 8pm *Raga Unveiled* will be screened under the stars in the Pacific Asia Museum courtyard. Following the screening, director Gita Desai will discuss the film and answer questions.

The legendary musicians, Vedic scholars, musicologists, spectacular cinematography and rare archival footage of *Raga Unveiled* beautifully describe the philosophy and structure of the ancient Vedic tradition that is the basis not only of Raga but of life. Director Gita Desai has always viewed traditional Indian culture and art in all its manifestations with the utmost reverence. From India's philosophical ideas to its food, music and dance, Gita sets out to make films that would capture the richness and sophistication of ancient Indian culture.

Tickets are \$50, and reservations required. RSVP 626.449.2742, ext. 28 or email j.lin@pacificasiamuseum.org. *Raga Unveiled* is part of the 2010 Festival of the Autumn Moon celebration of *A Night at the Taj*. Proceeds from *Raga Unveiled* benefit the museum's many educational programs and innovative exhibitions.

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Pacific Asia Museum is one of only four institutions in the United States dedicated exclusively to the arts and culture of Asia and the Pacific Islands. The museum's mission is to further cultural awareness and understanding through the arts. Since 1971, Pacific Asia Museum has served a broad audience of students, families, adults, and scholars through its education and outreach programs.

Pacific Asia Museum is located at 46 North Los Robles Avenue, Pasadena, California 91101. Museum opens Wednesday through Sunday 10 am to 6 pm. Admission is \$9 general, \$7 students/seniors, and free for children ages 11 and younger. Admission is free every 4th Friday of the month.

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