

SHEEJITH KRISHNA
Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar
Bharatanatyam



Shri Sheejith Krishna was born on
in Kerala. The son of dancer parents,
Shrimati Manorama Balakrishnan,

29 May 1973 at Puthiyaparabu village
Shri Kannur Balakrishnan and
he received his initial training from

his parents. He also received training in the Mridangam from Kalamandalam Ramakrishnan, in the Ghatam from Shri T.M. Vinayakaram, and in vocal music from Shri S. Rajaram and Shri Chellam Iyengar. He is at present working with the repertory company of Kalakshetra, Chennai, where he obtained his post-graduate diploma in 1995. Since then, he has been dancing principal roles in productions of the Kalakshetra's repertory company.

Shri S. Krishna has made a mark as a solo Bharatanatyam dancer with his sense of rhythm, body control, and range of expression. His talent as a dancer has also found expression particularly through his choreographic work. His choreography is included in the syllabus of Kalakshetra, and is taught as part of the dance course. His productions with groups include Marthyan, Swapna Rag, and Bhajan Narthanamrutham. His portrayal of Rama, Ravana and Kuchela in Rukmini Devi's dance-dramas have earned him much acclaim.

He has received several awards for his work including the Best Senior Dancer award conferred by Narada Gana Sabha and the Yuvakalabharathi given by Bharata Kalachar.

Shri Sheejith Krishna receives the Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar for his notable talent in the field of Bharatanatyam.

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