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The search for other-world audio gems

**Beyond Bollywood.** The Berklee Indian Ensemble was launched in 2011 by **Annette Philip**, the Boston music college's first faculty member to specialize in Indian music. The ensemble celebrates its first decade with *Shuruaat* (Hindi for "beginning"), a promising debut collecting live pieces recorded over the past several years on which Indian music stars augment the ensemble's multinational membership. The best pieces – including the Shakti composition "Lady L" (featuring percussion superstar **Zakir Hussain**) and "Sati" (featuring renowned vocalist **Vijay Prakash**) – draw on the ecstatically virtuosic and unabashedly fusion-friendly spirit of India's ultra-popular *Coke Studio* TV program.