

Dona Ganguly:



Dona Ganguly (Roy) is an Indian **Odissi** dancer. Dona Ganguly started learning dance from Amala Shankar when she was only 3 years old. Later she shifted to Odissi under the guidance of Guru Giridhari Nayek. After that She took her dancing lessons from **guru Kelucharan Mohapatra**. She has a dance troupe **Diksha Manjari**. In 1997 she eloped with and married her childhood friend and later Indian cricketer and skipper **Sourav Ganguly**. They married back in february 1997. The couple have a daughter Sana Ganguly.

Dona Ganguly was born on 22 August 1977 in an affluent business family in Behala, Kolkata. Her parents were Sanjeev Roy (father) and Swapna Roy (mother). She was a student of **Loreto Convent School** and completed her graduation from **Gokhale Memorial Girls' college**. **DOVER LAKE MUSIC CONFERENCE, UDAY SHANKAR DANCE FESTIVAL, RIVER FESTIVAL**, and **ANTIQUITY** were few of the shows in Kolkata where Dona showcased her talent. Not only this, Dona represented herself all over India in shows like the Konark Festival in Konark, Barak Utsav in Assam, Dakshin Mukambi National Festival in Kerala and tons of other prestigious events. Her talent had no boundaries overseas as well. China invited Dona in one of their most popular festivals **WORLD EXPO** in the year 2010. When her success was touching the sky, Dona thought of opening her own dance school. Her Diksha Manjari dance school was inaugurated by the legendary Lata Mangeshkar that has the capacity of more than 2000 students at a time. Other than dancing, this institution has other departments like Yoga, Drawing, Karate and Swimming. In October 2012; Dona Ganguly choreographed **Rabindranath Tagore's Shapmochan** which she called a sombre dance drama.