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Seminar Spotlight

At Bagbazar Gaudiya Math, renowned exponent Dr. Mahua Mukherjee, Jhumur Ghosh, and SVFAC Secretary Amit Kumar Banerjee engaged in an insightful discussion focusing on the national revival of Gaudiya Nritya, Bengal's classical dance tradition.



Festival Spotlight

Vivek Dance Festival 2026: A Grand Celebration of Rhythm

The Swami Vivekananda Foundation of Art and Culture organized its premier two-day national "Vivek Dance Festival" at Konnagar Rabindra Bhavan. Directed by Festival Director Debopama Mukhopadhyay, this grand celebration brought together over 250 exceptionally talented traditional dancers from across India, beautifully uniting diverse regional artistic styles on one prestigious stage.

The event was graced by eminent dance gurus and personalities including Arnab Bandopadhyay, Bobby Chakraborty, Debasis Basu, Satyajit Debnath, Mahua Mukherjee, and Keya Chanda. Celebrating lifetime dedication to the arts, fifty revered masters received the "Vivek Acharya Samman," while promising new talents were honored with the inspiring "Vivek Prerana" awards to enrich the future.

UPCOMING EVENTS

* SVFAC Convocation 2026

September 6, 2026

Top yearly rankers receive recognition while selected gurus receive prestigious Vivek Ratna.

* Bharatanatyam Workshop In October, 2026

Learn traditional mudras and expressive abhinaya secrets from legendary Indian dance gurus.

* Classical Music Festival In September, 2026

Experience an enchanting evening featuring Indian classical ragas and brilliant Tabla performances.

Words of Blessing

I am deeply inspired by your dedicated efforts to preserve India's cultural heritage. Let us stay focused on our spiritual roots, nurture promising young talents, and spread cultural unity across all communities. Keep moving forward with absolute dedication!

- Swami Sradhyamayandanapuri Maharaj (COF)



Art Feature

Nurturing Young Artistic Minds

Step into the vibrant world of colors at Swami Vivekananda Model School in Suri, Birbhum. Organized by SVFAC INDIA, 2022 marked the third successful edition of this prestigious district-wise "SRISTI" drawing competition since 2013.

Young minds from across the district converged to express immense creativity, transforming simple blank canvases into an extraordinary and vibrant cultural celebration of art.



"Artistic minds bloom beautifully when given a grand creative platform."

Nurturing Creative Talents



Continuous online and offline yoga competitions have successfully showcased outstanding artistic discipline since 2022.



Talented performers have beautifully showcased classical dance formats across both virtual and live stages since 2022.



Classical dance forms, alongside Rabindra and Nazrul Nritya, have continuously enriched our annual competitions.



Inspiring recitation and art contests have run smoothly from 2022 to 2026, uncovering brilliant creative minds.



Foundation Honors

VIVEK RATNA AWARD: Celebrating Masters of Indian Art

The prestigious Vivek Ratna Award, instituted by SVFAC India, stands as a premier national honor celebrating distinguished Gurus and eminent personalities who have dedicated their lives to preserving India's rich cultural heritage. Inspired by Swami Vivekananda, this award recognizes exceptional lifelong contributions to classical dance, music, education, and cultural development across the entire nation.

"Honouring excellence, preserving heritage, and inspiring future generations."

—SVFAC India

Join the Movement!

Ready to showcase your artistic skills or register for upcoming competitions? visit our website to start your creative journey today.



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HIGHLIGHTS

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Feature Story

UNMESH: A Grand Cultural Gathering Marks Mega Success.

On August 22nd, our massive offline cultural tournament, UNMESH, successfully took center stage at the historic Gaudiya Math in Bagbazar, Kolkata. The grand event witnessed an overwhelming response, drawing over 600 enthusiastic candidates who arrived from various districts to passionately showcase their hard-earned skills across a wide spectrum of traditional performing arts.

