

### **Shantanu Deshmukh -**

**Started learning tabla at a young age but took it up as a profession and started studying seriously when I was around 14 years old.**

**Music came quite naturally to me as I was born into a family of musicians. My parents Smita Deshmukh and Milind Deshmukh are both musicians. Mother who is classical vocalist while my father is a tabla player & a fine artists. I consider myself fortunate as I was exposed to Indian Classical Music at an early age and as a result took a liking to it.**

### **Gurus-**

**Early lessons under my father Milind Deshmukh.**

**Started to learn under Pt Suresh Samant in Pune which continued for 4 years. Also**

**later learnt some nuances of Benaras Gharana under the guidance of Pandit Arvind Kumar Azad for sometime.**

**Currently learning under the guidance of the legendary Pandit Shubankar Banerjee (Kolkatta)**

### **Academic Qualification -**

**Currently studying in Savitribai Phule Pune University's Centre for Performing Arts - 'Lalit Kala Kendra'  
Pursuing a Master's degree in Music.**

**Passed the Alaankar Purna Exam of Akhil Bhartiya Gandharva Mahavidyalaya in the subject of Tabla with First Class marks.**

### **Prizes -**

- Won the Nadam Tabla competition (National Level)
- Won first prize in the government competition organised by Pimpri-Chinchwad Music Academy
- Won the prize for Nehru Yuva Kalakar competition.

### **Performances -**

**Performed Tabla solos in and around Pune.**

**Accompanied musicians of all three genres - Dance , Vocal , Instrumental music.**

**Performed at the following venues-**

1. Tabla solo in Ram Mandir Sangeet Sabha 2016 (PCMC)

2. Monthly Baithak in Mangal Murti Wada , Chinchwad 2016
3. All India Radio, Nashik with Flautist - Samruddha Kute ( Disciple of Pt. Hariprasad Chaurasia) in 2017
4. Tabla Solo in 'Swar-Saaz' organised by Forum for Music Foundation. 2018
5. Accompanied Sitar Artist Neeraj Amar Nath Mishra in a Baithak organised by an organisation named Devgandhar 2018
6. Performed with Sarod Artist- Nitish Purohit in Austin 40 Cafe House , Pune , 2018.
7. Performed in Swarsagar Music Festival in 2019 with Violinist - Aman Warkhedkar (Disciple of Pt Atul Kumar Upadhye & Tejas Upadhye)
8. Performed in TEDx PCCOE
9. Gave a Tabla performance in 'Sanvedana' 2019 in Aurangabad.
10. Accompanied a Sitar-Violin Jugalbandi organised by Velvet Arts in Pune , 2019.
11. Accompanied Classical Vocalist Smita Deshmukh (Disciple of Pt Sanjeev Abhyakar) in Latur for a Sangeet Mahotsav , 2019
12. Performed in 'SwarMehfil' a concert organised by Violin Academy , Pune , 2019.
13. Performed in DhaNi Sangeet Utsav Pune 2019 with Smita Deshmukh.
14. Performed with Santoor Player - Ninad Adhikari in 'Devgandhar- a musical journey' in Pune , 2019.
15. Accompanied Vid. Shruti Adhikari Ji (Santoor) in a tour organised by SPICMACAY , in Madhya Pradesh, 2020.
16. Accompanied for a Santoor duet by - Ninad Adhikari & Shruti Adhikari Ji in Mumbai 2020.
17. Accompanied Ninad Adhikari (Santoor) in DhaNi Yuva Baithak , Pune , 2020
18. Got the opportunity to share the stage with (Pt Arvind Azad) in 'Vasanti Sangeet Utsav' organised in Aurangabad , 2020.

19.Performed at the SwarSagar Sangeet Mahotsav 2021.

Awards -

Recipient of SwarSagar Yuva Puraskar 2021.