

Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar

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About Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar:

- It was instituted by the **Sangeet Natak Akademi** in the name of Bharat Ratna Ustad Bismillah Khan for young performing art practitioners upto the **age of 40 years in 2006**.
- It is **given annually** to outstanding young artists in the fields of music, dance, drama, folk & tribal arts and puppetry in a special ceremony held in Delhi and also outside Delhi.
- The Yuva Puraskar carries a **purse of Rs 25,000/-** (Rupees twenty-five thousand only), a plaque and an **angavastram**.
- The reason behind instituting the Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar was to **encourage and motivate the young artists** in the field of **music, dance, drama, folk and tribal art** forms and other allied performing art forms of the country.

Who was Ustad Bismillah Khan?

- He was a famous Shehnai musician.
- It was Ustad 'Bismillah' Khan who also played at the **first Republic Day celebration** in 1950.
- Bismillah Khan was the first Indian to be invited to perform at the prestigious Lincoln Centre Hall in the United States of America.

Q1: What is Sangeet Natak Akademi?

Sangeet Natak Akademi was created by a resolution of the Ministry of Education, with P.V. Rajamannar as its first Chairman. It was set up in 1953 for the preservation and promotion of the vast intangible heritage of India's diverse culture expressed in forms of music, dance and drama.

News: 82 Young Artists to be Conferred Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puruskar for the Years 2022 and 2023, Tomorrow

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