

## CHINTA RAVI BALAKRISHNA

KUCHIPUDI



Shri Chinta Ravi Balakrishna was born on 3 June 1984 at Kuchipudi Village, Andhra Pradesh. He inherited the art of Kuchipudi dance as a family tradition and was initiated into the art by his father Shri Chinta Ramamurthy.

He further received training in Kuchipudi from Guru Vendantam Rattaiah Sarma, Vedantam Satyanarayana Sarma and Sri Chinta Ramanatham. He completed M.A. (Dance) with gold medal from Siddendra Kalakshetram, Potti Sri Ramulu Telugu University and also obtained diploma in Yakshagana.

Shri Chinta Ravi Balakrishna has received scholarship from CCRT and Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India. He has performed in Nrutya Pratibha, organized by Eyal Isai Nataka Manram, Siddendra Yogi Mahotsav, Yuva Shastriya Nrityotsav and Swarna Nritya Pratibha, organized by the Sangeet Natak Akademi.

He has been rewarded for his talent with Sutradhari Puraskar conferred by Narthanasala in 2006 and Nritya Kaumudi by Abhinaya Nritya Bharati, Eluru in 2008.

Shri Chinta Ravi Balakrishna is awarded the Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar of Sangeet Natak Akademi for the year 2009 for his notable talent in the field of Kuchipudi.