

GUNJAN

SUMMER WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN

Organized by Gandharva Mahavidyalaya, New Delhi

Venue: Gandharva Mahavidyalaya premises

Age Group: 4–10 years

Workshop duration: 1 week

Dates: 29th May to 4th June 2017

Time: 9 am to 1:30 pm

Everything will be provided to the child:

- Snacks
- Drinks
- Paints
- Drawing sheets
- All Art & Craft material
- Potter's wheel & clay
- Seeds and pots for gardening
- Musical instruments
- Music for dance

The child has to come to the workshop bag-free, that is, carrying NOTHING from home.

- **Participation Certificate & 'Gunjan' Music CD** (with children's songs) will be given to the child after the workshop.
- There will be a **performance by the children** for the parents on the last day of the workshop: June 4, 2017. All the handicrafts created by the children will be displayed, and later gifted to the children.

OBJECTIVES OF THE WORKSHOP

- Develop an appreciation for Indian arts and culture
- Hone creativity and skills
- Personality development
- Boost in self-confidence
- Talent recognition
- Exposure
- Learn to interact in groups
- On the whole, a fun learning process for kids and the teachers

ACTIVITIES

🍏 Music

- Vocal (Short Indian classical music compositions, folk songs, children's songs, patriotic songs)
- Prayer song (to be sung at the beginning of the day)
- Display of, and introduction to, various musical instruments (The children will get a chance to see different musical instruments like the sitar, tabla, harmonium, tanpura and others up close and get their feel)

🍏 Dance

- Introductory classes to various Indian classical dance forms including Kathak, Bharatanatyam and Odissi.
- Folk dances
- Dance to children's songs

🍏 Yoga

- Basic yoga exercises
- Breathing exercises
- Surya Namaskar

We believe it is a great idea to introduce children to exercise routines at a young age. This enables them to maintain their flexibility and stay fit over the years.

🍏 Art & Craft, Painting, Rangoli making

🍏 Lecture-Demonstrations & performances

Various vocal music, instrumental music and dance presentations for children by experts, followed by an interactive session with the kids.

Exposure to various Indian art forms – it is rare to find the chance of watching all of them live in one place! Also, a wonderful opportunity for the kids to ask questions and interact with established artistes.

🍏 Pottery: Work on the potter's wheel with clay

Some of us have had the good chance of working on the potter's wheel with clay as kids, and remember the experience very fondly. We are very keen to create a similar, if not better, experience for the gen-next. We are, therefore, bringing an expert from Delhi Blue Pottery Trust to work especially with the kids for pottery.

🍏 Story-telling sessions

Teaching values of life to kids through entertaining stories from the Panchatantra/ Jataka Kathas and many more mythological tales.

🎭 Theatre / Play

Using stories & text, music and dance to make short plays. Group activity makes a child stronger, helps in building confidence and develops personality.

Apart from individual participation, we want the kids to learn how to work in groups. The world today promotes competition and emphasizes on the individual. Much as we realize the significance of this, we also want our children to recognize the strength of togetherness and the joy that comes with it. During the workshop, our focus will not be on competition but rather on working and learning together, enjoying the process and being happy at others' success as well as one's own. These values seem to be getting lost in today's time. If future generations are to have inner contentment, then these values are best instilled at an early age.

🌱 Importance of growing trees & plants

With the bombardment of technology and machines, we are losing touch with the environment. Thus, we want to teach children to sow seeds that gradually grow into bigger plants. Each child will plant a seed in a small vase, which will be gifted to the child at the end of the workshop. There is a sense of satisfaction that such an activity brings about.

FEE FOR THE ENTIRE WORKSHOP

Rs 6000/- + service tax + form = Total Rs 7000/-

This includes everything: all the art & craft material, refreshments, drinks, etc.

The fees from Gunjan will go directly into covering the expenses of the workshop. The remaining amount, if any, will go towards providing similar opportunities for underprivileged children.

Fees may be paid by cash at Gandharva Mahavidyalaya, New Delhi along with the filled form (which will be provided there), or by NEFT. The registration will only be valid once the payment is made, and you will be provided with a receipt for the same. The form will be available online for download as well. For people making online payments, you may download and print the form, fill it, and send it duly filled, with your child on the first day of the workshop.

For NEFT/ bank details, kindly contact Megha at 8368731321/ 9811347278 or write to us at gmvworkshop@gmail.com

MOTIVE AND THOUGHT BEHIND GUNJAN

Gandharva Mahavidyalaya, New Delhi is one of the oldest cultural institutions of the country that has been imparting training in Indian classical music and dance to several generations for over 77 years. It was started by Pt Vinaya Chandra Maudgalya, and is currently headed by Pt Madhup Mudgal. The minimum age for admission in our school is 8 years. Over the years, we have had several enquiries for workshops for younger kids. This year, we decided to take the initiative by launching 'Gunjan'.

In this day and age of technology, it has somehow become a task to keep children away from the iPad, smart phones, internet, video games, etc. Through this workshop, we aim to expose young children to various Indian arts and other creative activities in a way that they are engaged, excited and entertained while learning! We would like this endeavour to be a fun-filled experience of learning and creation for the kids. It is common to find workshops that teach one activity to the child, but we have structured Gunjan in a manner that it is multi-faceted and allows children to explore myriad activities in one place. This is a platform where children can discover their unique interests, talents as well as their strengths. This will also help you decide which activity your child would like to pursue on growing up.

Our faculty for Gunjan consists of experts with previous experience of teaching and interacting with young children. We shall do our best to make this experience a memorable one. We want to give the participants all we can, and we want them to take back all they can...

Team Gunjan

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