

#### **25TH JAN, SATURDAY**

<b>OPENING CEREMONY</b>		CROSS MAIDAN 🖒
Sanya Malhotra: Special Event	05:30 pm - 06:00 pm	Indian actress Sanya Malhotra comes with a special announcement to the mainstage, ready to energise and entertain audiences.
Inauguration	06:00 pm - 06:30 pm	Ceremonial lamp-lighting and inauguration of the 25th edition of KGAF.
Silver Sitaare Celebrating 25 years of Kala Ghoda Arts Festival Fusion	06:30 pm - 07:00 pm	25 dance styles to commemorate 25 years of the iconic festival, brought to life by 60 talented artists and institutions who have performed over the years.
Avagha Anandi Anand by Smriti Talpade & Nrityasmriti Academy of Performing Arts Kathak, Folk	07:00 pm - 07:30 pm	Ganesh Stuti, Gondhal, a portrayal of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, and a tribute to Lord Vitthal will encapsulate Maharashtra's rich and revered traditions.
<b>Krishnakshi and Team</b> Sattriya	07:30 pm - 08:00 pm	Duet Performance by Krishkankshi Kashyap and Dhruba Talukdar from Guwahati, presenting a classical Assamese dance, Sattriya.
Dil Mein Ek Leher - A mix of Poetry & Rhythm by Prachee Shah Pandya & Prithvi Gandharv	08:00 pm - 09:30 pm	A captivating show uniting the expressiveness of Kathak, performed by acclaimed Kathak dancer & actor Prachee Shah Paandya, with soulful Ghazals sung by celebrated singer Prithvi Gandharv.

#### **26TH JAN, SUNDAY**

Dahihandi - the Human Tower

05:00 pm -05:30 pm

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Witness an awe-inspiring human-tower evoking the iconic Dahihandi festival celebrating the birth of Lord Krishna. The MRDGA presents Dahihandi at KGAF, having promoted the phenomenon locally and all over the world.



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# 28TH JAN, TUESDAY Igniting Souls by Argana Mahuaa

Nritya Academy (AMNA) Dance Drama	06:00 pm
Ramasaptam by Geetha Vijayshankar & Disciples Mohiniattam	06:10 pm - 06:30 pm
Krishna Salsa From Vijay Ram Events and Performing Arts Salsa & Cha Cha	06:40 pm - 06:50 pm
Mood Indigo Winners Western, Hip Hop, Bollywood	07:00 pm - 07:25 pm
Are You INSAN (E) by Yutika Trripati & Team Contemporary	07:35 pm - 08:00 pm
Adi Anant by Anveshana Society for Performing Arts Delhi & Sangeeta Sharma Indian Contemporary, Kalaripayattu & Chhau	08:10 pm - 08:50 pm
Krishna-Kali by Latasana Devi & Dr. Swapnokalpa Dasgupta Manipuri & Odissi	09:00 pm - 09:45 pm

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Presented by underprivileged students from Mumbai and children of farmers from rural Sreerampur, and choreographed by Arpana Rao.

A compelling portrayal of the Ramayana by Mumbai-based artists, featuring key episodes: Sita Swayamvaram, Parashurama challenging Rama for breaking Triyambaka, Rama's exile to honor his father's promise, the slaying of Maricha, Sita's abduction, Rayana's defeat, and Rama's coronation.

A Salsa performance set to lively Latin music and delivered by talented Mumbai artists.

Energetic moves and dynamic performances will showcase the essence of today's popular culture.

An appreciation of the insanity that we carry within us, but only allow to come out when no one else is watching. Choreographed by Yuteka Trripati from Pune.

Presented by artists from New Delhi, this performance draws inspiration from the profound belief that Shiva resides within every man, woman, living being, and even the non-living world.

A confluence of Manipuri and Odissi by Mumbai-based artists, recipients of SNA and Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar awards, that will take the audience on a spiritual journey.

#### 29TH JAN, WEDNESDAY

Nritya Parichay 05:45 pm - Dances of North & North East India 06:15 pm

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Students from economically underprivileged backgrounds, trained through NCPA Mumbai's outreach programs, will present their talent and artistry.



Les Danseuses Arademy of Rallet 06:25 nm -

& Neha Suhajani Ballet	06:45 pm	education to all age groups and is proudly associated with ISTD London and CSTD Australia.
<b>Padmashri Narthaki Nataraj</b> Bharatanatyam	06:55 pm - 07:55 pm	Renowned transgender artist Narthaki Nataraj from Chennai presents her love and devotion for Bharatanatyam through a dance recital with live music.
Dance of Duality Winners of KGAF Dance Contest Fusion	08:05 pm - 08:15 pm	Pune-based dancers Apurva Solapure & Siddhi Jadhav, winners of the KGAF Dance Contest, will dazzle the stage with their talent and potential.
Bhama Kalapam by Veena Murthy & Samanvay Dance Company Kuchipudi	08:25 pm - 09:05 pm	Performed by artists from Bangalore and Mumbai, Satyabhama Kalapam is a celebrated piece in the Kuchipudi repertoire, blending emotion, devotion, and storytelling in a spellbinding presentation.
<b>Saurav Gaurav Mishra - Duet</b> Kathak	09:15 pm - 09:50 pm	This duet recital by the twin Mishra brothers from Mumbai and Benaras promises to enchant the audience with the Benaras Gharana style of Kathak.

