



NANDINI RAO

CO- FOUNDER &
ARTISTIC
DIRECTOR

YOURS TRULY
THEATRE

ARTIST PROFESSIONAL PROFILE



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THEATRE CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

Finalist of the Young Creative Entrepreneur award by the British Council in 2011.

TED SPEAKER

ART APPRECIATION

[Ted.com/talks/nandini_rao_art_appreciation_and_you](https://ted.com/talks/nandini_rao_art_appreciation_and_you)

She along with her group represented India at the **Edinburgh Fringe Theatre Festival** as well as at the European Theatre festival in 2012.

Nandini has been featured as Young Artists Changing the Course of Theatre in India and her group Yours Truly Theatre has been rated as the top 20 groups in India by Broadway World

Winner of 'Innovation in Training & Development' - Asia's Excellence Award 2017

Karmaveer Chakra Award 2019

UN fellowship 2019

Leadership award for Diversity & Inclusion - World HRD congress 2017

She also performed and conducted workshops across Europe – in the UK, Netherlands, Switzerland, France, Italy and Germany.

BIOGRAPHY

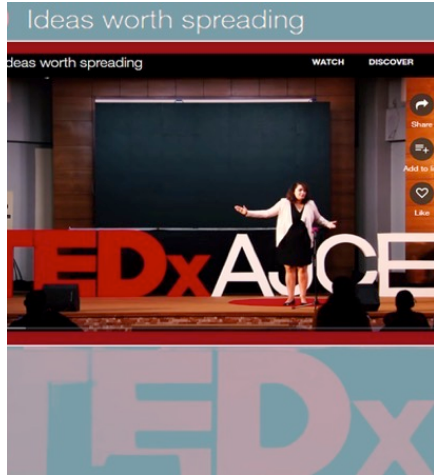


A play at the event 'WOMEN OF IMPACT' at Cisco Bangalore Campus. Trained, Directed & hosted by Nandini Rao



- Nandini Rao is the Co Founder & Artistic Director of Yours truly theatre and Founder of company Life Unscripted (www.lifeunscripted.nl)
- She hails from one of the Bangalore's oldest family 'Prabhath' known for keeping arts & theatre alive over four generations. Her sheer madness for creativity led her to pursue her academics in Fine Arts (Applied Arts & Design) from Karnataka Chitra Kala Parishat and parallelly got her training in theatre from international trainer and well known directors nationally.
- With more than 20 plus years of overall theatre experience, She is one of the few Leading Women Theatre Directors in India and her first love towards direction led her to scripting plays, acting onstage, training actor, volunteering on every facet of performance, visualising light, sound, costume, set design and of course the biggest feat of creating and sustaining theatre group over 18 plus years.
- She scripted and directed her first play ' Pair of glasses' for Peace Festival. From then she scripted multiple plays and initial work included Music for eyes, Maya, Friend philosopher & guide, Clt+Alt+Del. Subsequent years she developed unique style of devising theatre production with heavy influence of improvisation in recent productions like Common Man, Bhagwaan Dhoondo, CM (V2) , Hastag Vengance and Mid Summer Nights Dream which opened the Deccan Herald Theatre Festival in 2014, Sputnik Moments.
- **Formats of Theatre** - Nandini has been trained & certified in international formats of theatre : Playback Theatre, Forum Theatre, Improv short and long forms, Boals Rainbow of Desire Psychodrama, Art , Drama & group therapy
- With her creativity DNA she has been able to infuse the conventional theatre methodologies along with extensive Improvisation theatre to devise new formats of theatre like
- Complete the story, Black Rainbow Project, Mushaira Theatre, Kannada Kavya Chilume, Perspective Theatre, Clown Improv
- She also applies Theatre as a tool for Learning & Development in corporates and has trained Brands like LinkedIn, SONY, Cisco, Goldmans Sachs and more

Nandini Rao's,
presenting her
TED Talk
on 'Art
Appreciation
and You'.



