

# GEETANJALI SHARMA

## RENOWNED FOLK & KATHAK EXPONENT

Canonized as the pride of 'Braj', Geetanjali is a renowned Kathak & Folk Exponent. She is known as the eternal *Radha* of *Braj* who has devoted her life to uplift the art of *Braj*. At a tender age Geetanjali has gained such a repute that it is hard and virtually almost impossible to talk about the '*Mayur Raas*' or the '*Holi of Braj*' without mentioning her name.

Geetanjali Sharma is a senior disciple of Pandita Uma Dogra who is a senior Kathak Guru and disciple of a doyen of Jaipur Gharana Pandit Durga Lal Ji.

Geetanjali's performances have always been highly appreciated by her audience. While she assumes the being of *Radha* and appears on the stage to give meaning to the same, the spectators are simply carried away with the ecstatic performance. The performance has the power to mesmerize the audience and make them believe in the character of *Radha*.

Geetanjali Sharma started her journey from the stage shows and soon after which she entered into an international arena. The numerous performances across India, UK, Mexico, China, Dubai and many other countries have been mesmerizing. In India she has performed like *Khajuraho* festival, *Lucknow* festival, *Taj Mahotsav*, *Badal Raag*, *Pt. Durga Lal* festival, *Jhansi Mahotsav*, *Swami Haridas Mahotsav*, *Common Wealth Games* and many more. she has done almost 1500 shows across the globe.

Her performances have won her many honors and awards. Geetanjali has been awarded with *Yash Bharti Samman*, by Govt of Uttar Pradesh in 2015. She was honored with *Ustaad Bismillah Khan Award*, by *Sangeet Natak Akademy* in 2011. She received *National Youth Award* in 2010. In the year 2002 her performance enticed every guest at the Prime Minister House and got appreciations and Blessings from our former Prime Minister Bharat Ratna Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Ji. In 2006 she got honored by the current Prime Minister & the then CM of Gujrat Shri Narendra Modi Ji.



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#### SPECIAL PERFORMANCES :

- Dubai Expo , 2020 Dubai (UAE) 2021
- "La nao de China International festival" of Acapulco Mexico 2009
- "Singapore Village Festival" Singapore 1999
- "Republic Day 2002" at Rajpath.
- "Pt Durga Lal festival" Mumbai – 2015
- "Island Festival Andaman & Nicobar " – 2008
- "Participation in Common wealth games – 2010
- "Participation in Youth delegation to China – 2010
- "Performance in Bedford , United of Kingdom – 2011
- "Khajuraho festival" – 2014
- "Badal Raag festival" – 2016
- "Raindrops Festival" - 2013



## **ACHIEVEMENTS : Rewards & Honour**

- National Youth Scholarship Award by Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India. 2005
- National Youth Award 2010 by Ministry of Youth & Sports Govt. of India.
- National Fame Artist Award, AsthaShrangar Society 2007.
- Brij Natya Award 2000.
- Miss U.P. Award 2004
- Miss Naajneen-e-taj, Agra 2003
- Honored by Indian Red Cross Society, Mathura
- Honored by Governor of Chhattisgarh. Occasion of Raj Utsav Chhattisgarh.
- Ustad Bismillah Khan YuvaPurashkar 2013 by Sangeet NatakAkadamy, New Delhi
- Yash Bharti Samman 2015 by Uttar Pradesh Govt.
- VipraMahila Shiromani Samman - 2013
- Hindi Seva Samman Mumbai – 2015
- Brij Bhasha Evam Sahitya Samman by Hema Malini – 2016
- Leading Women of Mathura by Khajani, Mathura 2016
- Aradhna Samman 2016



## SOME OF THE MAJOR FESTIVALS IN INDIA :

- "Lucknow Mahotsav" – (Uttar Pradesh)
- "Ganga Mahotsav" Varanasi - (Uttar Pradesh)
- "Taj Mahotsav" Agra – (Uttar Pradesh)
- "Dance Festival" – (Andhra Pradesh)
- "Vaishali Mahotsava"- (Bihar)
- "Bharat Parv" Sahara India Lucknow – (Uttar Pradesh)
- "SoorajkundFestival" Faridabad – (Haryana)
- "Pata annual conference" – (Delhi)
- "Fete-de – Pondicherry" 2000 (Pondicherry)
- "Mahabharat festival Kurukshyetra" – (Haryana)
- "Sambhavna 2005" Mau – (Uttar Pradesh)
- "Lok Tarang Festival" – (Delhi)
- "Lokrang Festival" – Bhopal – (Madhya Pradesh)
- "Vibrant Festival" Gandhinagar – (Gujrat)
- "Gopalpur beach Festival" – (Orissa)
- "BetavaMahotsava" Vidisha – (Madhya Pradesh)
- "Lokranjan Festival" Khajuraho – (Madhya Pradesh)
- "PanchmariMahotsava" – (Madhya Pradesh)



- "SharadotsavChitrakoot" – (Madhya Pradesh)
- "Gwalior Mela" – (Madhya Pradesh)
- "Noida Festival" – (Uttar Pradesh)
- "Malva Mahotsava" Indore – (Madhya Pradesh)
- "RajimMahotsava" Raipur – (Chhattisgarh)
- "Kalidas Samaroh" Ujjain – (Madhya Pradesh)
- "HaridasSamaroh" Lucknow – (Uttar Pradesh)
- "National Youth Festival" Patna – (Bihar)
- "Ek Sham ShaheedonKe Naam" – (Indian Redcross Society)
- "Annual Function" Civil Defence Dist. Organization.
- "JilaUtsava, Davangera" – (Bangalore)
- "Haridas Sangeet Samaroh" Vrindavan – (Uttar Pradesh)
- "RajgeerMahotsava" – (Bihar)
- "Brij Raj Mahotsava" Mathura – (Uttar Pradesh)
- "Annual day Function" Lal bahadur Shastri. Academy, Masoori- (Uttarakhand)"
- "On Occasion of All India Band Competition" TibbatSima Police Dehradun – (Uttarakhand)
- Island Festivals
- Thawe festival, Bihar
- Deva festival

