

Rohen Bose



Rohen Bose inherited the musical trait by birth. Born in a family of legends, his fate brought him under magnanimous pillars of music. His father Pandit Debojyoti Bose; a hallmark of Sarod himself from Senia Bangash Gharana is also a brilliant composer, lyricist and a knowledgeable tabla player. He started his training under his father at a very initial stage of his life. His musical acumen had grown to its par when he started tutelage under his elder uncle Pt. Kumar Bose, is the torchbearer of Banaras Gharana and one of the finest and most creative tabla maestros of all time. Pt. Bose has trained him to become his deserved legatee. He has also taken severe training on accompaniment from his younger uncle the legend Acharya Jayanta Bose.

Rohen has been performing with his father and uncles from a very young age. He has accompanied three of them in many a concert in different cities and states of India. He has also performed solo at distinguished conferences of the country and accompanied well-established artists of Indian Classical genre. Among the greats, he has performed with Pandit Tejendra Narayan Majumdar, Pandit Ronu Majumdar, Pandit Kushal Das, Smt. Haimanti Shukla and many more. He has presented music in some of the most renowned conferences such as SAPTAK (Ahmedabad), Uttarpara Sangeet Chakra (Kolkata), Dumdum Classical Music Festival (Dumdum), Gandharva Mahavidyalaya (Pune), Sangeet Mahabharati (Mumbai), West Bengal State Academy Conference (Kolkata), Vishnupur Utsav, Ramkrishna

Mission Institute of Culture, Sankat Mochan Sangeet Samaraho (Varanasi) and many more.

As a **multi-percussionist**, he has also performed with many fusion bands, orchestras and special duo concerts and has played and composed for numerous films. His experimental **Band ENCORE** received great recognition in the field of world music.

Apart from the practical training, he has completed his graduation and masters from the Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata under the stream Percussion. He has composed music for several student films in Bengali and English. He has also made two internationally acclaimed documentaries on his father and elder Uncle Pt. Kumar Bose. His film 'The Walk...... In search of the instinct' on his guru, Pandit Kumar Bose was shown all over the world in various Film Festivals and was chosen as a text in the film studies centre in Colorado.

His paper on 'The Language of Tabla: A linguistic discourse', has been recognized by several national and international universities. He has spoken about this in several seminars organised by various universities in India. He is apparently an independent scholar and a writer focusing on the relevance of Indian music in the modern world. His paper on USTAD ALLA RAKHA, "Beyond the Syllable- A hundred years of Ustad Alla Rakha" was presented exclusively at INDIA INTERNATIONAL CENTRE, NEW DELHI on the occasion of Khan Sahab's birth centenary. He also teaches Tabla and various Indian

percussions in his academy 'BOSE FOUNDATION FOR ART AND CULTURE'.

A Brief Photo Profile

Performances



Uttarpara Sangeet Chakra 2018



Rabindra Bharati University 2017 with Pandit Ronu Majumdar



With Pandit Tejendra Narayan Majumdar



Sangeet Piyasi, Kolkata 2016 with Pandit Kumar Bose and Pandit Debojyoti Bose



With Pandit Ronu Majumdar, Pandit Debojyoti Bose and Pandit Kumar Bose



Sangeet Mahabharati 2017 with Pandit Nayan Ghosh



Ramkrishna Mission Institute of Culture, Kolkata 2016

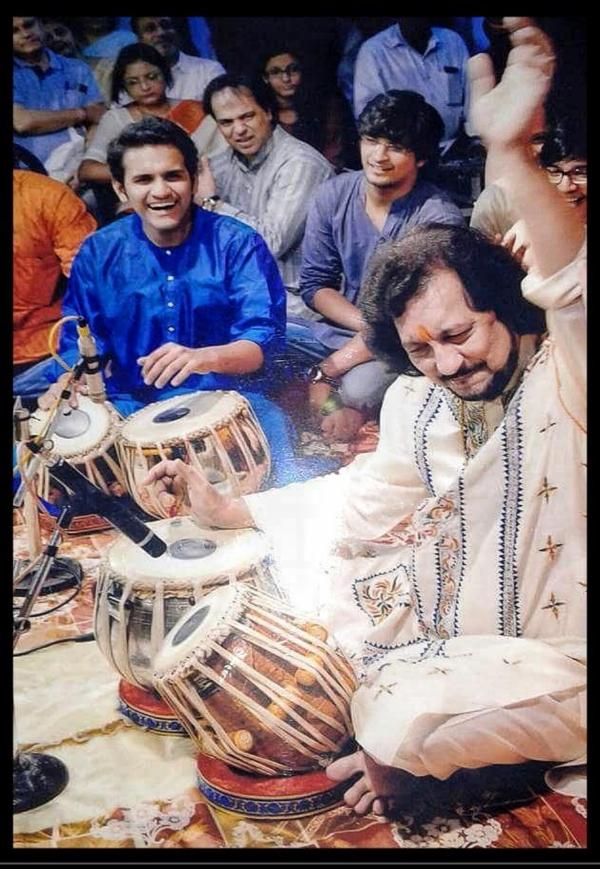
Pandit Kushal Das | Pandit Kumar Bose | Sri Kalyanjit Das



<u>Dhrupad Sarod at Prime Minister's office</u> <u>Hon'ble PM Narendra Modi and Prince of Saudi Arab Md. Bin Salman</u>



