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Anna Morcom is Professor of Ethnomusicology at Royal Holloway University of London. She will speak from her book, *Illicit Worlds of Indian Dance: Cultures of Exclusion*, which was awarded the 2014 Alan Merriam prize book award by the Society for Ethnomusicology. In this talk, Professor Morcom covers multiple worlds of Indian dance - from courtesans to the Bollywood fitness craze. She examines male, female and transgender dancers and details the forces of inclusion/exclusion that have shaped these worlds of Indian performing arts.