# Bhupesh Kumar Pandya

Graduated from National School of Drama, Delhi and have worked in more than 100 stage plays & 1600 street play shows in theatrical journey of nearly 27 years (started in 1989) including 18 years Experience in Films, Tv and Radio.

### Work Experience

- Working as Freelance Theatre & Media Professional.
- Appointed as a Judge by Association of Indian Universities (AIU) for 28<sup>th</sup> North Zone Inter University Youth Festival,2012 at Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar.
- Working as Visiting Faculty at AJK MCRC, Jamia Millia Islamia University, (M.A. Mass Communication Performance Media, P.G. Diploma in Acting Acting) Delhi.
- Working as **Visiting Faculty (Dramatics and Presentation Techniques)** at Mumbai Academy of Movie and TV Arts, Mumbai.
- Worked as **Speech and thought line director** with **'Kaleidoscope'** (a big film production house) for theatrical project **'Karna The Warrior of the Rising Sun'** in 2007.
- Worked with **NSD Repertory Co. as an Artist** from 2006-2007.
- Worked with 'Aaj Theatre Repertory Company' as a Senior Artist /Deputy Executive Director from 2001-2006.
- Designed, Directed and Scripted National Campaign against Child Domestic Work for 'Save the Children UK' at Delhi in June 2005.
- Worked as dubbing artist (Voice Actor) for the light and sound show under the direction of B.V. Karanth in 1999.
- Participated in many National and International theatre festivals like 'Bharat Rang Mahatosav', 'Nandikar Festival', 'Prithvi Festival', 'Omshivpuri Memorial Theatre Festival' etc.
- Associated with **NSD** as a resource person in its extension activities.
- Have done 1600 (approx.) street play shows in rural areas of Rajasthan and in some parts of Gujarat, based on Literacy, Polio, Poverty & Communal Harmony and almost 100 stage plays in all over the India.

Padmashri Ramgopal Bajaj (Acting), Padmashri Guru Gambhir Singh Munda (Chhau,), B.V. Karanth, Mohan Upreti (Music), Pt. Satyadeo Dubey (Speech, Voice, Diction, Acting) Peter James (Acting, Improvisation), Naseeruddin Shah, Dr. Robert Clare (Acting), Tanveer Akhter, Prasanna, Vaman Kendre, MK Raina, Chetan Datar, Tripurari Sharma, Rajinder Nath, Ranjit Kapoor, Chittranjan Tripathi, Bhanu Bharti, Mohan Maharshi, Souti Chakraborty, Veena Busnoormath, Sir Raina, K.N.Panikker, Russel Brown, MK Robin Raghunandan, Amal Allana, Sanjay Upadhyay, Stuart Cox, Prof. D.R.Ankur, Ashwini Pankaj, Satish Anand, Mahedra Modi, Laique Hussain, Daulat Vaid, Dadi Padamjee (Puppetry), Alok Chatterjee (Acting, Speech), Pawan Sharma, Sudhir Kulkarni (Makeup), Suresh Bhardwaj (Lighting) Nibha Joshi (Aesthetics), Dolly Ahlluwalia, Amba Bapi Bose (Scenic Design, Set Design), Sanyal (Costume Design), Akhilesh Khanna (Acting Theories), Kirti Jain (Modern Indian Drama), Anuradha Kapoor (Production Process), Prof. Shama Chaudhary (World Drama), Prof. K.S. Rajendran (Classical Indian Drama), etc.

### Workshops Conducted & Attended

#### **Conducted:**

- Maestro-An Acting Workshop organized by theatre group NADBRAHMA in Udaipur, 2012
- Theatre workshop with 'ANUKRITI', Miranda House college (Delhi University) from 20-2-2013 to 08-3-2013.
- Theatre workshop for Executive Trainees, **NTPC**, **Rihand** from 10-12-2012 to 22-12-1012.
- Theatre workshop in GAIL, Noida from 16-11-2012 to 30-11-2012.
- Acting workshop for theatre group of **Miranda House College** affiliated from Delhi University, Delhi in 2010-2011.
- Workshop for School Teachers (from All Over India) organized by **C.C.R.T.** Delhi from 13<sup>th</sup> Aug. to 17<sup>th</sup> Aug.2007.
- Workshop for Executive Trainees of NTPC to **Develop Management Skills** through theatre activities from 2002-2007.
- Workshop for **CSR** (**Corporate Social Responsibility**) activities organized by NTPC in 2007.
- **Production oriented Theatre workshop** for children with disabilities in 'Umang' 2004 (from 25-29 October 2004) organized by W.Z.C.C., Udaipur as Senior Director.
- **Special integrated workshop** for children (27<sup>th</sup> October 2004) in 'Umang' 2004 organized by W.Z.C.C., Udaipur as a Senior Director.

