

Golden Shine Cultural Welfare Trust

Annual Report 2021-2022



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:A Note of Gratitude from the Founders:

As we reflect on the journey of GoldenShine Cultural Welfare Trust through the year 2021-22, our hearts are filled with immense pride, deep emotion, and profound gratitude. This was a year that tested the limits of creativity, resilience, and hope—not just for us as an organization, but for every member of our community. And yet, what emerged from these challenges was something truly beautiful: a reaffirmation of why we began this journey in the first place.

GoldenShine was founded with a dream—to create a world where persons with disabilities, especially those who are passionate about music and the arts, are empowered, heard, and celebrated. This year, in spite of the constraints of the pandemic, we witnessed that dream take deeper roots and touch more lives than ever before.

From the voices that filled our virtual concert halls on World Music Day to the awe-inspiring performances of the GoldenVoice finalists, every initiative we undertook was a reminder of the incredible talent and untapped potential that exists within our differently-abled community. The applause may have been virtual at times, but the impact was deeply real.

None of this would have been possible without the generous support, encouragement, and faith of so many people—our mentors, faculty, jury members, donors, volunteers, well-wishers, and most importantly, our participants. To every artist who trusted us with their talent, to every parent who stood behind their child, to every supporter who cheered us on from afar—we offer our heartfelt thanks.

We are especially grateful to our small but mighty team that worked tirelessly to make sure every event, every class, every note played or sung carried the dignity and excellence GoldenShine stands for. In a time of uncertainty, your dedication became our strength.



As we step into the next chapter of our journey, we carry with us the melodies of courage, the rhythms of collaboration, and the harmonies of inclusion. There is still much to be done. There are more voices to amplify, more talent to nurture, and more hearts to reach—and with your continued support, we know we'll get there.

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you for being a part of this mission.

Let us continue to build a world where every person, regardless of their ability, has a stage to shine on.

With gratitude and hope,

Ankur Gupta & Chetna Nagpal

Founders & Trustees

GoldenShine Cultural Welfare
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About Golden Shine Cultural Welfare Trust

GoldenShine Cultural Welfare Trust was born from a shared dream — a vision of a more inclusive society where individuals with disabilities, especially those passionate about music, are given the same stage, spotlight, and respect as any other artist.

Founded by Ankur Gupta and Chetna Nagpal, both accomplished musicians and committed advocates of disability inclusion, GoldenShine strives to blend cultural enrichment with empowerment. Over the years, it has become a vibrant hub of training, opportunity creation, and performance for differently-abled musicians from all over India.

-: Our Story :-

Golden Shine is all about, paving a way for the others to follow. It all started as a childhood dream for Ankur Gupta and Chetna Nagpal, both people with visual disability to pursue music education, their challenges faced and finally making music accessible for all other disabled people.

The road was less travelled and very few to none opportunities were available, but this did not stop them from creating Golden Shine. This could not have been possible without the unparalleled support from Mohit Rathore who envisioned the same with them. Golden Shine Cultural Welfare Trust came into existence in 2018. Golden Shine is the manifestation of their vision that they continue to work for in a dedicated fashion. It aims to bring out the hidden talents of people with disabilities (PwDs) and the ones belonging to the economically weaker sections of society to give them a chance at life.

-: Our Mission :-

- To empower persons with disabilities by nurturing their musical talents and creating platforms for them to learn, perform, and earn through the arts.
- Our mission is to promote music education for people with disability by providing personalized, empathetic support and guidance.
- Through our mission, we hope to break down the barriers that prevent people with disability from pursuing their passion for music.
- We firmly believe that music education should be inclusive and accessible to everyone, and we are committed to making this a reality.
- Our mission is rooted by empathy and understanding, and we strive to provide personalized support that meets the unique needs of each individual.
- We strive to create a community where people with disability can come together to share their talents and to learn and grow as musicians.

-: Our Vision :-

To build an inclusive cultural ecosystem where differently-abled musicians are recognized, respected, and celebrated for their skills, passion, and artistic contribution.

Our vision is to create a world where music education is accessible to all, regardless of disability.

With our innovative approach, we hope to revolutionize the music education system and create a more inclusive and accessible world for people with disability.

-: Our Strategy :-

Our teaching team consists of experienced music educators and disability advocates who are passionate about creating a more inclusive and accessible music education system. Our approach is grounded by guidance and understanding. We recognize that each disabled individual has unique needs and abilities, and we strive to provide personalized support and guidance throughout the learning process

We work closely with students to understand their goals and aspirations, and we tailor our teaching methods to meet their specific needs. In addition to providing individual music lessons, we also offer group classes and workshops that foster a sense of community and belonging.



-: Organization Profile :-

In the year 2021-2022, GoldenShine Cultural Welfare Trust remained steadfast in its mission to empower differently-abled individuals through the transformative power of music and the arts. Despite the ongoing challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Trust embraced innovation and resilience, ensuring that the spirit of creativity and inclusivity continued to thrive across all its programs and initiatives.



This report chronicles our journey during the year, highlighting two of our most impactful events, our ongoing training programs, and the vision that continues to guide us. Through every note sung and every rhythm played, GoldenShine reaffirmed its belief in a world where talent knows no barriers.

