

Tackling challenges is greatest learning: Dancer Ananda at Harvard

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Life is all about challenges, and facing them is “our greatest learning”, renowned motivational speaker and dancer-choreographer Dr Ananda Shankar Jayant said at an international event in America.

“It is during testing times that our innate calling becomes the super conductor that taps into the creative force of the universe,” the Padma awardee Bharatanatyam-Kuchipudi exponent told India Conference at Harvard, referencing her own journey of dancing through cancer.

Calling young professionals in particular to tread the tracks of their intimate interests even while pursuing career, she said at ‘Inspire’ series at the event in Boston: “Ensure your pension, but don’t you dare give up on your passion.”

“This well-spring of supreme positive energy is your core strength. It is entirely at your command. All you need to exercise is the ‘choice to choose’,” added the speaker.

A top bureaucrat working in the Telangana capital where she runs Shankarananda Kalakshetra, Dr Ananda’s talk on the nurturing and pursuit of an alternate calling or passion struck a deep chord with the audience at the two-day conference on ‘India in Transition — Opportunities and Challenges’.

The Other speakers included chef Vikas Khanna, institution-builder Dr Pramath Sinha and fashion designer Anita Dongre.

Dr Ananda, who is a Sangeet Natak Akademi awardee, will continue her talks, workshops and dance performances across the US. The eight-city itinerary covering 15 events ends on February 25.



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