- Puppetry, song and street play workshops for school teachers in interior areas of Rajasthan like Garhi, Bagidaura, Pipalkhunt, Sajjangarh etc. in 1991-1993.
- Conducted more than **50 theatre and acting workshop** for all age groups in all over the india from past 20 years.

#### Attended:

- Street play writing, presentation and training workshop organized by State Resource Centre (Adult Education), Jaipur from 20<sup>th</sup> March to 27<sup>th</sup> March 1993.
- Theatre workshop (prod. oriented) organized by Jawahar Kala Kendra, Jaipur and Nehru Yuvak Kendra, Banswara from 15<sup>th</sup> February to 5<sup>th</sup> March 1993.
- Intensive theatre workshop (prod. Oriented) organized by National School of Drama and Rajasthan, Sangeet Natak Academy from 21<sup>st</sup> November to 31<sup>st</sup> Dec. 1998.
- Intensive theatre workshop (prod. Oriented) organized by National School of Drama and Rajasthan Sangeet Natak Academy ,Jodhpur from 28<sup>th</sup> Jan to 01<sup>st</sup> March, 1994.
- **'Kala Shivir'** organized by Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH) for Dungarpur Chapter- Rajasthan on 20<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1991.

# Conference Attended

• International Conference cum Workshop on 'Towards a Cultural Ecology' organized by Development Action Society (DAS) Borunda, Jodhpur from 7<sup>th</sup> March to 14<sup>th</sup> March, 1998.

# Research/Grant/ Projects/Dissertation

- Folk theatre of Kashmir: Bhand Pather (unpublished), 2000.
- **Individual Production Grant** by Ministry of culture for play (Old World) year 2011-2012.
- A journalistic study and tabulation of 'Thavar Magazine' of Raj. Patrika during MJMC, 1997.

• Exploration of Archaeological sites in Vagar region of Rajasthan during PG diploma in History & Archaeology of Raj, 1996.

### Writing/Adaptation/Translation

- John Osborne's 'Look Back in Anger' in 2011.
- Hindi translation of G.P. Deshpande's famous Marathi play 'Chanakya Vishnugupta' First performance by NSD Repertory on 27 May, 2003.
- 'Waat Heera Bhagat Ni' (Street play based on illiteracy and dowry system) published by State Resource Centre (Adult Education), Jaipur in 'Ratar Daro', 1993.
- Hindi adaptation of folk tales for children published in 'Balhans' (Rajasthan Patrika), 1997-1998.

### Experience in T.V.

#### **Direction and VO**

- Worked as **Casting Director** for film 'Murder' based on Benazeer Bhutto for **Star News**, 2011.
- Worked as **Asstt. Director** for 'Mera Studio Mere Mehman'(A serial for **Doordarshan**), 2004.
- "Pahunchaaye Aapki Aawaz Aap Tak Aaj Tak' V.O. for Aaj Tak ,2003.
- Worked as **Asstt. Director** for 'India's Most Wanted' (A Crime based programme for Zee TV), 2002.

### Acting

- 'Zindagi.com' a serial on E-Governance directed by Umesh Bisht on **DD** National.
- 'Manda' a serial based on Metreyi Pushpa's novel Mandakini directed by Tanuja Shanker for **DD National**.
- 'Hitler Didi' for Zee TV, 2012.
- 'V/s Union of India', a documentary for Star News which won National Television Award, 2012.
- Ad. Film for **DMRC**, Delhi directed by Umesh Bisht, 2012.

