



Aditya Upadhya

Aditya is a founding member as well as the chief instructor at Vive La Salsa (VLS). He has been a professional dancer for over six years. With five years of introducing and training people in Salsa, he is one of ***India's Salsa Pioneers*** and a leading exponent and instructor of Latin American dances.

He has been trained in the Salsa way by *Sekou McMiller* (Chicago), *Kaytee, Gupson* (Singapore), *Joseph* (Hong Kong), *Toni & Debi* (London, UK), *Troy* (USA), *Roy & Sensual* (Paris), *Shaka Brown* (USA), *Jason* (Australia), *Pablo y Diana* (Spain), *Gavin* (Singapore), *Anton* (France/Philippines), *Amelie* (France/Philippines), *Neeraj Maskara* (Switzerland), *Edie Espinoza* (USA), *Cobo Brothers* (USA), *Super Mario* (UK), *Lee & Maria* (US) and *Susana Montero* (UK).

In April 2006, he ranked **3rd** in the ***Open Category*** of the ***All India Salsa Championships***, New Delhi, and was invited to perform at the ***India International Salsa Congress*** in Bangalore in September 2006.

His students have won the Gold Medal at the ***International Salsa India Fiesta*** 2005, held in New Delhi, and placed **2nd** at the ***India International Salsa Congress*** in Bangalore in August 2007.

In April 2007 he choreographed the Tollygunge Club dance sequence for the ***Saturday Club Inter-club Carnival Dance Competition*** in which the group placed **1st**.

In October 2007 Aditya was the judge and choreographer for the Eastern Zone for an all-India dance competition ***Aaja Jhoom Le*** soon to be aired on Zoom Television.

In the two years that VLS has been running he has taught over 400 students and each month the numbers keep growing.