



ANIL RASTOGI
Akademi Award: Acting

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Born on 4 April 1943 in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh, Shri Anil Kumar Rastogi has been active in theatre for more than six decades now. He joined CDRI in 1962 as Junior Research Fellow and retired from the Institute as Head of Biochemistry and Director's Grade Scientist in 2003. His doctorate degree is in microbiology.

He has acted in plays directed by a number of esteemed and senior directors including Raj Bisaria, B.V. Karanth, Bansi Kaul, Urmil Kumar Thapliyal, Ranjit Kapoor, Surya Mohan Kulshreshtha and many others. Some of his most prominent plays as actor include *Hayavadan*, *Evam Indrajit*, *Katha Ek Kans ki*, *Rustam Sohrab*, *Taj Mahal Ka Tender*, *Yehoodi Ki Ladki*, *A View From the Bridge*, *Kanya Daan*, *Harischannar Ki Ladai*, *Sakharam Binder*, and *Bare Foot in Athens*. Overall he has acted in more than 95 plays with more than 1000 performances. Apart from theatre he has worked for radio, television, and films including web-series and commercials. Indeed, as Fellow of the National Academy of Sciences as well as of Uttar Pradesh Sangeet Natak Akademi, he is a rare combination of a scientist and a theatre artist.

Shri Anil Kumar Rastogi has been honoured with many awards including the Kalidas Samman, Uttar Pradesh Sangeet Natak Akademi Award, and Yash Bharti Samman.

Shri Anil Kumar Rastogi receives the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award for the year 2023 for his contribution to the field of theatre as an actor.