## Pratibha Sangam Competition 2024

### About the Competition :

The Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) - the cultural arm of the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, has been actively pursuing promotion of Indian culture abroad through its Indian Cultural Centers functioning abroad and the Indian diaspora.

In recognition of the unique and deep association of various citizens from overseas countries with India and its culture, ICCR has taken this mega initiative of organizing 3<sup>rd</sup> Pratibha Sangam Competition 2024 – the global competition under its aegis, for performers from around the world in the categories of Classical Indian Music and Dances. This competition shall be judged by a stellar jury drawn from amongst the leading exponents of these performing arts in India.

Winners of this Competition would be invited to India for live performance at events to be organised in India.

### Who can participate :

The competition is open to the citizens and PIOs of Australia, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brazil, Canada, China, Czech Republic, Egypt, Fiji, Germany, Guyana, Hungary, Indonesia, Israel, Iran, Japan, Kazakhstan, Malaysia, Maldives, Mauritius, Mexico, Myanmar, Nepal, Netherlands, Russia, South Africa, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Tajikistan, Tanzania, Thailand, Trinidad & Tobago, UK, USA, Uzbekistan and Vietnam. This Competition is not open for NRIs.

The participants shall be of minimum age of 18 years and maximum age of 50 years. Age category shall be as -

18 – 30 years

31—50 years

The cut- off date for determining minimum and maximum age limit is 31.08. 2024.

### Confidentiality :

All the personal information provided by the entrants will be kept confidential. The announcements will reveal only the identities of the winners of the competition, with information such as name, age, gender, category of award and the country. The participants unconditionally grant the rights to ICCR, Consent for use of their videos by the organizers for promotion activities in future. This is irrevocably implicit in their act of submission of the entries in this competition.

# **Categories of Competition :**

Indian Dance -

- Bharatnatyam
- Kathak
- Odissi

Hindustani Music –

- Instrumental Music
- Vocal

### Carnatic Music-

- Instrumental Music
- Vocal

## **Competition Timelines :**

- Starting Date : 01.07.2024 (10.00 am IST)
- Closing Date : 31.08.2024 (6.00 pm IST)
- > Winners to be announced in the month of September/October, 2024 (tentive).

## Awards & Prizes :

- Prize money for the three winners in each genre will be :
- First Prize(\$500), Second Prize(\$350), Third Prize(\$250)
- A Certificate will also be awarded to the winners.

In addition the final winners shall be invited to perform in India.

The expenses incurred by the winners on this travel and stay shall be borne by ICCR and shall be communicated once the results of the Pratibha Sangam Competition are announced by the Jury.