

Workshop on Ankiya Bhaona from Dec 14



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AHARJYA OF ANKIYA BHAONA
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Dhing, Nagaon (Assam) **From December 14, 2014**

We are organising a 45 day **Workshop on Ahariya of Ankiya Bhaona**, at **Dhing, Nagaon** from **December 14, 2014**. Where costume making, ornament making, mask making, make-up, fire-works, properties and headgears etc will be taught practically and elaborately by leading experts of Assam. Only unemployed youths can apply for the workshop. Only one person will be selected from one place. It will be completely free and residential. Interested youths may contact our General Secretary **Mridu Moucham Bora (+919864906301)** immediately. **Last date of applying is December 10**. The workshop is sponsored by **Sattriya Kendra of Sangeet Natak Akademi**. **Dhing, Nagaon (Assam). From December 14, 2014**.



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The Society for Srimanta Sankaradeva is organising a 45 day free residential [workshop](#) at Dhing, Nagaon from December 14 on Ahariyabhinaya of Ankiya Bhaona. In this [workshop](#), costume making, ornament making, mask making, make-up etc will be taught practically and elaborately by leading experts of Assam. The objective is that the trainees should set up own workshops for producing these items and thus become self-employed after the [training](#). So only unemployed youths will be trained. The [workshop](#) is sponsored by Sattriya Kendra of Sangeet Natak Akademi. It is for the first time that such a comprehensive [workshop](#) on Ahariya of Ankiya Bhaona is being organised in Assam.

Preparation of Ahariya for Ankiya Bhaona is a dying craft. But it is an indispensable part of Sankari culture. Aharya is the one of the important part among four major part of Ankiya Bhaona. Srimanta Sankaradeva designed the Ahariyas of Ankiya Bhaona by blending local folk elements, motifs with the classical traits of Natyasastra. But as Ankiya Bhaona tradition is one of the oldest living tradition and it had been filtered through generations for more than five hundred years, a lot of migrated folk and contemporary elements merged into this art-form resulting in a polluted form. This phenomenon threatened the Ahariyabhinaya art-form upto such level that the Assamese people began to lose the original Ahariya of Ankiya Bhaona. So, it is a bounden duty for us to revive, practise and preserve the almost lost art-form in the basis of its vibrant tradition.

While the Sattras used to preserve this skill earlier, now there is dearth of skill. So Society for Srimanta Sankaradeva decided to train new generation in this craft, which happens to be an integral part of Ankiya Bhaona. The [training](#) will include Costumes, Make-up, Headgear, Ornaments, Masks, Properties, and Fireworks in the [workshop](#). Society for Srimanta Sankaradeva has sufficient expertise in this area. There

will also be exhibition of the products of the [workshop](#) after the [workshop](#) is over. Jadab Mahanta, Deka Sattriya of Bogi-aai Alengi Sattri will be the Director of the [workshop](#) and eminent Sankari artist Mridu Maucham [Bora](#) will be the [assistant](#) Director of the [workshop](#). Society for Srimanta Sankaradeva has invited experts from different parts of Assam as resource persons of the [workshop](#).

Society for Srimanta Sankaradeva extend invitation to all to attend the [workshop](#). Interested candidates who want to undergo [training](#) may contact Mridu Moucham [Bora](#) for enrolment. His contact nos are 9864906301 and 9401383517.

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