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It is always a joy to learn of a coming event of cultural significance. The Fourth All India Art Exhibition organised by the Mysore Chitrakala Parishath is such an event and we rejoice looking forward to the rich feast of new exhibits, to the personal contact with new ideas, new interpretations and new Art forms.

By organising these recurring important exhibitions, the Mysore Chitrakala Parishath has made a very praiseworthy contribution to the Art life of Mysore State and Bangalore in particular.

The significance of these Art events can never be over-estimated as they are a source of inspiration, learning and enjoyment to countless people besides being a venue for a living contact between the artists and the public.

The creative experience expressed through the medium of the Arts is an indivisible part of our life and spiritual experience. The Arts educate us, the Arts elevate us, the Arts refine us and serve as a stimulus to our own latent creative abilities.

It is because of the tremendous impact which the Arts have on our life that we must welcome and help every activity that serves to bring nearer to us this vital human expression and experience. The Mysore Chitrakala Parishath deserves our warm thanks and appreciation for the active role it has played in organising and holding these Annual Art Exhibitions, in spite of numerous handicaps and difficulties often unknown to the people who visit these exhibitions. I hope the public and the State will extend to them the support they deserve and help them in their important and enlightened activities.

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