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AKADEMI AWARDS

Damayanti Joshi



I present to you, Sir, Smt. Damayanti Joshi.

Smt. Damayanti Joshi was born in Bombay in 1932. She began her career as a professional dancer at a fairly young age. She received her training in Kathak from Gurus Sitaram Prasad, Achchan Maharaj, Lachchu Maharaj and Hiralal.

Smt. Damayanti Joshi has performed very extensively, both in India and abroad. She has been to Japan and some other countries as a member of a Cultural Delegation and also visited some European countries on performing tours. She has appeared in many international festivals and conferences. She has experimented with new themes in Kathak.

For her eminence in the field of dance and her contribution to its development, Smt. Damayanti Joshi receives the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award for Kathak Dance.