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SURYAKUMARI-ELVIN: A MEMORIAL VOLUME

Videsandhra Publications proudly announce the publication of this book to celebrate the life and work of Suryakumari, who died in 2005. It is the result of two years' dedicated research by Dr. G. Krishnamurti. The author has had access to the extensive private archives of Suryakumari in London and has corresponded with scores of individuals and institutions in the U.K., the U.S.A., South Africa, India and several European countries. It will be published in India in November 2007 and in England in February 2008.

Suryakumari-Elvin: A Memorial Volume is a bilingual publication, with contributions in both Telugu and English. It contains contemporary newspaper descriptions and reviews, poems and tributes to Suryakumari, and a large number of specially commissioned articles which record the memories and impressions of Suryakumari's friends and colleagues as they knew her at different stages of her life. The English section includes work by V.A.K. Ranga Rao, Randor Guy, Bill Harpe, Reginald Massey and Ivaturi Anasuya among others. The Telugu contributors include Mullapudi Venkata Ranana, Malati Chandur, Ravu Bala Saraswati Devi and D. Seshagiri Rao. The volume contains a great many photographs of Suryakumari and her family, stills from Suryakumari's films, and pictures of the song-writers, producers and film directors with whom she collaborated during her long and extraordinary career as a singer, dancer and actress. The book has two features of special interest: a comprehensive list of the films in which Suryakumari appeared and a complete listing of the private and film songs she recorded. There is also a detailed genealogical chart of the Tanguturi family.

Suryakumari-Elvin is a large, handsomely produced volume, folio size and printed on superior quality art paper throughout. It will be issued in two different editions.

- (1) A de luxe clothbound edition consisting of 150 numbered copies, of which numbers 1-5 are not for sale. It will have a cover design by the inimitable Bapu and an illustrated dustwrapper. It will be supplied to the purchaser in a stout protective slipcase. It will include two specially commissioned portraits of Suryakumari by Bapu and by the renowned Russian artist Ludmilla Primakoff, a colleague and personal friend of Suryakumari. These mounted, full-colour portraits are loosely inserted in each copy. Price: £75 or \$150 U.S.
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