



## **BHABANANDA BARBAYAN**

SATTRIYA

Born on 1 March 1975 at Majuli Island in Assam, Shri Bhabananda Barbayan received his training in Sattriya dance and music at the Uttar Kamalabari Sattra under several gurus such as Paramananda Barbayan, Tuniram Barbayan, Baluram Bargayan, Gopiram Bargayan, Cheniram Barbayan, and Kamal Bargayan.

Bhabananda Barbayan is among the established Sattriya dancers and Khol players from Assam. He has performed widely within the country in the prestigious festivals organized by the Sangeet Natak Akademi such as Nritya Parva, Nritya Pratibha, Swarn Utsav, Nritya Sangam and Sangeet Natak Akademi Award Festival, as well as in the Konark Festival, Guru Kelucharan Mohapatra Dance Festival, Virashad Festival and Uday Shankar Dance Festival. He has travelled within and outside the country for performances and conducted workshops at Festival Les Orientales, Saint-Florent-le-Vieil; Festival de Musique Sacree, Abbaye de Sylvanes; Festival Autres Rivages, Uzès; Festival International de Folklore d'Issoire; Festival Interfold, Le Pu-yen-Velay in France; and Festival Les Orientales, Evora in Portugal; Rodez, Toulouse, Montpellier in Paris; and Festival of India in China.

Shri Bhabananda Barbayan is awarded the Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar of Sangeet Natak Akademi for the year 2012 for his notable talent in the field of Sattriya dance.