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Announcement of Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar for the Year 2010
by Sangeet Natak Akademi

The Sangeet Natak Akademi, National Academy of Music, Dance and Drama, the apex body of performing arts in the country, has selected 33 artists of India upto the age of 40 years who have made a mark in their respective fields of performing arts for Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar 2010. The Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar was introduced in the year 2006 with the objective of giving national recognition to outstanding talents in diverse fields of performing arts. The names of the selected artists are as under:

Music - No of Puraskar 8

Manjusa Sandip Patil and Kaushiki Desikan for Hindustani Vocal Music; Suyog Kundalkar (Harmonium) and Ashutosh Upadhyay (Pakhawaj) for Hindustai Instrumental Music; Savita Narasimhan for Carnatic Vocal Music; Embar Kannan (Violin) and G Guruprasanna (Kanjira) for Carnatic Instrumental Music; Alankar Singh for Other Major Traditions of Music – Gurbani of Punjab.

Dance - No. of Puraskar 8

Praveen Kumar (Bharatanatyam), Pallabi De (Kathak), M Amaljith (Kathakali), Yeleswarapu Srinivasulu (Kuchipudi), Arushi Mudgal (Odissi), Naren Barua (Sattriya), Madhu Natraj (Creative Dance) and Yogesh Gangani (Music for Dance –Tabla for Kathak).


Theatre -No. of Puraskar 8

Meeta Mishra and S Thaninleima for Direction; Anita Shabdeesh, Danish Iqbal, Dakshina Sharma and Pakija Begum for Acting; Rajesh K V (Lighting) for Allied Theatre Arts; Srikanth Natarajan for Major Traditions of Theatre – Bhagavata Mela of Tamil Nadu.

Other Traditional/Folk/Tribal Dance, Music, Theatre & Puppetry - No. of Puraskar 8

U Natrajan for Folk Dance (Tamil Nadu), Arti Kale Nagarkar for Lavani (Maharashtra), Ahongshangbam Priyarani Devi for Folk Music (Manipur), Fakira Khan for Folk Music (Rajasthan), Manzoor Ul Haq for Soofiyana Kalam (Jammu and Kashmir), Kanjuram Salaam for Tribal Dance (Chhattisgarh), Danish Hussain & Mehmood Farukke (Joint Puraskar) for Dastangoi – Folk Narrative (Uttar Pradesh) and Hanumathu Rao for Tolu Bommalatta (Puppetry of Andhra Pradesh).

Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar carries a purse money of Rs 25,000/- (Rupees twenty five thousand only). The Yuva Puraskar will be presented at a special ceremony, presided over by the Chairman, Sangeet Natak Akademi in the coming months. List of recipients is attached.


Helen Acharya
Acting Secretary
Sangeet Natak Akademi

**SANGEET NATAK AKADEMI
NEW DELHI**

RECIPIENTS OF USTAD BISMILLAH KHAN YUVA PURASKAR 2010

FIELD OF ACTIVITY - MUSIC

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| 1. MANJUSHA SANDIP PATIL | - | HINDUSTANI VOCAL |
| 2. KAUSHIKI DESIKAN | - | HINDUSTANI VOCAL |
| 3. SUYOG KUNDALKAR | - | HINDUSTANI INSTRUMENTAL (HARMONIUM) |
| 4. ASHUTOSH UPADHYAY | - | HINDUSTANI INSTRUMENTAL (PAKHAWAJ) |
| 5. SAVITA NARASIMHAN | - | CARNATIC VOCAL |
| 6. EMBAR KANNAN | - | CARNATIC INSTRUMENTAL (VIOLIN) |
| 7. G GURUPRASANNA | - | CARNATIC INSTRUMENTAL (KANJIRA) |
| 8. ALANKAR SINGH | - | OTHER MAJOR TRADITIONS OF MUSIC –
GURBANI OF PUNJAB |

FIELD OF ACTIVITY: DANCE

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| 1. PRAVEEN KUMAR | - | BHARATANATYAM |
| 2. PALLABI DE | - | KATHAK |
| 3. M. AMALJITH | - | KATHAKALI |
| 4. YELESWARAPU SRINIVASULU | - | KUCHIPUDI |
| 5. ARUSHI MUDGAL | - | ODISSI |
| 6. NAREN BARUA | - | SATTRIYA |
| 7. MADHU NATRAJ | - | CREATIVE DANCE |
| 8. YOGESH GANGANI | - | MUSIC FOR DANCE (TABLA FOR KATHAK) |

FIELD OF ACTIVITY: THEATRE

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| 1. MEETA MISHRA | - | DIRECTION |
| 2. S THANINLEIMA | - | DIRECTION |
| 3. ANITA SHABDEESH | - | ACTING |
| 4. DANISH IQBAL | - | ACTING |
| 5. DAKSHINA SHARMA | - | ACTING |
| 6. PAKIJA BEGUM | - | ACTING |
| 7. RAJESH K V | - | ALLIED THEATRE ARTS (LIGHTING) |
| 8. SRIKANTH NATARAJAN | - | OTHER MAJOR TRADITIONS OF THEATRE –
BHAGAVATA MELA OF TAMIL NADU |

FIELD OF ACTIVITY : TRADITIONAL / FOLK / TRIBAL DANCE/ MUSIC/ THEATRE AND PUPPETRY

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| 1. U NATRAJAN | - | FOLK DANCE, TAMIL NADU |
| 2. ARTI KALE NAGARKAR | - | LAVANI, MAHARASTRA |
| 3. AHONGSHANGBAM PRIYARANI DEVI | - | FOLK MUSIC, MANIPUR |
| 4. FAKIRA KHAN | - | FOLK MUSIC, RAJASTHAN |
| 5. MANZOOR UL HAQ | - | SOOFIYANA KALAM, JAMMU & KASHMIR |
| 6. KANJURAM SALAAM | - | TRIBAL DANCE, CHHATTISGARH |
| 7. DANISH HUSSAIN & MEHMOOD FARUKE
(JOINT PURASKAR) | - | DASTANGOI- FOLK NARRATIVE
UTTAR PRADESH |
| 8. HANUMANTHU RAO | - | TOLU BOMMALATTA
(PUPPETRY OF ANDHRA PRADESH) |