

Press Release

The last date for receipt of duly filled in prescribed entry forms for participation in the **14th Cantaram Competition of Kala Academy & Choir Singing Competition (North & South District) is extended to 1st March 2018** and the entry forms in the prescribed format along with copy the rules and regulations are available at the Prog. & Dev. Section, in Kala Academy Goa.

With a view of promoting talent in singing, preserving and reviewing the tradition of Tiatr songs and also to give incentive to new compositions in the line of Goan rich heritage of Tiatr performances the Kala Academy Goa organizing the 14th Cantaram Competition which will be held on 3rd March 2018 at the Black Box of Kala Academy.

The competition is organized with the performances of Decent and Comedy Cantaram under one category only. There shall be three prizes in each sub category i.e solo male and solo female, duet, due, trio, quartet (group) and choral cantar singing.

The competition shall be open to all the Goan artistes. There shall be no entry fee for participation in the competition. However, each participant will be paid T.A as per the norms of Kala Academy. And the transportation will be paid only at the day of performance. The artists shall be allowed to send only one entry in each category and the duration of each cantar should not exceed 7 minutes. The entries should be supported by four copies of lyrics and also N.O.C from the original composer, if any. The rehearsal of the artists with band music is fixed on 1st March., 2018 one day prior to the competition from 9.45 a.m to 4.30 p.m at the Black Box of Kala Academy, Complex.

The choir singing competition will be open to Goan artist's choir groups, institutions and churches. The competition will be held first on Sunday, the 4th March 2018 at Regional North Goa at 10.30 a.m in the Black Box of Kala Academy Goa, and at South Goa at 5.00 p.m in the Black Box of Ravindra Bhavan, Margao on Sunday, the 11th March 2018. The first five winning teams (choir groups) at District level North and South Goa will be eligible to compete at the state level competition which will be held Open Air Auditorium of Kala Academy Complex on Sunday, the 25th March 2018.

The groups will be allowed to present minimum two hymns and maximum three hymns. Maximum 12 minutes time will be given for group performance and 3 minutes for setting. Hymns are to be presented in Konkani. However, one hymn may be presented in any other language. One 'Motet' song may also be presented. The minimum number of participation should be five and maximum can be 15 including musicians. Singers shall be allowed to participate in only one group, however, musicians will be allowed to play in more than one group. Kala Academy will provide transportation charges of one vehicle as per the norms of Kala Academy. Besides, will pay Rs. 1,000/- to each participating group, as honorarium.

All the interested cantaram singers willing to participate in the said competition & Choir groups may collect the entry forms available in the office of Kala Academy during office hours and may also note that the last date for submission of entries in the prescribed format is **1st March 2018**.