# Dr MANJU ELANGBAM

# Manipur State Kala Award (Young), Assistant Professor, Ph.D Scholar, N.E.T., A-Grade artist (National)

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# **Summary:**

Manju Elangbam, being the grandson of renowned late Guru Elangbam Anganghal Singh, a doyen of Sankirtana and an expert of Cholom, he grown up in the surrounding of an artistic family of dance and music right from early age. While in Visva Bharati University, Santiniketan, he established himself as a perfectionist artist. He had performed as a soloist and group artist at various places in India and abroad such as South Korea, France, New Zealand, Cyprus, Lebanon, Jordan, Egypt, Thailand, etc. He had travel in many events of artistic performances as a Team Leader and performer most of the Indian States and abroad. Being known for his work, he was selected as a Jury member in various competitions and the most prestigious National Competition "Kala Utsav 2015" in Dance. He is now emerging as a prominent young choreographer and performer of Manipur. Apart from an acclaim artist of Manipuri traditional dance, he come across by experimenting and sharing the ideas of the contemporary works with Yoshiko Chuma (USA), Choy Ka Fai (Singapore), Mrs. Vivian Capt. (Switzerland), Mrs. Soazic Lelan (France) and Mrs. Angela Sofia Sterzer (France).

#### **Education:**

VISVA BHARATI UNIVERSITY, Santiniketan, India

Master in music (Manipuri dance), topper of the year, 2008.

VISVA BHARATI UNIVERSITY, Santiniketan, India

Bachelor in Music (Manipuri Dance and Hindustani Music), topper of the year, 2006.

## Choreographies and production:

- 1."Sayon Taret" Dance Drama Production Director & Choreographer MOC, Govt. of India
- 2. "Leisem Nongsem" dance Creation Choreographer MIE, 2016
- 3. "Fire Bird" Dance Drama Assistant Choreographer PAL
- 4. "Kokil Priyotaal & Shiva Tandava" Choreographer Jagoi Marup
- 5. "Geet Govinda" Dance Drama Choreographer PAL
- 6. "Sangai Festival 2013" Assistant Choreographer Dept. of Tourism Grand Finale Govt of Manipur
- 7. "My Beloved Sister" Choreographer Own Production Duo Dance Creation
- 8. "Krida Manipur" Choreographer Project of Oxford Videography & Photography Centre for Hindu Studies, Oxford university

# **Teaching Experience:**

- 1. Conservatory Edgar-Varese of Gennevilliers, Paris, 2016, Manipuri Dance Expert.
- 2. Bayonne, Haizebegi festival, France, 2016, Manipuri Dance Expert (master class).
- 3. Birla Institute, One Month Camp, Hyderabad, Oct. 2015, Manipuri Dance expert
- 4. Company La Dance Qui Chante, Paris City Hall, 4<sup>th</sup> district, 2012 till present, Visiting Guest Teacher of Manipuri Dance.
- 5. Arta, Cartoucherie, France 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> April 2014 workshop, Manipuri dance expert.

- 6. Dept. of Education of Arts & Aesthetics, N.C.E.R.T, 18<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> Feb 2014, Itanagar, Dance Expert and Choreographer.
- 7. Sree Kala Ranjini, 2008-2009 Kerala, India, Manipuri Dance Expert.

#### Performances:

# Apart from various regional performances some of the national and international performances are given below;

- 1. International:
  - a) Diwali Festival, New Zealand, 2011.
  - b) Surin International Folklore Foundation, Thailand, 2014.
  - c) Surindra Rajabhat University International folklore Foundation, Thailand, 2014.
  - d) Haizebegi Festival, Bayonne, France, 2016.
  - e) Manipuri Jagoi, Paris, 2012.
  - f) Raas Purnima, Bangladesh,2015.
  - g) India Cultural Evening, Mandalay, 2015.
  - h) The International Sacred Art Festival, New Delhi, 2011.
  - i) Manipuri dance performances Cyprus, Lebanon, Jordan and Egypt, 2015.
  - J) de danse Manipuri-arts asiatiques GUIMET, Paris, 2014.
  - k) Namaste France, France, 2016.

### 2. National:

- a) Khajuraho National Dance Festival, 2014.
- b) Nishagandhi Festival, 2013.
- c) Bhagyachandra National Dance Festival, 2011.
- d) Uday Shankar Dance Festival, 2005 & 2006.
- e) National Youth Festival, 2007.
- f) The National Integration Camp, 2008.
- g) Debadhara Nrutya Festival, 2016.
- h) Ganjam Mahotshava, 2007
- i) Chura Damaru, Mumbai, 2016.
- j) Guru Amubi National Classical dance Festival. 2016.

#### **Achievement and awards:**

- 1. Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuba Puraskar, Sangeet Natak Akademi, New Delhi.
- 2. Manipur State Kala Akademi Award (young Talent Artist) Manipur.
- 3. National young artist scholarship, ministry of culture.
- 4. National gold medal in national youth competition.
- 5. Devdhara award.