The venue buzzed as participants competed in Classical Dance, Recitation, Rabindra Nritya, Folk Dance, and Yoga. The day beautifully highlighted India's rich cultural heritage through standard-setting performances and exceptional growth. Achievers were proudly honored, marking a spectacular milestone in our continuous journey of nurturing and discovering next-generation artists.



From the Secretary's Desk

SVFAC India is deeply dedicated to nurturing talent and preserving our heritage. Through platforms like UNMESH, we inspire young minds to express their creativity and confidently carry our traditional arts forward.

— Amit Kumar Banerjee (Secretary, SVFAC INDIA)

Team Spotlight

Meet the Visionaries

We proudly spotlight our dedicated leadership team: Chief Advisor Ratnamani Jhumur Ghosh, Vice President Rupla Banerjee, Treasurer Chayan Das Thakur, alongside Theater Artist and Creative Writer Anirban Ghosh, driving our cultural mission forward.



Quick Updates



New Initiative: Short Diploma Course in Dance, Music, & Art.



Workshop: Upcoming specialized Classical Dance and Art sessions.



Event: Convocation 2026 on Sept 6 at Ajitesh Mancha, Dum Dum.

Event Showcase

Loi Lohori 2026: A Grand Celebration of Musical Talent.

The grand offline Loi Lohori Music Competition 2026 successfully concluded at the Narain Dass Bangur Memorial Multipurpose School in Kolkata. Over two unforgettable days, the venue transformed into a vibrant hub of musical brilliance. The event beautifully showcased an exceptional display of artistic passion, traditional culture, and emerging talents, uniting promising performers from various regions on a singular platform.

Behind the scenes, our dedicated team worked tirelessly alongside educators to coordinate this massive musical gathering. The competitive spirit remained remarkably high across all categories as young artists showcased their precise training, unique vocal abilities, and instrumental expertise, reflecting the deep hours of practice put into mastering their art.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all the talented participants, dedicated Gurus, respected judges, supportive parents, and the wonderful audience. Your enthusiastic presence and collective support made this grand event an overwhelming success, marking a spectacular milestone for our musical community.



Dance Workshop

Masterclass in Motion

We proudly highlight our Chief Advisor, Ratnamani Jhumur Ghosh, leading an exclusive Kathak dance workshop on January 17–18, 2026, at Indoshree Studio, Dum Dum, nurturing passionate junior and senior dance batches.



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LIPIKA 2026: A National Live Online Recitation Competition

The Swami Vivekananda Foundation of Art and Culture proudly launched LIPIKA 2026 on Saturday, July 4th. This massive live online elocution tournament and workshop spans across four distinct age groups, inviting talented participants nationwide to celebrate legendary poets like Sukumar Ray, Kazi Nazrul Islam, Sukanta Bhattacharya, Nirendranath Chakrabarty, and Shakti Chattopadhyay.

Conducted entirely via virtual stages using landscape-oriented setups, the ongoing event judges participants on strict elocution, memorization, and artistic presence. The top five elite achievers from each group will be proudly invited to receive their prestigious special mementos and embossed medals live at our Annual Convocation this September.



**"DISCIPLINE, INTENSE FOCUS,
AND BALANCED LIVING SPARK
TRUE CHANGE. ONE ASANA,
ONE HABIT, ONE HEALTHY
FUTURE."**

—Yoga Champion, UNMESH 2025

OUR FUTURE VISION & PLANS

SVFAC INDIA — Preserving Heritage, Inspiring Tomorrow

The Swami Vivekananda Foundation of Art and Culture (SVFAC INDIA) looks towards the future with a clear vision—to preserve India's rich artistic heritage while creating new opportunities for the next generation of artists.

In the coming years, SVFAC aims to expand its presence across India through national and international competitions, cultural festivals, workshops, examinations, seminars, exhibitions, and performance platforms. The Foundation will continue collaborating with schools, academies, institutions, gurus, and artists to create meaningful opportunities for artistic learning and recognition.

