

Rabindra Bharati University and The American Center
present

J H U K I
(RISK)

a theater event conceived and directed by
STEVE CLORFEINE (U.S.A.)

Performances at the Jorasanko campus in the Tagore
House courtyard
Friday - Saturday, 22-23 February at 6 p.m.

Director's Note

This is a theater event, in the genre of Western contemporary performance. I call it an event because it is not a play but an ensemble creation through the workshop process. The content of the performance has been constructed in collaboration with the ensemble, drama students from first year through M.A. second year at R.B.U. Under my direction, over a period of four weeks, they have developed their stories, their movement, their characters, and their costumes. JHUKI is one of the first words that came to my attention when I began the process of developing the piece. A cultural exchange like this is a stretch for everyone. From the beginning I asked the

ensemble to go deeper and further into their experience on the spot; into the feelings, the surrounding of sense perceptions, the dreams and memories that come to them as they are responding to exercises and to the vocabulary of improvisation. This is not "acting" in the conventional sense. The work comes through improvisation. Within the performance, improvised sections remain, so the life of the performance is lived fresh each time.

Steve Clorfeine