



## Aparna's Dance Studio - Delight in Dance with Aparna

Aparna's Dance Studio is a Dance school in the Franklin, Wisconsin, USA offers training on Bollywood, Bharatanatyam (Indian classical dance) and varieties of Folk Dances of India (Bihu, Garba, Bhangra etc.) owned and directed by Aparna Bag, an esteemed Indian classical dancer. Our Dance school offers dance training to any age group starting 4 yrs. We also have dance groups who perform on different public shows.

### Our Mission

1. Provide a prospect to local residents to explore and experience versatile Indian Dance forms which reflect vibrancy of Indian traditions.
2. Cultivate a strong community and appreciation for Indian Classical Dance (Bharatanatyam) and other Indian dance forms.
3. Master and solidify presentation of the Indian dance forms through public performances.
4. Maintain discipline and norms in students and nurture a positive environment.
5. Make young and old dance with Joy, enjoy the rhythm of beats with their life's music and sing the beauty of life with best of health and mind.

### About Aparna

I am Aparna Bag, a professional Indian Classical Dancer. I was born and brought up in Kolkata, West Bengal, India, and, currently residing in Franklin, Wisconsin, USA.

I received my initial dance training under the guidance of Shri Sadhan Guha, famous classical dancer from West Bengal, India at the age of four years. I continued my learning under the guidance of Smt. Kashmiri Samanta, disciple of Guru Dr. Thankamani Kutti, famous Bharatanatyam and Mohiniattam dancer and teacher. She and her late husband P. Govindan Kutty, are widely known for their contributions in promoting South Indian dance, music and theatre in West Bengal.

I have performed in various prestigious dance festivals, stage & TV shows. Some of them are as follows:

- Inauguration of American Association of Engineers of Indian Origin, Milwaukee (Wisconsin, USA)
- India Fest Milwaukee (Wisconsin, USA)
- Silver City International Festival (Wisconsin, USA)
- Anand Mela (Wisconsin, USA)
- BCSM Durga Puja (Wisconsin, USA)
- Udayashankar Dance Festival (West Bengal, India)
- Kalinga Dance Festival (Orissa, India)
- Konark Dance Festival (Orissa, India)
- Puri Beach Festival (Orissa, India)

I have appeared & performed in various TV channels such as:

- E-Tv Bangla
- Tara Music
- Kolkata - Doordarshan
- Colors Bangla, etc.

Apart from classical dance, I am also expert in performing Rabindra Nritya, Bollywood Style, Semi-classical etc.

As a dance teacher, I had started teaching classical dance in India. Gradually, I started to teach Bollywood, semi-classical, classical, creatives to the different age groups in the USA.

I have been awarded Sangeet Sree Award (senior diploma with distinction) and Sangeet Bivakar Award (highest award presented to eminent artists for lifetime achievements in the field of performing arts) from Bangiya Sangeet Parishad.