A major focus will remain the preservation of the Guru-Shishya Parampara and the promotion of Indian Classical Dance, Classical Music, Rabindra Sangeet, Rabindra Nritya, Nazrul Geeti, Recitation, Visual Arts, and other traditional art forms. SVFAC also plans to strengthen recognition programmes, awards, rankings, and special opportunities for talented artists and dedicated gurus. Technology will be an important part of this journey.

The SVFAC Participants Dashboard will continue to evolve, providing participants with easy access to their results, marks, certificates, India Rank, State Rank, upcoming events, and permanent SVFAC ID Cards. The Foundation also envisions developing a comprehensive digital archive of its growing cultural community.

With 40,000+ participants, 10,000+ artists and gurus, 100+ events, and outreach across 25+ states, SVFAC INDIA is steadily building a strong national cultural network.

Looking ahead, SVFAC aspires to take Indian art and culture to international platforms through cultural exchanges, collaborations, festivals, and global artistic initiatives.

Our vision is simple yet powerful: preserve our roots, nurture artistic excellence, empower the next generation, and carry India's cultural legacy towards the world.



Cultural Relations & Dialogue

SVFAC Leadership Meets Higher Education Minister

SVFAC India Secretary Shri Amit Kumar Banerjee paid a courtesy visit to Shri Jagannath Chattopadhyay, the Honorable Minister for Higher Education and Technical Education, Government of West Bengal. They shared the foundation's milestones and discussed Bengal's cultural development. The Honorable Minister warmly commended SVFAC's dedication to traditional arts and offered his encouraging assurances to stand by the foundation as a steadfast well-wisher.

"PARTNERING FOR CULTURE AND EDUCATION: SHRI AMIT KUMAR BANERJEE WITH THE HONORABLE MINISTER SHRI JAGANNATH CHATTOPADHYAY."

—SVFAC India

"Arise, awake, and stop not until the goal is reached."

— Swami Vivekananda

Institutional Milestones & Legacy

Honoring Excellence: The Legacy of Convocation 2023-25

Our convocation journey began with a magnificent foundation at the historic Utsarg Manch in Shantiniketan, Bolpur, hosting Convocation 2023. This landmark assembly brought together our top national rank holders, setting an incredibly high benchmark for celebrating classical music, traditional dance, and elite young talents on a grand offline stage.



Sustaining this spectacular artistic momentum, the foundation moved its celebration to Suri Rabindra Sadan, West Bengal for Convocation 2024. This grand event raised the bar for cultural gatherings, honoring our successful participants with special mementos in the presence of respected gurus, proud parents, and an enthusiastic audience.

Looking ahead, the foundation is proud to announce that the upcoming Convocation 2025–26 will take place at the prestigious Ajitesh Manch in Dumdum, Kolkata. This highly anticipated assembly will officially bridge regional talents with national recognition, serving as the ultimate stage to celebrate our newest elite achievers.



Convocation Highlights Celebrating Success at Convocation 2023

We proudly highlight our elite achievers receiving their official performance certificates and prestigious foundation mementos from the esteemed Prof. T. S. Narayanan and Smt. Sruti Menon during the grand Convocation 2023 ceremony at Shantiniketan. This special moment honors the deep dedication, hours of rigorous practice, and exceptional classical talent displayed by our awardees on the national stage.



Institutional Milestones & Legacy

Convocation 2024: A Grand Celebration of Artistic Brilliance

The annual Convocation 2024 of the Swami Vivekananda Foundation of Art & Culture was successfully celebrated with immense grandeur at Suri Rabindra Sadan, West Bengal. This monumental event served as a prestigious national platform to honor the exceptional talents, deep discipline, and unwavering dedication of our young performers who excelled in classical arts throughout the year.