With Ustad Amjad Ali Khan Sahab



Sankat Mochan Sangeet Samaraho, Varanasi 2016 with
Pandit Kumar Bose



Solo at Gandharva Mahavidyalaya, Pune 2016



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Sankat Mochan Sangeet Samaraho 2019 With Sri Kalyanjit Das

Experimental Works



Encore Band at Dumdum Classical Festival



At the memorial concert of Vidushi Girija Devi



Encore Band at Naihati Classical Music Fest

Talks and Lectures



Beyond the Syllable- A hundred years of Ustad Alla Rakha At India International Centre, New Delhi 2019



Release of 'TheWalk- In search of the Instinct' by Pandit Vijay Kichlu

A documentary on Pandit Kumar Bose by Rohen Bose

REVIEWS

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Varanasi's tusk-to-dawn Sankat Mochan music fest is a spirited, secular eent where huge crowds pack the temple courtryard





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Exploring unknown spaces

Tabla exponent Pandit Kumar Bose explains the nuances of his music in a documentary made on him. Meena Banerjee writes

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of the "supreme musicality"
of a family of geniuses that
also includes Bose's
younger brothers Acharya
Jayanta Bose and sarod
virtuoso Debojyoti Bose,
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to live in the old,
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Nostalgic tributes to tabla legends









'It is the dream of every classical musician to play at Sawai'

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orn in the family of legends, Rohen Bose trained under his father Pt Debojyoti Bose. Later he was under the tutelage of his elder uncle, Pt Kumar Bose, of Banaras Gharana. Pt Bose has trained his nephew to become his deserved legatee. He has also taken intense training on accompaniment from his younger uncle. Acharva Javanta Bose.

He has accompanied his uncles and father at many concerts in different Indian cities. As a multi-percussionist, he has also performed

Chatting up tabla player **Rohen Bose**, who is performing in the city, on Friday

with fusion bands and orchestras. We chat him up ahead of his performance in the city...

This is the third time you are performing in Pune. Can you share your experience of performing in the city?

Pune makes for a great audience. Almost every third house here has a member who is acquainted with music. I get a lovely feeling when I perform here. Many times I feel that it is the same as Kolkata. This is what I like of Pune.

Speaking of Pune, one cannot miss talking about Bhimsen Joshi Sawai Gandharva Sangeet Mahotsav. What are your views on it?

It is the dream of every classical musician to perform at Sawai. My guru has performed there and if I get a chance, I will be

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Rohen Bose will perform at Gandharva Mahavidyalay, near Appa Balwant Chowk on Friday, September 15. The event will start at 6 pm overjoyed

However, to perform at Sawai you should be mature enough to handle that stage. This maturity only comes with years of practice and performing at other venues.

How is it being a part of the Bose family?

My journey with tabla started at a young age under my father's, guidance. Later I started taking tabla lessons from my uncle Pt Kumar Bose. My father and my uncles have been trained by my grandfather Pt Biswanath Bose, who was one of the first Bengali tabla players. In those days, most of the solo tabla maestros were from Varanasi and Lucknow. This legacy also brings a lot of expectations and at times uninvited comparison from people. It's taken for granted that I am going to perform the best.

You were into filmmaking and lately shifted to tabla. How did this transformation come about?

My father, apart from his solo performances, has also been giving music to various documen-

various documentaries, films and
for other Bengali artists.
That brought
me somewhere close
to the art of

filmmaking.

Although I was performing since my school days, I had not thought of taking it up as a profession. I was inclined to make films and wanted to become a director. However, I lacked proper education in it.

During my first year of college at Ravindra Bharti University (RBU), I had shot a documentary on my uncle, Pt Kumar Bose. During a duet performance in 2013, when I went up on the stage and saw the audience, I realised the aura around my uncle. I told myself, 'I'd better be serious about this'. Since then, it is only tabla.

Can you tell us about your presentation on 'The Language of Tabla: A Linguistic Discourse'?

During the three years at RBU, I learnt a lot about music and musicology, which was my degree subject. I took up tabla as a subject for my Masters. I liked what I learnt at the university However, I always felt that there is a lot that can be done in music exploration and music critique. This gave me an idea to do a research paper on music, especially music literature.

My research took me to the music literature of Banaras Gharana wherein the music literature was actually a combination of structured language along with the syllables of tabla. That caught my eye.

I started writing poems in this composition and used to gift them to my guru and my father on their birthdays or special occasions. Further research got me in touch with some experts and friends from Jawaharial Nehru University, who

told me that this was actually a language used some 200 years back. All this gave birth to the research paper.

Who are your idols in the world of tabla?

My guru is my idol.

Apart from him, there
are two people I look up
to. One is Pt Suresh Talwalkar and Pt Subhankar
Banerjee. I haven't had
the opportunity to meet Pt
Talwalkar in person. I have
just listened to his music and

I am amazed with his contribution to solo tabla performance.

Pt Banerjee is someone whom I have watched closely, as he is my father's friend. These two names have always overwhelmed me.

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नृत्य का आकषक मुद्राओं से भरे मोहिनीअर्म ने किया मंत्रमुम्ध, डॉ. सोमा घोष के गायन ने माहौल में भरा नया रंग, कुमार बोस के **तबले पर 'ताल' को मिली ऊंगर्ड**

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The Saudi crown prince also attended a musical gala where acclaimed artistes such as Debanjan Bhattacharjee, Nishant Singh and Rohen Bose performed in his honour.

News 18 covering PMO Concert of Dhrupad Sarod



Ananda Bazar Patrika covering PMO Concert of Dhrupad Sarod