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Golden Shine Cultural Welfare Trust is dedicated to empowering persons with disabilities through music and performing arts. Our mission is to build inclusive platforms, provide skill development, and generate income opportunities for differently-abled musicians across India.

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-: Annual Report 2021-2022 :-

In year of 2021-2022 our Organization did all activities related to Music. The main reason for founding Golden Shine was to impart Music to differently-abled adults, kids and underprivileged with Music training, both Classical, Semi Classical, Bollywood Songs and learning musical instrument such as Guitar etc. The year 2021-22 was a period of hope, creativity, and resilience. Despite the challenges posed by the pandemic, GoldenShine remained committed to empowering talented differently-abled musicians across India. From our innovative online World Music Day concert to India's first-ever singing reality show for the differently-abled – GoldenVoice – we witnessed remarkable talent and inspiring journeys.

We extend heartfelt thanks to our supporters, artists, and well-wishers for believing in our mission. With your continued support, we look forward to expanding our initiatives and making music truly inclusive.

On June 21, 2021, we celebrated World Music Day with an innovative online concert featuring differently-abled musicians from across India. Amid the pandemic, artists submitted video performances that were compiled into a virtual concert streamed on Facebook, YouTube, and other platforms.

Each artist received an honorarium, combining visibility with income support. This event stood as a symbol of resilience and creativity during challenging times.



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Golden Shine continues to offer regular music training in disciplines like vocal music, guitar, piano, and percussion. These sessions empower our differently-abled beneficiaries with both skill and confidence.

In the coming years, we aim to expand our reach to more remote regions, introduce advanced training modules, and create more inclusive performance platforms for differently-abled artists across India.

-: Our Objective :-

The objectives of Golden Shine are clear and are built with the betterment and upliftment of a people with disability to help them gain a status in the society built solely upon their talent.

We aim to provide personalized, adaptive music education that meets the unique needs of people with disability.

We aim to create a supportive community of disabled musicians that fosters a sense of belonging and empowerment.

We aim to promote disability awareness and advocacy within the music education system.

We aim to use technology and innovative teaching methods to make music education more accessible to people with disability.

We aim to assist with a platform for disabled musicians to showcase their talents and to inspire others.

We look forward to partner with organizations and stakeholders to promote disability rights and inclusion within the music industry.

Through these objectives, Golden Shine hopes to create a world where people with disability have the same opportunities to learn and perform music as everyone else.

-: World Music Day Online Concert :-

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-: Golden Voice - India's First Reality Show for Differently-Abled Singers :-

Golden Voice was conducted in a hybrid format with over 250 online audition entries. After five rounds of elimination, the top 5 finalists were invited to perform at the Grand Finale on December 5, 2021, at Azad Bhawan Auditorium, Delhi.

Prizes:

- Winner: ₹51,000
- First Runner-Up: ₹31,000
- Second Runner-Up: ₹21,000

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-: Accessible Music Training Program :-

Saakar, meaning "turning to reality," embodies Golden Shine Cultural Welfare Trust's commitment to providing accessible music training to individuals with disabilities. Through Saakar, we offer a comprehensive range of courses tailored to the unique needs of our students, all provided free of cost.

COURSES OFFERED:

- ✓ Hindustani vocals
- ✓ Guitar
- ✓ Piano
- ✓ Tabla
- ✓ Drums
- ✓ Flute
- ✓ And more...



Our courses are designed to meet the accessible music learning needs of persons with disabilities, ensuring that every student can explore their passion for music in a supportive and inclusive environment.

-: Certification upon Completion:-

Participants receive a certificate upon successful completion of the program. This certification recognizes their skills and dedication. It adds value to their resume or portfolio. The certificate can help in pursuing further music education or job opportunities. It also boosts confidence and encourages continued learning.

-: Inclusive Learning Materials:-

- ❖ Inclusive music materials ensure accessibility for all learners, regardless of ability or background.
- ❖ Use visual aids like color-coded notes and large-print sheet music.
- ❖ Include diverse musical genres from various cultures to promote global understanding.
- ❖ Provide audio recordings and tactile instruments for students with visual impairments.
- ❖ Offer simplified and adaptive instruments to accommodate physical or cognitive disabilities.
- ❖ Incorporate technology like music apps with accessibility features.
- ❖ Enable participation through group activities, body percussion, and call-and-response songs.
- ❖ Translate lyrics or instructions into local languages when needed.
- ❖ Celebrate music from underrepresented communities, including indigenous and marginalized voices.
- ❖ Design assessments that value creativity, participation, and individual growth.