The ceremony brought together esteemed cultural icons, legendary Gurus, proud parents, and an enthusiastic audience to witness the presentation of degrees and honors. By transitioning across prominent cultural hubs, the foundation continues its vital mission of nurturing emerging artists and preserving India's rich classical music and dance heritage.



"CELEBRATING EXTRAORDINARY GRACE AND DEVOTION. OUR TALENTED CLASSICAL DANCE ACHIEVERS RECEIVING PRESTIGIOUS FOUNDATION HONORS AT CONVOCAATION 2024."

—SVFAC INDIA

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From the Advisors

"A Platform for Future Generations"

"I have been associated with SVFAC for nearly four years as a judge and accompanist. The foundation works tirelessly across the globe to preserve healthy cultural values. In an era of cultural decline, SVFAC dedicatedly plants seeds of rich heritage in the younger generation, providing promising talent a platform to flourish under skilled guidance. My heartfelt wishes to SVFAC and special gratitude to Anindya-da. May the foundation continue to inspire lives ahead."

— Prithubrata Bhattacharjee
(Advisor, SVFAC India)

"SVFAC's dedication to preserving Indian art and culture while inspiring the younger generation to stay connected with their roots is truly commendable. May this noble mission continue to flourish and achieve greater milestones in the years ahead."

— Sandip Mukhopadhyay
(Advisor, SVFAC India)

"It is a privilege to be associated with SVFAC. Its commitment to preserving our cultural heritage and inspiring the younger generation through the Guru-Shishya Parampara is truly commendable. Special appreciation to Secretary Mr. Amit Kumar Banerjee for his dedicated efforts."

— Keya Chanda
(Advisor, SVFAC India)

"SVFAC beautifully connects knowledge, creativity, character and service with India's rich cultural heritage. Through Classical Music, Dance, Recitation and other initiatives, it nurtures talent and preserves tradition. I am honoured to be creatively associated with this inspiring organization and wish SVFAC many more milestones ahead."

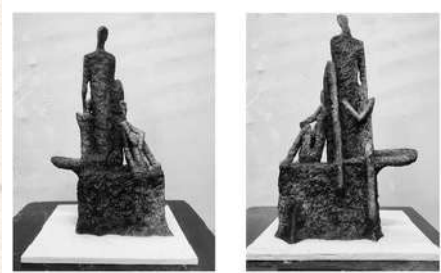
— Anirban Ghosh
Sanchalok, Event Manager & Member,
SVFAC India



**"ART IS WHERE HERITAGE
FINDS EXPRESSION,
IMAGINATION FINDS
FREEDOM, AND THE SOUL
FINDS ITS VOICE."**

— Chayan Das Thakur
(Artist, Treasurer, SVFAC INDIA)

Artworks From the Participants



— Aditi Paul
M.F.A, Kolkata



— Santanu Ghosh
MVA, Hooghly

Performing Arts

SVFAC INDIA Launches Its Updated Website & Participants Dashboard Portal 2026

The Swami Vivekananda Foundation of Art and Culture (SVFAC INDIA) proudly announces the launch of its updated official website and Participants Dashboard Portal, marking another important step towards creating a more transparent, accessible, and digitally connected cultural platform for artists across India.

Through the new Participants Dashboard, every participant can access their personal SVFAC profile and conveniently view their results, marks, certificates, upcoming events, India Rank, and State Rank in one place. Participants can also obtain their permanent SVFAC ID Card, creating a unique identity within the SVFAC cultural community.

This digital initiative is designed to make participation, achievement tracking, and certificate management easier and more organized for artists, students, and gurus. Today, SVFAC INDIA has reached a remarkable milestone of 40,000+ participants, with a growing community of approximately 10,000+ artists and gurus. With 100+ events and programmes conducted across 25+ states of India, SVFAC continues to expand its cultural outreach and provide opportunities for emerging and established artists.

The new digital platform reflects SVFAC INDIA's commitment to preserving India's artistic heritage while embracing modern technology, connecting the cultural community through one unified platform.