UN FELLOWSHIP &
KARMAVEER AWARD, NEW DELHI



Award for Leadership in Diversity & Inclusion
at World HRD conference , Mumbai



British Council Award shortlist for
Young creative enterprenuer award

ASIA TRAINING &
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AWARD –
INNOVATION in
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SINGAPORE 2017

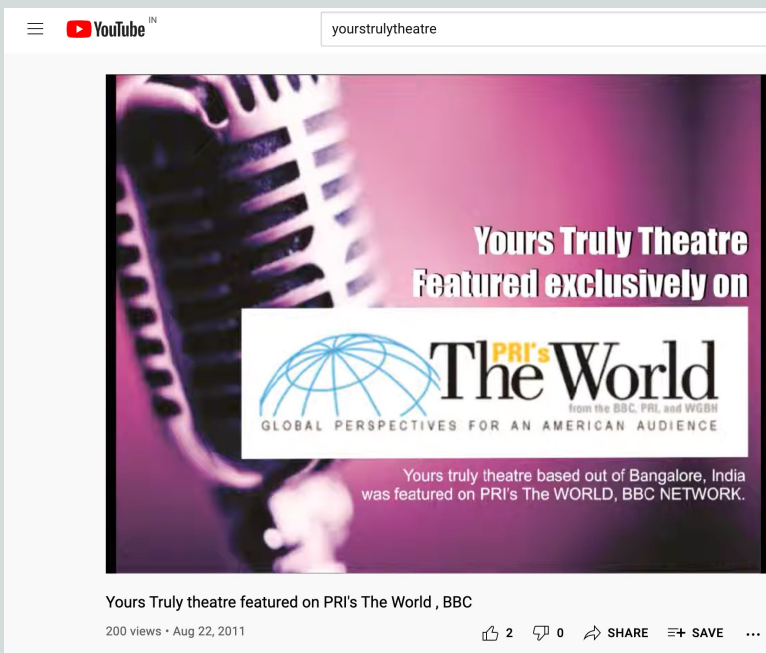




Her theatre group has two centres one in Delft, Netherlands and another in Bangalore, India
Nandini resides in Netherlands with her husband Titus Langelveld.



Nandini Rao & her theatre group Yours Truly Theatre exclusively featured on BBC & PRI's The world



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Bangalore's Yours Truly Theatre Improv Troupe

The World

August 18, 2011 · 1:30 PM EDT

Reporter **Alex Gallafent**

Host **Lisa Mullins**

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Improvisational theater is common in the west, and it's a mainstay of comedy in the United States. Think of Chicago's Second City, The P.I.T. in New York, or the countless improv-trained stalwarts of Saturday Night Live. Improv is now taking root in other parts of the world too. Sometimes it crops up in business situations as a tool for staff development, and it's also becoming a tool for overseas theater companies working towards social goals. In Bangalore, a major city in south India, there's a young company called Yours Truly Theatre, one of only a handful of Indian theater groups working with improv techniques. The company performs improvised plays for adults and children; it improvises in a variety of languages; and now it's practicing improv comedy, American-style.

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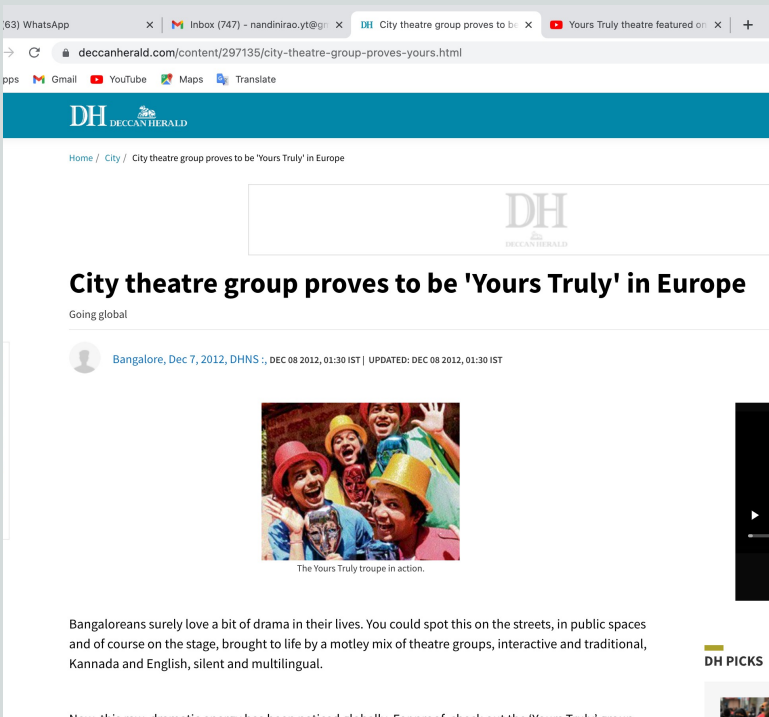
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LINKS

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y9mMKL4fkW4>

MEDIA & ARTICLES



- Your Story.com : [It's Show Time! Bangalore based Yours Truly brings Improv and Innovative Theatre to India](#)