- Ad. Film for 'Birla Wall Putty' by Lowe Lintas, 2012.
- 'Gali Gali Sim Sim' Produced by MIDITECH for Cartoon Network and Pogo, 2010-2011.
- Played major role of 'PRABHU' in DD National's Daily soap 'Kyunki jeena.....' (501 Episodes) Produced by UNICEF, NRHM and MIDITECH, 2006 2011.
- Ad. Film for UP Govt. By 'Grey' Mumbai, 2010.
- 'Murder' a film based on Benazir Bhutto murder case. Played two characters for **Star News**, 2010.
- 'Circus' Ad. Film directed by Rajiv Menon and produced by BBC, 2005.
- 'Kareem' for DD Urdu, 2004.
- 'Kabhi aaye na judaai' for Star plus, 2003.
- 'India's Most Wanted' directed by Rajesh Tailang, 2002.
- 'Eshaan' (Pilot Episode) directed by Joy, based on Polio, 2002.
- 'Aapas Mein' a daily soap directed by Umesh Sehgal for **DD Metro**, 2002.
- 'Khabardar News Network' directed by Siddarth & Ankur Tiwari, 2001.
- Acted in many recreations for Aaj Tak and Star News.

# Experience in Films

- Played 'Chaman' in Feature film 'Vicky Donor' Directed by Shoojit Sircar, 2012. (The film has won three National Awards)
- 'Kukkoo Mathur ki Jhand ho Gayi' feature film directed by Aman Sachdeva. (Prod. Balaji Telefilms and Bijoy Nambiyar) Releasing soon.
- 'Dil Patang' Directed by Vivek Chaudhary. (Releasing soon)
- 'O Tteri' directed by Umesh bisht. (Releasing soon)
- 'Muavza' Directed by Girish Juneja Releasing soon)
- 'Siddharth' an Indo-Canadian film directed by Richi, 2012.
- Played Mr. Subhash Bose in feature film 'Gandhi to Hitler', 2011.
- 'Lanka' feature film directed by Maqbool khan, 2011.

- 'Dussehara' short film directed by Jigyasa Taneja (California Institute of Arts, U.S.A.), 2004.
- 'Jeet' feature film directed by Lavleen Thadani (FTII), 2002.
- 'Hazzaaron Khwahishen Aisi' feature film directed by Sudhir Mishra, 2002.

### Experience in Radio

- Almost 7 years of experience in All India Radio (Udaipur and Banswara Stations) as **Casual Announcer**, **compere and drama artist** from 1991 to 1998.
- Invited as **Programme Advisor for AIR**, Udaipur station in 1992 (Letter No. S.D.U./24/P/92/4820 dated 9-9-1992.

### Other Experience

- Worked as trainee in the **Archaeological Excavation of Chalcolithic period's site at Balathal**, Udaipur under the guidance of Prof. V.N. Mishra (V.C. of Deccan College, Pune) and Dr. Lalit Pandey (Institute of Rajasthan Studies, Udaipur), 1995-1996.
- Worked on the news desk of **Raj. Patrika as trainee** Sub Editor, 1997-1998.
- Selected as **casual artist by song and drama division** (Ministry of Information and Broadcasting) Jodhpur in 1996. (Letter No. G-11015/2/96-Jodhpur).

### Professional Qualification

• Graduated from National School of Drama, New Delhi with specialization in acting in 2001.
Fellowship

One year apprentice fellowship awarded by N.S.D. on 'Galaleng: A research based study and its documentation' (A narrative folk style of Rajasthan and Gujarat's Jogi community) in 2001 - 2002.

- Film Appreciation Course with Gayatri Chatterjee (FTII), 2001.
- Master of Journalism and Mass Communication from Raj. University, Jaipur, 1997.

• Bachelor of Journalism and Mass Communication from Kota Open University, Kota, 1995.

# **Educational Qualification**

- Master of Arts in Hindi Literature from Mohan Lal Sukhadia University, Udaipur, 1993.
- Post Graduate diploma in History and Archaeology of Rajasthan from Rajasthan Vidyapeeth, Udaipur, 1996.
- Bachelor of Science in Biology from Mohan Lal Sukhadia University, Udaipur, 1991.

### Extra Curricular Activities

- **Member of village volunteer force (V.V.F.)**, Sagwara (Rajasthan) V.V.F./2/93-94/23.
- Participated in '10th International Snow Sculpting Championship' (NAYORO) Japan Cup, 2010.