VOCAL PERFORMANCE BY THE GUNACCHA Brothers

SUNDAY, JULY 4TH AT SHANTI MANDIR, WALDEN





7:45 am Breakfast 9:00 am Guru Gita 10:00 am Kirtan

10:30am Vocal Performance by the Gundecha Brothers
12:00 noon Gurudev Nityananda's Talk

1:00 pm Lunch

Umakant and Ramakant Gundecha are India's preeminent performers and teachers of the ancient temple music known as *Dhrupad*. An ancient genre of North Indian classical vocal music, Dhrupad is a purely spiritual art form. Because it has its origins in the ancient Vedic tradition, Dhrupad music is designed to transport the listeners and singers to a place of total stillness. **Akhilesh Gundecha** will accompany on the Pakhawaj.

The Gundecha Brothers belong to one of Dhrupad's oldest and most illustrious musical lineages, *Dagar Vani*. Since 1985 the Gundecha Brothers have performed frequently in more than 20 countries, achieving international critical acclaim

and achieving their place among India's most talented and dedicated artists.

"The aim of Dhrupad is to get to a higher level of consciousness – where you are sunk into the place where there is no sound, no meaning, no world. That is beyond worldly meaningfulness. Thoughtlessness." – Ramakant Gundecha

The program, including lunch, is free of charge – donations are welcome.

For more information about the Gundecha Brothers and their Dhrupad music, please visit www.dhrupad.org. Samples of their music can be found on YouTube.

We welcome you with Love.

