



FESTIVAL CELEBRATING SOUTH ASIAN CULTURE  
WED 17 AUG - SAT 3 SEPT



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Purvai; warm wind from the east is An Lanntair's festival of South Asian arts and culture, celebrating the surprising and diverse South Asian heritage and connections in the Western Isles.

This year's festival will bring a really special programme of activities, concerts and performances for the whole family to come along and enjoy. There will be everything from Indian classical music from renowned Sitarist, Roopa Panesar and the Asian Blues of Aziz and Dal, to poetry and storytelling from Pakistan, to drumming and arts workshops for all the family. Something for everyone – come along and we look forward to bringing some warm winds from the east to inspire us all! The Purvai Festival has been created from several years of exchange and research in South Asia, involving artist exchanges between the Hebrides and India, and An Lanntair's research project into the Colin Mackenzie collection; the first surveyor general of All India and a collector extraordinaire, whose collection of South Asian antiquities is famous worldwide.

## Purvai at a Glance

Date.....	Event.....	Location .....	Time.....	Cot
Wed 17 Aug....	Roots of the Sun Salutation.....	Hebrides Dance Studio....	7.30pm....	£9
Tues 23 Aug.....	Lahore to Lewis and Harris.....	An Lanntair .....	8pm.....	£5/7
22 – 25 Aug....	Drumming & Singing School Workshops ...	An Lanntair.....	various....	free
Tue 23 Aug.....	Lahore to Lewis and Harris.....	An Lanntair.....	8pm.....	£7/£5
Wed 24 Aug.....	Lahore to Lewis and Harris.....	Mission House Finsbay....	7.30pm....	£5/7
Thurs 1 Sept....	Focas Photography Workshop.....	An Lanntair .....	4pm.....	£5/£3
Thur 1 Sept....	Arpita Shah Artists talk .....	An Lanntair.....	7.3pm....	£5/3
Fri 2 Sept.....	Classical Indian Music for Schools.....	An Lanntair .....	11am....	FREE
Fri 2 Sept.....	Roopa Panesar & Dalbir Singh Rattan.....	An Lanntair .....	8pm....	£15/12
Fri 2 Sept.....	Kathak Indian Dance Workshop.....	Martin's Memoiral Hall.....	5.30pm....	£9/£6
Sat 3 Sept .....	Purvai Family Festival Day.....	An Lanntair .....	All Day....	Free
Sat 3 Sept.....	Shisha Embroidery Workshop .....	An Lanntair .....	10am....	£22/£19
Sat 3 Sept .....	Party at Pictures: Deewar with Aziz & Dal...	An Lanntair .....	6pm .....	£10/7

For more information or to book tickets please visit [www.lanntair.com](http://www.lanntair.com)

You can also call the Box Office on 01851708480

Or call into An Lanntair, Kenneth Street, Isle of Lewis, HS20HS

\*\*For School Booking please contact [moira@lanntair.com](mailto:moira@lanntair.com)







## PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOPS



**As part of Lensational's "Wanderlust of School Girls in Chennai" exhibition, artist Arpita Shah will be running photography workshops for young people exploring themes inspired by the exhibition.**

**Participants will learn new photography skills such as composition and visual storytelling and create a series of images that explore identity, environment and community.**

**Thur 1 Sept, 4-6pm  
An Lanntair and around Stornoway  
£5/£3**

The exhibition will be on display in An Lanntair's Bar 22 Aug - 2 Oct

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# FROM LAHORE TO LEWIS AND HARRIS TRADING STORIES



## A PERFORMANCE OF POETRY, STORIES, AND MUSIC FROM PAKISTAN AND SCOTLAND

Two special cabaret events showcasing the results of a global artistic conversation. Storytellers Shazea Quraishi and Ian Stephen, illustrators Mehreen Fatima and Kate Leiper, and musicians Sara Kasmi and Sarah Hayes reveal the stories, songs and poems which emerged through a cultural exchange organised by Highlight Arts and the Edinburgh International Book Festival.