#### **30TH JAN, THURSDAY**

Kahani Abhi Baki Hain by Gensxty 05:30 pm -Tribe + Mumbai Harmonics 05:45 pm Bollywood

Tejaswini Sathe and Students 06:00 pm - of TANZ Kathak Academy 06:40 pm

Shobha Gurtu - A Musical Legacy 06:50 pm by Sraboni Chaudhuri, Dhanashree 07:30 pm Pandit Rai & Keka Sinha

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Join Sandip Soparrkar as he brings out the youthful energy of senior citizens in a joyful and lively performance!

LDAR Pune one of India's premier hallet schools, imparts hallet

Pune-based artists will portray Kathak's graceful pirouettes and intricate footwork.

Celebrating the Centennial year of the Thumri legend Shobha Gurtu with a concert by her noted disciples along with Kathak dance. Accompanied by a brilliant team of musicians they all pay tribute to Shobha ji whose unparalleled genius redefined the Thumri genre forever.



Echoes of Tradition	07:40 pm - 08:15 pm	Mónica de la Fuente and Germán Díaz unite their artistry in a performance that celebrates the deep cultural roots of Spain. Through the evocative sounds of the zanfona (hurdy-gurdy) and the elegance of dance, they bring to life the timeless beauty of Spanish traditions.
<b>1ST FEB, SATURDAY</b>		CROSS MAIDAN (&)
Kahani Abhi Baki Hain by Gensxty Tribe + Mumbai Harmonics Bollywood	05:30 pm - 05:45 pm	Join Sandip Soparrkar as he brings out the youthful energy of senior citizens in a joyful and lively performance!
Rising Stars by Open Forum for Principals (OFP) Malkhamb & Loknritya	06:00 pm - 06:40 pm	The intricate art of Mallakhamb will be performed both on the grounds and stage of Cross Maidan, followed by Loknritya performances - Chadiya, Gaur Nach, Baredi presented by young and talented artists from Mumbai.
<b>Sri Shanmukhananda Natya</b> <b>Vidyalaya</b> Dances of Tamil Nadu	06:50 pm - 07:20 pm	Mumbai students will showcase Tamil Nadu's classical and folk dances, reflecting the state's rich cultural heritage.
Balmiki Protibha by Dr. Tushar Guha's Nrityanjali Dance Drama	07:30 pm - 08:05 pm	Mumbai artists bring Tagore's classic dance drama to life, depicting the transformation of Dacoit Ratnakara into Sage Valmiki, under the direction of Dr. Tushar Guha.
Samvet by Aditi Mangaldas Dance Company & The Drishtikon Dance Foundation, India Kathak	08:15 pm - 09:15 pm	Aditi Mangaldas and her team from New Delhi will captivate audiences with their lightning-fast movements and melodious music in Samvet, a five-part performance depicting the five elements.
<b>Kalautsav Dance Academy</b> Gurjar Garba	09:25 pm - 09:45 pm	Mumbai-based Khyati Shah, Varsha Patel, and their team will celebrate the vibrancy of Gujarat through its dynamic dance forms.

#### **2ND FEB, SUNDAY**

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Govardhana Giridhara Tarangam by Vaidehi Kulkarni Kuchipudi	05:45 pm - 06:15 pm	Showcasing a unique feature of the Kuchipudi dance style, this artist from Nasik will present the remarkable balancing act with fire and the plate.
Rising Stars Western & Russian Folk	06:25 pm - 06:45 pm	Rising young dancers from Mumbai will present popular dances inspired by today's Pop Culture.
<b>Enaakshi Kotwal</b> Belly Dancing	06:55 pm - 07:15 pm	Enakshi Kotwal from Mumbai will mesmerize the audience with her soft, graceful movements, demonstrating incredible body control, set to melodious music.
When Walls Dance by Prachi Saathi Savi Bharatanatyam, Warli Art	07:25 pm - 08:10 pm	This unique performance by Goa and Mumbai-based artists seamlessly blends Warli art, Bharatanatyam, and animation to tell the enchanting story of Champa, a young girl from the Warli tribe, and her beloved Champa tree.
<b>Shivanshu Soni - The</b> <b>Fusionist</b> Fusion	08:20 pm - 08:35 pm	Shivanshu, a versatile performer from Madhya Pradesh now based in Mumbai, is cherished for his distinctive classical fusion dance style. He is one of the Top 3 Finalist of India's Best Dancer Season 3 and worked as a choreographer on its 4th season.
Aditi Dance Collective's Kathak Ki Ada Lavani Ka Thumka	08:45 pm - 09:45 pm	Conceptualized by Aditi Bhagwat, this grand finale by Mumbai-based artists will celebrate the vibrant fusion of Kathak and Lavani.

Curator: Dr. Anonna Guha Asst Curator: Nivedita Damle

Kathak, Lavani

Team: Girish Dalvi, Maitri Khedekar, Geeta Chandrasekaran, Manasi Damle, Harsha Andan, Sreekala Velambath, Vaidehi Damle, Shashank Dey, Dinesh Singh, Mini Pillai, Arnika Sakpal, Swapnali More, Rashmi Panikulam, Dhruvika Pariyani, Dhwani Pariyani, Sangita Garud, Vinaya Keny, Mahadevan, Kavya Khedekar, Diksha Bhat. Devesh Bhat. Damodar Bhat. Yovanna Mansukhani. Riddhi Ghao

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Entry on first-come-first-served basis. Programmes are subject to change.