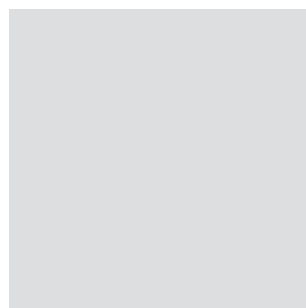
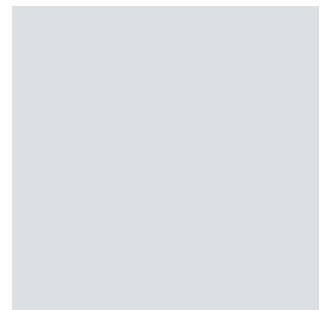


# SWARAGINI

-where music speaks

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मद्भक्ताः यत्र गायन्ति तत्र तिष्ठामि नारद॥

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## A message from the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor

Music is an integral part of our culture. Our scriptures place Music having primacy place in our cultures. NMIMS University conceptualized the School of Performing Arts to impart education and learn in the finer nuances of the Music discipline. The University believes in preserving the traditional aesthetics of our cultural heritage and making it an integral part of our curriculum. For the University the music education is not just about learning Music and building up a career but also helps to have a focus on the overall development of a student in developing the critical thinking skills, motor skills, cognitive ability, enhanced brain functions, and better emotional development. NMIMS being a visionary educators University, we feel proud to nurture and cultivate the knowledge and skills in our students for them to be balanced, creative and progressive members of society. The School of Performing Arts will be producing the first batch of graduating students, and I welcome all the students as Alumni of the University and wish them the best in their future endeavours.

**Dr. Ramesh Bhat**



## A message from the Dean

Greetings!

We are glad to introduce "SWARAGINI", the first magazine of School of Performing Arts (SoPA), on the occasion of our first convocation 2021. This magazine will prove to be a reflection of the school which will incorporate all the activities and developments at SoPA.

Friends, 4 years before, A seed of thought was sown which got developed as a plant on 13th August 2018 and we can proudly say that it has become a dense, fruitful tree now and that's School of Performing Arts.

Sopa is a home to talented music students from all over India, celebrated artistes and globally renowned faculty with years of industry experience in their field.

The School offers three years undergraduate program in Western Contemporary Music and Indian Classical Music - A new addition from this year. School started the journey initially with 13 students and since then, the number of students has been continuously growing and has reached 57 students within 3 years. The rich diverse cultural background of our students makes SoPA a hot spot of talent. These musically skilled students are enrolled after a rigorous and standardized audition process.

The most innovative teaching curriculum is designed to keep the curiosity of students alive and fresh throughout their training period. Besides the theory and practical session, special techniques introduced are an added feature of the curriculum to foster and encourage individual thinking on the part of students to realize and assimilate music in its greater depth and dimension.

Therefore, our curriculum ensures an overall authenticity to our mission to train and bring out the best young talent in different disciplines of music and expose them to flourishing career prospects.

At present, the school offers a major in Piano, Drums, Vocals and Guitar in Western Contemporary and Vocal and Sitar in Indian Music.

The School also emphasizes the students to periodically visit NGOs to communicate and spread music to foster a healthy inter personal human relationship and to spread love, learning, compassion and joy in the communities around.

The School has further plans to introduce Diploma & Master's program in the coming years to provide wide scope of studying Diploma, Degree and Masters at SoPA.

We are excited that we will have an open-amphitheater in our school soon where we will be able to organize in-house concerts by the students and eminent musicians, seminars, workshops and many more that will strengthen the concept of "Assurance of Learning".

I want to thank faculty members and staff for their continuous support.

Wishing all the success and bright future to young aspirants.

Best wishes,

**Dr. Vikas Bharadwaj**





## SVKM's NMIMS (Deemed to be University)



NMIMS is a 40 year old Management Institution which received a Deemed University Status in 2003 from the Government of India. It is an Institution promoted by Shri Vile Parle Kelvani Mandal (SVKM) which is 85 year old Public Charitable Trust and society committed to Gandhian philosophy.

NMIMS is a multidisciplinary, multi campus institution with 17 schools, 16 disciplines and offers programs in the fields of Management, Engineering & Technology Management, Pharma Sciences, Architecture, Biological & Nano Sciences, Commerce, Economics, Law, Liberal Arts, Design, Entrepreneurship & Family Business, Hospitality Management, Agricultural Sciences, Mathematical Sciences, etc.

