



An Indo-Swiss Socio Cultural Organization in Switzerland

*INTERNATIONAL KALAMELA - A festival of arts in Switzerland*

## JUDGEMENT CRITERIA – KATHAK

| No.                | Elements              | Description   | Marks      |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---|------------|
| 1                  | <b>Nritta</b>         | The Rhythmic Element - Interpretation of the language of rhythm with the help of body movements   | <b>15</b>  |
| 2                  | <b>Nritya</b>         | The Expressional Element - combination of rhythm with expression conveys poetic meaning with the help of expressions and rhythmic postures. | <b>15</b>  |
| 3                  | <b>Natya</b>          | The Dramatic Element - performing for a theme like Ramayana, Mahabharata etc  | <b>15</b>  |
| 4                  | <b>Angasuddhi</b>     | Angasuddhi means the perfection of body movements   | <b>10</b>  |
| 5                  | <b>Mudras</b>         | Mudras (Sthanakam, Mandalam, Chari, Hastas)   | <b>10</b>  |
| 6                  | <b>Tukdas</b>         | Tatkaar, Chakkars   | <b>10</b>  |
| 7                  | <b>Sense of space</b> | Sense of space (stage utilization)  | <b>5</b>   |
| 8                  | <b>Music</b>          | Music   | <b>5</b>   |
| 9                  | <b>Costume</b>        | Classical Costume   | <b>10</b>  |
| 10                 | <b>Totality</b>       | Overall impression  | <b>5</b>   |
| <b>Grand Total</b> |                       |   | <b>100</b> |

### Description of the Event:

Kathak is the major classical dance form of northern India. The word "Kathak" means "to tell a story". It is derived from the dance dramas of ancient India. When the patronage shifted from the temples to the royal court, there was a change in the overall emphasis, narration of religious stories to entertainment stories. Today, the story-telling aspect has been downgraded and the dance is primarily an abstract exploration of rhythm and movement. The chosen music must adhere to the classical style Kathak. The dance items should depict performances from a classical dance repertoire. The costumes in Kathak category must depict the classical dance style appropriately.

**Duration of the event** Maximum 10 minutes