# KALA-CONNECT

Newsletter by KalaGram, Society for Fine Art Initiatives in Gurugram

## A great 2021

2021 was an incredible year full of opportunities and growth. We resumed physical events in Gurugram with the support of the District Administration of Gurugram and Municipal Corporation Gurugram (MCG) and collaborated with many artists of great repute during the year.

## 'Gita Jayanti Mahotsav 2021'

'Gita Jayanti Mahotsav 2021' was celebrated in Gurugram to commemorate the birth of 'Srimad Bhagwat Gita'. KalaGram, the District Administration of Gurugram and DIPRO, Gurugram hosted Kathak Guru Padma Shri Dr. Shovana Narayan and Hindustani Classical Musician, Dr. Meeta Pandit, during the event. Honorable Mayor of Gurugram, Smt. Madhu Azad, the Chief Guest of the event graced the occasion with her presence. Shri. Vishram Kumar Meena, IAS, ADC, Gurugram, and Shri. Siddarth Dahiya, HCS, City Magistrate were the other dignitaries who attended the event.



## Sufiyana Shaam with Niazi nizami Brothers

Renowned Qawwali group Niazi Nizami Brothers rendered a soulful performance as we hosted them in Gurugram with the District Administration Gurugram and Municipal Corporation of Gurugram for our cultural event 'Sufiyana Shaam'. The evening was everything about soulful music and reminiscing some fond memories.





#### The Music of the Charkha



We hosted eminent Hindustani Classical Vocalist Rama Sundar Ranganathan, Sarangi maestro Pandit Bharat Bhushan Goswami, and Tabla maestro Ustad Akhtar Hasan for a scintillating performance on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti. It was a specially curated program interpreting the eleven vows of Mahatma Gandhi through music. A live Charkha spinning was also showcased for the audience during the concert.



#### Kala Manch and Project Kala Shiksha

On 5th December 2021, we officially launched Kala Manch – our cultural event program which showcases performances, plays, and informative sessions in dance and music by renowned artists from Gurugram. Kala Manch is held in association with the District Administration of Gurugram and Municipal Corporation Gurugram.

Project Kala Shiksha is an initiative by KalaGram to provide quality education in the field of fine art to the students of government schools and colleges in Gurugram in the form of workshops, lecture demonstrations, interactive sessions, etc. To conduct its first session under the initiative, we joined hands with SPIC MACAY and hosted Kathak Guru Padma Shri Shovana Narayan for a Lecture Demonstration for the students of Dronacharya Government College in Gurugram.



