

Born into the **family** of the legendary **Hindu philosopher of Vedanta, Swami Ram Tirtha**, Divya believes, '**Dance is each moment lived to the optimum, with complete abandon and total awareness**.'

Divya Goswami has been initiated into the Lucknow Gharana of Kathak under the able guidance of Guru Yogini Gandhi, at Pune. She continued her journey into Kathak, under the tutelage of the Great Maestro, Late Guru Munna Shukla Ji. With a great command over both, the rhythmic (nritta) and emotive (nritya) aspects, she has performed at numerous Dance Festivals, Concerts and Lecture-Demonstrations in India and abroad.

Divya has been bestowed with the coveted National Award of India 'Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Purushkar' by the apex body of performing arts in India, Central Sangeet Natak Akademi. She is also a recipient of the prestigious National level title 'Singar Mani'. Amongst her many feats, she is an ICCR Empaneled artist and an A Grade Doordarshan artist.

**Divya is a TEDx speaker and performer.** She also conducts **workshops and lecture demonstrations** for the nationwide movements, **SPICMACAY** and **BAITHAK**. She has extensively worked in collaboration with **Chandigarh Sangeet Natak Akademi** and **Government of Chandigarh**, conducting workshops **by means of non-formal education**.

To promote, preserve and propagate Indian Classical Arts, Divya has established 'Divyakala'; a creative venture showcasing her versatility as a dancer, teacher, storyteller, writer, and compere.

Divya envisages a 'Satsang', a proximity to the truth, where with patience, complete awareness & a total surrender; we together move towards a meditative silence through the art forms of India. Dance and Arts, for Divya, is her Sadhana, love, surrender, and a way of life.