#### NUPUR

Nupur is the Indian classical dance society of the College which strives to celebrate and continue the rich heritage of Indian classical dance within the Institution, and provide opportunities to its students in achieving excellence in the sphere of Indian classical dance. It

is one of the oldest societies of the College and performs in all its major events. The society is dedicated to spread awareness and appreciation for the traditional performing arts, and conducts workshops and lecture-demonstrations regularly, towards achieving this aim. The society and its students have received numerous awards and have been invited to perform at prestigious events outside the college, like the Vice Regal Lodge, University of Delhi and the First Lalit Kala Akademi International Festival.



Convenors: Mrs. Nirmala Murlidhar, Ms. Charu Kala and Mr. Ankan Dhar

#### **Annual Day Performance**

On the Annual Day function on 5 April 2018, the society presented its ballet production *Streetva*, which contrasted the mythical and contemporary conceptions of womanhood.

The Youtube link of the video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zmwm9czYYh4





Glimpses from the Annual Day performance on 5 April 2018

## Performance at Alumnae Meet

On 17 March 2018, the Society performed at the Alumnae Meet of the College, presenting its first Indo-western fusion choreography.

The Youtube link of the video: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\_NhaJza4GAs</u>



Nupur students presenting a Indo-western fusion at the Alumnae Meet on 17 March 2018

### First International Kala Mela organised by the Lalit Kala Akademi

The society was invited to represent Indian classical dance at the First International Kala Mela, organised on 9 February 2018. It was organised by the Lalit Kala Akademi at the Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts.



Glimpses from the First International Kala Mela on 9 February 2018

Performance at Convention Centre, University of Delhi

On 5 February 2018, the Society was invited to perform at the Convention Centre, University of Delhi, by Shaheed Bhagat Singh College at their International Conference.



Performance at the Convention Centre, University of Delhi on 5 February 2018

#### Performance at Vice-Regal Lodge, University of Delhi

The Society was invited to perform at the Vice-Regal Lodge of the University of Delhi, at the Lecture Series organised by the School of Transnational Studies on 17 January 2018. The performance, in the presence of the, then, Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof Yogesh Tyagi, was photographed and uploaded on the website of the University.



# Students with the Vice-Chancellor Prof. Yogesh Tyagi; performance at Vice-Regal Lodge on 17 January 2018

#### Aradhi, Indian Classical Dance Competition

The society organised its solo inter-college Indian classical dance competition – Aradhi, on 12 January 2018. The judges were Ms Pratibha Jena Singh and Ms Sohini Chattopadhyay, exponents of Odissi and Kathak, respectively. The first prize was awarded to Ms Tejasvini Sharma of Hansraj College; second prize to Ms Aishwarya Nair and the third prize to Mr Raghav Monga of Sri Venkateswara College. Special appreciation certificates were given to Ms Srilakshmi Nair of Kalindi College and Ms Malavika Ajikumar of Daulat Ram College.

### Nupur Performance at Symphony Inaugural

In consonance with the theme of Symphony, the Society choreographed *Suryagni*, with representations of the sun in Indian mythology and dance, as part of the Inaugural Function on 10 January 2018.



A Glimpse of Suryagni on Symphony Inaugural Function on 10 January 2018

## Kathak Workshop

On 31 October 2017, the society organised a Kathak Workshop for its students. Ms. Sohini Chattopadhyay, taught them advanced techniques of Kathak choreography.



Ms Sohini Chattopadhyay with students at the Kathak Workshop on 31 October 2017

#### Cultural Programme at the NAAC Peer Team's visit

The Society was chosen to conclude the cultural programme organised for the NAAC Peer Team's visit to the College, on 28 August 2017. In the piece – *Charishnu*, the students presented a choreography of four forms – Kathak, Bharatnatyam, Odissi and Kathakali in a single, continuous *tala*.

#### **Nupur Auditions**

The Society organised its annual auditions on 11 August 2017 to induct new members who are trained in Indian classical dance.

#### Performance at Founder's Day Function

On 1 August, 2017, at the Founder's Day Function of the College, the society presented its group performance 'Nataraja'. The choreography was a fusion of Odissi and Bharatnatyam, and explicated the twin aspects of Lord Shiva's dance – *anandatandava* and *rudratandava*.

The Youtube link of the video: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9HzdGc8uwOA&t=210s</u>



Some glimpses of the Founder's Day Performance on 1 August 2017