

# Shweta Prachande



## Profile

Shweta started learning Bharatanatyam from the age of 5 and is currently training from Guru Smt. Priyadarsini Govind after completing the five-year course at Kalavardhini Dance Institute under Guru Dr. Sucheta Chapekar. Having moved to Chennai in 2005 to pursue dance as a full time profession, Shweta has since come to be recognized as one of Bharatanatyam's leading young dancers in today's generation. Her dance is a concoction of crisp movements, fluidity of motion and energetic dynamism. Having learnt Kalaripayattu and completing a diploma in Contemporary Dance Studies from The Trinity Laban Conservatory of Music and Dance, London, the aesthetic amalgamation of these styles and techniques makes her dance unique and enthralling. Shweta is the assurance that Bharatanatyam is a timeless art. She is known for her impactful and energetic portrayal of *nritta* and presentations of *abhinaya* that is deep and mesmerizing. She has an all-round understanding of the arts, including training in Nattuvangam and Carnatic Music. To her credit, she has also completed her Masters in Fine Arts in Bharatanatyam from the Bharathidasan University, Tamil Nadu and her Masters in Commerce from The Pune University. Winner of many national scholarships and accolades, she has many awards to her credit and has won almost all major dance competitions across the country. She has performed extensively in India and abroad to critical acclaim and is a regular feature every year during the December Music and Dance Festival in Chennai. She has also been featured in a number of programs for many famous TV Channels like Doordarshan and Star Plus.