

DANCE CLUB ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24

The dance club of St. Joseph's college, Darjeeling ; a vibrant community where passion meets rhythm and creativity takes center stage. Our club fits for everyone, whether you are a seasoned dancer or just starting out. The last academic year has witnessed all the winning and losing moments of our club, having participated in various competitions and events not only in the college premises but also outside Darjeeling , with bringing out the best form of club.

The following are the events that took place last year :

1. INSPIRIA INSVAGANZA : The ultimate fest of North Bengal.

VENUE :Inspiria Knowledge Campus,
Siliguri.

DATE : 5th and 6th April, 2023.

No. of participants : 14



A socio-cultural event called 'INSVAGANZA' was organized by Inspiria Knowledge Campus on 5th and 6th of April. The theme of the event for the year was 'Neo - spectaculum' and our dance club engaged in various categories of the event. An open audition was held for the selection of participants for different categories and 8 of them were selected for non-themed group dance , 2 for solo dance (western), 1 each for male and female 2 students each for nepali dance and matka dance i.e.duet dance category . With a week of practice and hardwork our club took the first place in the duet category (Nepali dance) and stood as runners up in the Solo (male) category as well as group dance.

The event not only provided the students to display their talents but also helped with building a good relation with other students of various institutions that performed that day.

2. District Level Yuva utsav.

VENUE : St. Joseph's College,Darjeeling

DATE : 24th May 2023

No. of participants : 25



Nehru Yuva Kendra , Darjeeling organized a district Level Yuva Utsav on 24th May 2023, and the pleasure of hosting the event was given to St. Joseph's college , Darjeeling. The theme of the event of dance category for the year was "TRADITIONAL DANCE DEPICTING INDIA'S RICH CULTURE

AND HERITAGE ." The participants were selected by an open audition and a total of 9 dancers performed maruni dance as an opening act, 7 dancers performed khukuri dance for the competition and lastly total of 9 dancers were selected for the Indian classical as an closure act for the program.

The grace of the whole event elevated with the presence of well-known parliamentarian, Raju Bista accompanied by Neeraj Zimba , a member of central committee and the Gorlha National Liberation Front's secretary general and legal advisor.

The event was a full success with our college students celebrating their victory as their hard work and all the efforts paid off.

3.Event on 'BHANU BHASA SMRITI DIWAS'

VENUE : St. Joseph's College, Darjeeling

DATE : 26th August 2023

No. of participants: 8



A program to honour " BHANU BHASA SMRITI DIWAS" was hosted by St. Joseph's college , Darjeeling on 26th of August.The event honored the significant contributions Bhanu Bhakta Acharya made to the Nepali language, in which our dance club took part and performed two dances namely - The maruni dance form and Tappa dance form. A total number of 8 participants were selected through auditions and the dance styles were selected to pay homage to the vibrant Nepali culture.

4. ASSAM TRIP : A Cultural Exchange Program.

VENUE : Moridhal College , Dhemaji

DATE : 29th and 30th September , 2023

No. of participants : 8



On 30th September, 2023 under the MOU between St. Joseph's College and Moridhal College a Cultural Exchange Program was organized in Assam. It was a two day program with the main event being held on the second day i.e. 30th September. The journey started on 27th September with the students reaching the event location on 28th September. A total of 8 students were selected for representing our college.A National Seminar also being conducted on the issue of "GLOBALISATION AND ITS IMPACT ON THE FOLKLORE AND FOLK LIFE OF THE TRIBES OF NORTH EAST INDIA" sponsored by ICSSR.

On the day of the main event, the program begin with the felicitation of principal, teachers and students of our college, followed by an inaugural speech by FR. DR. Donatus Kujur.

Various performances were done by the students of Moridhal College and our college as well, performed three dance forms- Maruni, khukri and lastly Tappa form.

With the joys and happiness of all the people present during the event , it came to a closure and became one of the memorable trip to Assam.

5. COOCHBEHAR state level yuva utsav.

VENUE : Utsav Auditorium, Coochbehar.

DATE : 23rd and 24th January, 2024

No. of participants: 10



A state level yuva utsav was organized by Nehru Yuva Kendra sangathan in Coochbehar. A total number of 10 students out of which ,5 were girls and the rest 5 were boys were selected for this event. The participants departed on 22nd Jan and reached the location that day itself along with our coordinator of dance club, Shrishti Kala chhetri. On the main event day, chief guest -Nisith Pramanik ;Minister of state , ministry of youth affairs and sports and ministry of home affairs , Govt. Of India was also invited for enlightening the day. A list of different activities were showcased by various institutions with our college representing different dance forms namely - Nepali, khukuri and jhewre forms beautifully and competed their level best to win . The prizes for the winners were:

1st - rs. 40,000

2nd- rs. 25,000

3rd- rs. 15,000All the participants gave their best and contributed to the good memories of the event making it special.

6. Opening dances on Sports day.

VENUE : NP school ground, Darjeeling

DATE : 7th March , 2024

No. Of participants: 28



An annual sports event was organized by St. Joseph's College, Darjeeling on 7th March, 2024. It was an exciting event witnessing the competitive spirit of various colleges along with the hosting college, in the football field. The participants of various colleges were welcomed and the program started in the morning approximately around 9 o'clock with chutki and Maruni dance as an opening act, having 18 and 11 participants respectively. The special guests invited for the event were the members of GTA (GORKHALAND TERRITORIAL ADMINISTRATION), who praised the welcoming of the event.

Overall the day was thrilling with the dance performances being cherry on top.

7.VIBES THE VISTA : INTER COLLEGE FEST

VENUE : St. Joseph's college, Darjeeling

DATE : 12th and 13th April, 2024.

No. of participants: 24



VIBES DE'VISTA an event comprising of fete and fest was hosted by St. Joseph's college, Darjeeling on 12th and 13th of April. It was a two-day event with dance competition being held the second day. A total number of nine colleges participated including the host college. The dance categories decided for this year was solo and group (both themed and non-themed) dance, with 12 participants being selected for both themed and non-themed category each. The presence of the talented judges- Nipen Chhetri, the founder of Nipro School of dance, Gyalpo Tamang, Director of Embers dance studio, Darjeeling and Prosen Guha Niyogi, founder of Upashona Dance Academy, the event became more lively and fair. Our college stood victorious in all the three dance categories and claimed first position in both the forms of Group Dance as well as in Solo Dance. Making the event more joyous.

Lastly, the members of SJC Dance Club would like to convey a heart-felt gratitude towards our respected College Administration, Father Principal, Vice Principal, Dean Ma'am, Father Pascal, Club Coordinator, Event management team, Staffs and all the students for their support and cooperation throughout the year providing opportunities and for the success of yet another session.