

Proteeti Bhattacharjee

Proteeti Bhattacharjee has been groomed in Kathak under the able guidance of guru Smt. Vaswati Misra since the age of 4. She graduated top of her class and holds a diploma from the prestigious Kathak Kendra, New Delhi and Visharad under Guru-Shishya parampara from Pandit Shambhu Maharaj Kathak academy, New Delhi. She was introduced to the professional stage from early on and performed in prestigious dance festivals in India and abroad as a member of "Dhwani" repertory founded by her guru and participated in choreographic compositions of legendary Pt. Birju Maharaj. She has toured with the Indian Council of Cultural Relations (ICCR) with her guru to Bangladesh, Europe and nations of South America including performances at the 7th Vishwa Hindi Sammelan at Suriname. She has been featured on television, performed at an Indo-Japan exchange program and has delivered noted solo performances at "Saratchandrika" and "Dikshantoutsav", organized by Kathak Kendra New Delhi; "Nidagh", organized by Dhwani and has performed for Padatik Kala Sangam, Kolkata. She has performed solo at various cultural events organized in Heidelberg (Germany). Proteeti has imparted Kathak lessons and organized several workshops in Germany and Netherlands. Her performance highlights in Netherlands in the last five years include: Continuum, Sep 2019, Amsterdam at launch of her initiative Art Uncurated; Spirit of Unity, organized by Saraswati Arts, 2019, Amsterdam; Kathak workshop, organized by Natya Sudha, Feb 2020, Utrecht; Rhythms and Reflections, Korzo India Dans Festival, May 2020; Sur and Taal (online); June 2020; Gandhi Lecture and Exhibition; De Kloosterkerk, The Hague, Oct 2022; Kathak workshop, Our Campus, Diemen, Oct 2022.

Proteeti is a gold medalist in MSc Molecular and Human Genetics from Banaras Hindu University, India and holds a PhD in molecular biology from European Molecular Biology Laboratory, Heidelberg, Germany. She currently works at the Netherlands Cancer Institute, Amsterdam as Scientific Project and Communications Manager for international breast cancer projects. Proteeti appreciates and values the beauty in the "lateral connect" of her training in both fields of science and performing arts.

"Curiosity and creativity are intrinsic to science, arts and human consciousness." Proteeti Bhattacharjee