

THE MASTER STORYTELLER

-Geeta Ramanujam



**Enriching and Nurturing –The Storytelling Way
Through decades**

THE MASTER TRAINER

- ❖ Geeta Ramanujam a veteran trainer, Story coach who bags an experience of 22 years in the field of Storytelling.
- ❖ Degree- Masters in Economics, Masters in Education and Bachelor of Library & Information sciences.
- ❖ Founder of IAST_ The international Academy of Storytelling-1998-2018
- ❖ The only Globally recognised Academy for storytelling in the world.
- ❖ Story Curator and reviver of oral narratives for the global audience.
- ❖ A crusader for change management and the Storytelling framework - Transforming people's thinking & creativity
- ❖ Impacting Young minds to think differently-
- ❖ Spinning new yarns to keep stories alive in little hearts.
- ❖ Corporate Trainer Leveraging new perceptions & ideologies.
- ❖ Faculty at The Azim Premji Univ & University of Gothenberg ,Sweden
- ❖ Renowned Speaker at International & National Conferences.



AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- **Inaugurated** the first Indian, Dubai, Poland, Sweden, Bahia Brazil International Storytelling festivals.
- **Receipient of several International Storytellers Awards**-besides the Bo CaDeu festival at Sao Paulo in 2016.
- **International affiliations** for Storytelling courses in India from Sweden, Scotland and the USA.
- **First Indian storyteller** to perform and train at Dubai, SriLanka, UK, Cambridge, Germany, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Austria, Brazil, Peru and USA.
- **The first Indian coordinator** to collaborate with the Ministry of Culture in Sweden to set up Storywood - the first Storytelling festival in Sweden.
- **First Indian Coordinator** of the Red International Storytelling Network representing 163 countries around the world and recognized by UNESCO
- **Representative** at the International Jonesborough festival in USA
- **To Set up International Storyspaces** in Latin America and Ireland
- **The Limca book of records for organizing the first International storytelling festival in India-2005**

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- ❖ Ashoka fellowship
- ❖ International Storytellers award at the
- ❖ BoCA Deu festival, Brazil
- ❖ Karnataka Women and Child Welfare award Rotary awards
- ❖ Bangalore Hero award
- ❖ Bangalore 94.3 FM award
- ❖ Bangalore Citizen award-Nemma Bengaluru
- ❖ School awards for best achiever



TESTIMONIALS

- ❖ The deep philosophy and the emphasis on us as people as a whole to become better storytellers.- *Anjali Cariappa – School Principal .*
 - ❖ It was like taking a Holy dip, offering prayers and creating stepping stone for destiny – *Shanker Annapindi- corporate trainer Hyderabad.*
 - ❖ Workshops are simple, insightful and energizing. It gave me a feeling that I am good at many things. It reversed my belief.-*Krishna G,Sr. Consultant Mercury International.*
 - ❖ Ms.Geeta is a very inspiring teacher and her wisdom is amazing.She explained us through stories the skill needed for storytelling.-
❖ *Mirette said Bahget, NGO for street children - Egypt*
 - ❖ Thank you for conducting such a wonderful session yesterday- a life time treasure for me! Others too have lots of appreciation for the program.I must say that put forward everything in such a simplistic manner that made the entire session very engaging, enjoyable and insightful.
❖ *Praveen Sinha – VP Corporate HRD- Escorts Pvt Ltd.*
- Thank you once again.
- ❖ *“Geeta is the goddess of storytelling and Kathalaya her heart beating for the world.” Linda Williamson, Author and Storyteller, Edinburgh*

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"I think it had to happen. It's so strange," Ramanujam said. "For me my belief and my thought was in the U.S., everything had to be organized well ahead, whether you want to meet someone—but this just happened. And I began to believe in a lot of things after that. It all fell in place."

After attending the National Storytelling Festival in 2003, Ramanujam returned to India and began what would become India's first storytelling festival and would land the event in the Guinness Book of World Records. But her story doesn't start there. Ramanujam

THE RETELLER

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Ramanujam also sings while narrating stories, to engage her students. She can easily spot if the listeners are interested in the story or not.

Renowned storyteller Geeta Ramanujam will conduct a workshop and story session in the city this week

Geeta Ramanujam was introduced to the art of storytelling when she was a youngster growing up in Bombay, in the 1960s. Her parents would narrate all kinds of tales to her, which left an indelible impression on the internationally renowned Bengalurbased storyteller. "I grew up on stories in absence of the internet," she said.

Showreel: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1nRK3dT8oWg>

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