23 Aug, 8pm at An Lanntair, Kenneth Street, Stornoway  
24 Aug, 7.30pm at The Mission House Studio, Finsbay, Isle of Harris  
£7/£5 concessions







# ROOPA PANESAR - & DALBIR SINGH RATTAN -



**A VERY SPECIAL LATE SUMMER EVENING CONCERT.  
ROOPA PANESAR, ONE OF THE WORLD'S FINEST  
FEMALE SITAR PLAYERS, WILL BE ACCOMPANIED  
ON TABLA BY DALBIR SINGH RATTAN, A VIRTUOSO  
OF THE BENARES GHARANA.**

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# PURVAI

*Family Festival Day - Saturday 3 September*

For full events listings please visit [www.lanntair.com/purvai](http://www.lanntair.com/purvai).



## **Purvai Family Festival Art Club Special: 11 – 3pm**

Join us for a free and informal day of activities for children and families to enjoy together. Indian Kite and Lantern Making: various classes throughout the day. An Lanntair's arts education team will be running a full day of open workshops where families will be assisted to make paper kites and lanterns and decorate them with Indian motifs and stencils.

Free and booking is not essential. Simply come along and take part.

## **Shisha Embroidery Workshop : 10am – 4pm, £22/£19.25**

In this class with designer and writer Chris Hammacott, you will learn about traditional Indian embroidery techniques including Shisha work. You will have the opportunity to make a folded bag using hand embroidery combined with small mirrored and tin shapes.

## **Children's Drumming Performance: 3pm**

Dalbir Singh Rattan will lead the children in a special performance showcasing the rhythms and skills the children have been learning all week in the drumming workshops.

Free and booking is not essential.

## **Kathak Dance Performance: 3.30pm**

We will close the day with a special Indian Kathak Dance solo performance.

Free and booking is not essential.







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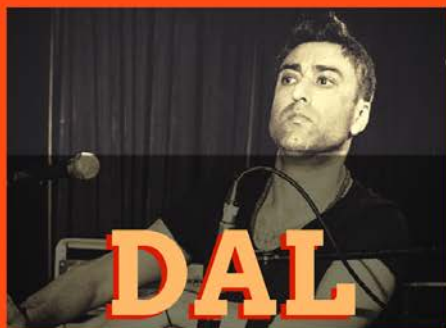
# DEEWAR



Watch the classic Bollywood film, followed by the triumphant return to An Lanntair of "Asian Blues" wizards



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Then dance the night away to a late night Bollywood inspired DJ set from our in house DJs, Deljeem Rai and Fraser Crosbie. In Party at the Pictures style the cinema seats will be pushed back and the auditorium will be decked out with comfy chairs and beanbags, with themed decorations, drinks, and snacks.

Sat 3 Sept, 6pm until late  
£10/£7

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## Purvai Workshops

### **Roots of the Sun Salutation Yoga Class and Sanskrit Chanting**

**Wed 17 Aug, 7.30 - 9pm, £9, Hebrides Dance & Wellbeing Studio**

Yoga teacher Sophie Marsh presents a special Purvai festival class looking at some of the more ancient practices and roots of Yoga.

### **Indian Drumming and Singing Workshops for schools with Dalbir Singh Rattan**

**Mon 22 – Thur 25 Aug, An Lanntair or at your School**

**To book contact [moira@lanntair.com](mailto:moira@lanntair.com)**

Providing children with the opportunity to learn and play Indian percussion instruments. Pupils will enjoy a fun, energetic fully interactive workshop of drumming and singing.

### **'Focus' Photography Workshop**

**Thur 1 Sept 4 – 6pm, £5 / £3, An Lanntair & weather permitting around the town.**

Photographer Arpita Shah will assist and encourage participants to discover new photography skills such as composition and visual story telling. Exploring themes of identity, environment and community.

### **Classical Indian Music Concert for Schools**

**Fri 2 Sept, 11am, An Lanntair**

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A wonderful opportunity for children to attend a performance of classical Indian music of Sitar and Tabla, designed especially for a child audience. Together Roopa and Dalbir will deliver a truly unique performance and inspiring and captivating young minds and music lovers with the beautiful sounds of Indian classical music.

### **Kathak Indian Dance Workshop**

**Fri 2 Sept, 5.30 – 7pm, £9 / £6, Martins Memorial Hall**

Kathak is a classical Indian story telling dance form combining the flow of ballet in the upper body with flamenco feet. No experience require – come along and try!

### **Shisha Embroidery Workshop**

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