TimesofIndia - [Playback theatre – a blend of acting, therapy and fun](#)

Dailymail.uk - [How working through the drama: How theatre helps office workers in conflict resolution](#)

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more: <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/indiahome/india/news/article-2763607/How-working-drama-How-theatre-helps-office-workers-conflict-resolution.html#ixzz58JqdfcLz>

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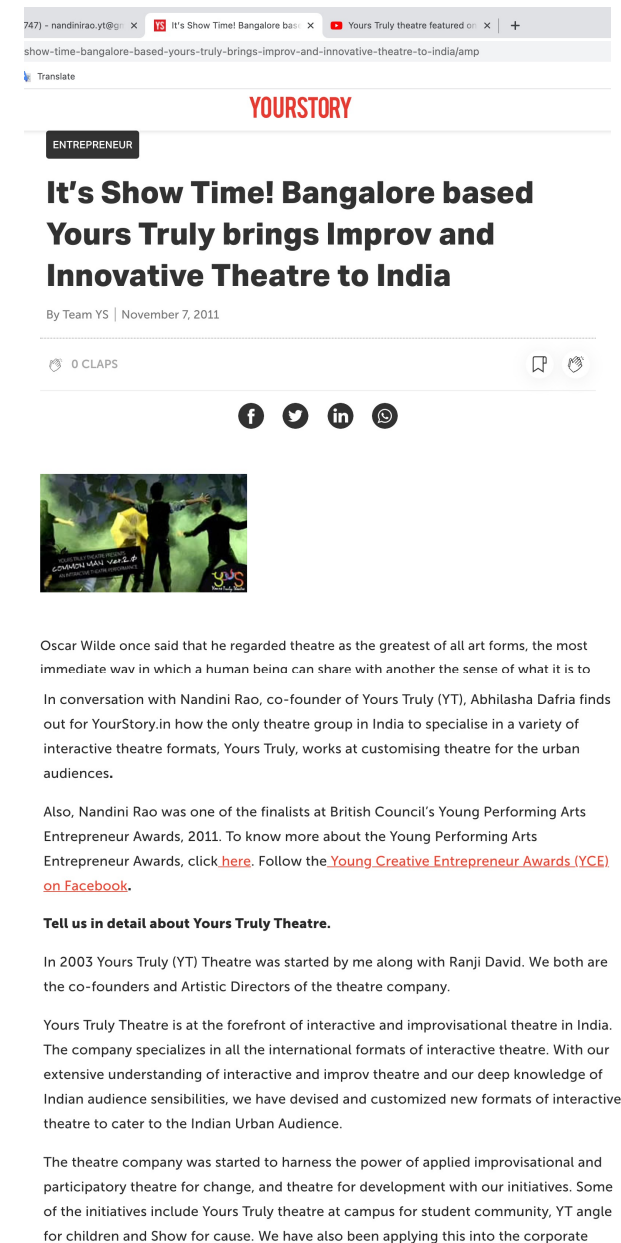
India Today : [Summer vocations](#)

- THEATRE IS TERRITORY - [10 questions](#)

Deccanherald.com - [City theatre group proves to be 'Yours Truly' in Europe](#)

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bangalorefirst.in - [Reality strikes with playback](#)



A collage of newspaper clippings from various Indian publications, including Dina, Dinakrity, Bangalore City, and Living. The clippings feature articles about theatre, art, and social issues. Key articles include:

- Dina:** "Vaishali Chandra, sheen & heard Bringing theatre alive" and "Brunch with a difference".
- Dinakrity:** "Finding answers in theatre of interaction" and "Life imitates art".
- Bangalore City:** "A delicious Sunday brunch" and "Volunteers on call".
- Living:** "Play time" and "The theatre of life".
- Other clippings:** "Now, graphics to convey message!", "Future perfect", "Art close to your heart", "A delicious Sunday brunch", "Volunteers on call", "Life imitates art", "The theatre of life", "Now, graphics to convey message!", "Future perfect", "Art close to your heart", "A delicious Sunday brunch", "Volunteers on call", "Life imitates art", "The theatre of life", "Now, graphics to convey message!".

The clippings are arranged in a layered, overlapping fashion, creating a rich visual texture. The text is in various fonts and sizes, reflecting the original newspaper layouts. The overall theme is the intersection of art, culture, and social commentary in contemporary India.

MEDIA & ARTICLES



NANDINI RAO
ON SUVARNA NEWS CHANNEL
SHARING ABOUT
BLACK RAINBOW THEATRE PROJECT FOR BLIND

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rij4eoZIE50>

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