NMIMS Business School is ranked among top 10 Business Schools of the country and is also AACSB accredited. It is also accredited by NAAC at the highest level with Grade A + and has been categorized Tier-I University by Government of India. Today it has partnership at the global level with some of well-known universities like Purdue for a dual degree program in Decision Sciences and Business Analytics.

## School of Performing Arts (SoPA)



NMIMS School of Performing Arts (SoPA), Mumbai, was inaugurated on 13th August 2018. The School offers three years undergraduate program in Western Contemporary Music and Indian Classical Music - A new addition from this year. The school is a home to talented music students from all over India and celebrated artists and globally renowned faculty with years of industry experience in their field. The curriculum involves an integrated study of both theoretical & practical knowledge of music, which enables the student to master performance and enables them to be conceptually strong. The program prepares the student to perform & present their skills on stage and exposes them as an individual as well as part of a band.

The school is offering two programs:

- BA Music (Western Contemporary Music) - Offering majors in Piano, Drums, Vocals and Guitar.**
- BA Music (Indian Music) - Offering majors in Vocal & Sitar**

Other activities like workshops, performances ensure an overall authenticity to our mission to train and bring out the best young talent in different disciplines of music and expose them to flourishing career prospects.

SoPA is conscious about maintaining equal ratio of the students in class and is committed to providing fair and equitable consideration of all individuals without any discrimination.

### Eligibility Criteria and Admission Process for UG programs

- A candidate must have passed 10 + 2 or equivalent examination from any stream and must have obtained a minimum of 50% aggregate.
- Register yourself on [sopa.nmims.edu](https://sopa.nmims.edu)
- Upload your video of performance on YouTube (as an Unlisted video) and add the link in the application form
- Shortlisted candidates will be called for the Live audition round
- Merit list to be released on website

For more details kindly visit (<https://performingarts.nmims.edu>)



# Our Strength

Meet the pillars of the school who are constantly working towards the growth and development of the institution and students.

## Faculty Name & Stream



**Dr. Vikas Bharadwaj**  
Administration and Sitar

## Faculty Name & Stream



**Emmanuel Simon**  
Percussion

## Faculty Name & Stream



**Anisha Lakshmanan**  
Vocals

## Faculty Name & Stream



**Chandresh Kudwa**  
Guitar

**Gino Banks**  
Drums



**Clement Rooney**  
Piano



**Janani Suresh**  
Vocals



**Lydia Hornung**  
Vocals



**Achal Yadav**  
Production



**Andrew Kanga**  
Drums



**Niranjan Joshi**  
Piano



**Rahul Wadhwani**  
Piano

## Faculty Name &amp; Stream



**Srinjay Banerjee**  
Guitar

## Faculty Name &amp; Stream



**Varun Venkit**  
Percussion

**Manas Vishwaroop**  
Vocal



**Mushtaq Shaikh**  
Communicative English



**Vishakha Mody**  
Environmental Studies



**Charmi Lathigara**  
Coordinator cum  
Counsellor

## Meet our first Batch of Graduates

Congratulations to our first Graduated batch on their successful completion of Bachelor degree. We wish them a very bright future.

## Student Name &amp; Stream



**Anubha Kaul**  
(1<sup>st</sup> Rank)  
Vocals

**Michelle Naidu**  
Vocals



**Omil Chander**  
Guitar

**Anirudh Sankaran**  
Drums



**Jainaam Singhi**  
Guitar

## Student Name &amp; Stream



**Sanjana Shenai**  
Vocals

**Aman Gaunekar**  
Piano



**Rahul Jhunjhunwala**  
Piano

**Suraj Landge**  
Vocals





## A walk through the memory lane



Inauguration Day - 13.08.2018



A workshop by the eminent Guitarist Mr. Sanjay Divecha at the SoPA campus on October 2019



A drum workshop by the eminent drummer Marcus Gilmore on December 2018



Industrial visit to Yashraj Studios in June 2019



Drum Day Rehearsal at SoPA campus



Mr. Indrajit Sharma (Tubby), Composer & arranger conducted a workshop at SoPA on November 2019



Shri Trilo Gurtu Ji graced the school by conducting a drum workshop on January 2019



Mr. Guthrie Govan, the famous Guitarist was invited to the school for workshop on October 2018



The Famous Jazz saxophonist Mr. George Brooks was invited to the school for a workshop on November 2018



## A walk through memory lane



SoPA students spread love & happiness through music among children at Children Resource Centre (NGO), October 2021



SoPA in the News





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