-: Empowering Employment in Music and Arts:-

Promote music and arts as viable career paths for youth and marginalized communities. Offer skill-building workshops in performance, composition, visual arts, and production. Provide access to instruments, art supplies, and digital tools

for creative development. Connect students with mentors and professionals in the creative industries. Include training in entrepreneurship, branding, and digital marketing for artists. Create inclusive programs for people with disabilities to showcase their talents—partner with local artists, galleries, and music venues to offer internships or gigs. Organize community events and festivals that highlight emerging talent. Support traditional and indigenous arts to preserve culture and create job opportunities. Facilitate online platforms to sell artwork or stream music created by participants. Develop certification programs in arts education and technical skills. Encourage cross-cultural collaborations and exchange programs. Offer counseling and career guidance in creative fields. Advocate for government and private sector support of creative employment. Empower individuals to become not just artists—but community leaders and change makers. Empowering employment in music and arts helps individuals turn their creative talents into careers. Training programs provide skills in performance, teaching, sound production, and event management. NGOs play a key role by offering resources and mentorship.



-: Employment opportunities:-

Performer - Singers, instrumentalists, and bands in concerts, studios, or events.

Music Teacher - Teaching in schools, private lessons, or community programs.

Composer/Songwriter - Writing music for artists, films, ads, or games.

Sound Engineer - Recording, mixing, and mastering music in studios.

Music Therapist - Using music to support mental health and well-being.

DJ/Producer - Creating beats, remixes, and performing live sets.

Music Director - Leading choirs, orchestras, or school music programs.

Music Business - Roles in marketing, management, and artist development.

Event Coordinator - Organizing concerts, festivals, and music events.

Online Content Creator - Sharing performances, tutorials, or reviews on digital platforms.

-: Shining Stars Band :-

The Shining Stars Band is a talented group formed through a Golden Shine Cultural Welfare Trust music program. It includes young musicians from diverse and underprivileged backgrounds. The band showcases their skills in singing, drumming, and playing various instruments. They perform at community events, school functions, and cultural programs. Their music spreads joy while raising awareness for social causes. The band symbolizes hope, unity, and the power of opportunity. Shining Stars continues to inspire others with their passion and talent. With



captivating performances at numerous events, the band not only entertains audiences but also inspires others to embrace diversity and inclusion in music.

-: Empowering Through Performance:-

Empowering through performance in music helps NGO beneficiaries build confidence and self-worth. It gives underprivileged individuals a platform to express their emotions and talents. Performances at community events and NGO functions create visibility and pride. They help participants overcome stage fear and develop communication skills. Music becomes a voice for those who are often unheard. These performances also raise awareness for social causes supported by the NGO. Audiences connect emotionally, creating a stronger sense of community. The experience motivates learners to pursue music as a career. It also highlights the impact of the NGO's training programs. Through music, lives are transformed with confidence, joy, and purpose.

-: Ongoing Music Training Programs:-

Golden Shine continues to offer regular music training in disciplines like vocal music, guitar, piano, and percussion. These sessions empower our differently-abled beneficiaries with both skill and confidence.

-:Key Activities & Initiatives:-

1. Online Concert - World Music Day (June 21, 2021)

With COVID restrictions in place, the world turned digital — and so did we. On the occasion of World Music Day, GoldenShine curated a unique online concert that showcased the diverse and exceptional musical talents of differently-abled individuals from all corners of India.

Artists were invited to record and share videos of their performances, which were professionally compiled into a cohesive digital concert. The event was streamed across Facebook, YouTube, and other social media platforms, reaching a wide audience and earning heartfelt appreciation.

This event was more than just a celebration of music — it was a platform for empowerment. Every participating artist was provided an honorarium, thus making it not just an opportunity to shine, but also a source of income at a time when most offline gigs and performances had come to a halt.

2. GoldenVoice - India's First Singing Reality Show for the Differently-Abled

GoldenShine made history in 2021 by launching GoldenVoice, India's first-ever singing reality show exclusively for differently-abled individuals. This groundbreaking initiative combined accessibility with excellence, and talent with opportunity.

The competition kicked off with an overwhelming 250+ online auditions from across India. Conducted in a hybrid format, the show featured:

- Five thrilling elimination rounds judged by a panel of eminent musicians and music educators.
- Progressive shortlisting of contestants — with two participants eliminated in each round, leading to a final top five.

- A grand finale held in physical format at the prestigious Azad Bhawan Auditorium, Delhi, on December 5, 2021, after pandemic restrictions were eased.

The atmosphere at the finale was electric — not only was the event a massive celebration of music and resilience, but it also became a powerful reminder of the immense talent present in small towns and remote areas of the country.

Winners of the GoldenVoice competition:

- Winner: Trophy + Cash Prize of ₹51,000
- First Runner-Up: Cash Prize of ₹31,000
- Second Runner-Up: Cash Prize of ₹21,000

The impact of this event extended far beyond the stage — it became a beacon of possibility for many aspiring musicians with disabilities.

3. Ongoing Music Training Programmes

Alongside events, our flagship training programs continued throughout the year, with sessions being held both online and in hybrid formats depending on accessibility and safety considerations.

GoldenShine's training initiative focuses on building musical proficiency in a wide range of disciplines, including:

- Vocal Music
- Keyboard & Piano
- Guitar
- Percussion Instruments



Our music classes are designed keeping in mind the diverse needs of learners, especially those with visual impairments or other disabilities. These classes are not just artistic endeavors but also professional training programs that help our beneficiaries prepare for a future in the music industry – as performers, composers, or educators.

Many of our students have already started performing professionally and are earning through their talent – a testament to the success of our ongoing programs.



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