



MADHAVI MUDGAL  
Akademi Award: Odissi Dance

*Born in 1951 in Delhi, Shrimati Madhavi Mudgal was initiated in arts by her father Vinay Chandra Maudgalya. She received her initial training in Odissi dance from Guru Harekrishna Behera, and subsequently trained extensively under Guru Kelucharan Mohapatra. She also learnt Bharatanatyam from Swarnasaraswathi, and gained proficiency in Kathak, learning from Gurus Durga Lal and Birju Maharaj.*

*Madhavi Mudgal is among the foremost Odissi dancers today. She has earned a name for herself with her choreographic works in Odissi style, marked by a keen sense of design and aesthetics. Working closely with music composers, she has created several compositions for solo and group presentation. For more than a decade, she has been training dancers at Gandharva Mahavidyalaya, Delhi. She has been instrumental in opening new avenues for choreography through the organization of dance events like 'Marg' and 'Amaru'.*

*For her dedicated service to dance, Madhavi Mudgal has been honoured with the Sanskriti Award in 1985, the Padma Shri in 1990, and the Orissa Sangeet Natak Akademi Award in 1996.*

*Shrimati Madhavi Mudgal receives the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award for her contribution to Odissi dance.*



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