

EAST WEST UNIVERSITY CLUB FOR PERFORMING ARTS

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East West University Club for Performing Arts (ECPA) is the largest club of East West University with around one hundred highly active members who are versatile and very much dedicated to cultural activities. In this club, all the members are given their opportunities to show their expertise in different cultural segments. ECPA's cultural activities include music, drama, recitation and dance. As it is a club for Performing Arts, so any kind performing arts are encouraged in this club. Besides, members of this club are engaged in event management activities as different cultural events often occur in this university which are mostly organized by ECPA. In this way, almost all the members of this club is capable of launching programs with the resources that they have.

ECPA began its journey during the later portion of the year 2009. But if we look on to the history, the foundation of ECPA was not built in a day. The objective of the club is to organize different events and to perform with creativity to uphold the image of East West University on cultural sector. It evolved from two of the strongest clubs which were known as East West University Shanghaikritik Shanghai (EWUSS) and East West University Poetry and Drama



Club (EPDC) which were active from the very beginning of East West University. EWUSS and EPDC, both the clubs organized numerous cultural programs on different occasions. EWUSS organized several cultural programs all over the years which included contemporary songs, band songs, dance and other activities. EWUSS organized Star Search programme every year when it was active. Besides that, EWUSS staged dramas like "Dial Ki Bole Shobbbhotel" by Michael Mathusudan Datta and many more. EPDC's speciality was drama and poetry. So, they staged several dramas under their production which included Gao Genamer Kichcha, Bongobakar Haate, Khyatir Bombora and some other creative productions. Poetry was also encouraged and performed in that club. Then, in the

2009, both the clubs EWUSS and EPDC merged and formed ECPA. ECPA's first programme was on 14th November, 2009. It was the 14th Foundation Day Celebration Program of East West University. For this purpose, ECPA was assigned to organize a big-budget cultural program which included contemporary songs, band songs, comedy jatra, short parody commercial plays and mixed choreographed dance performances. This program was successfully staged at the venue Bangabandhu International Conference Center's Hall of Fame. The entire cultural program required intense rehearsals and preparations which was possible because of the generous cooperation of the university authority.

After the successful evolution of ECPA, this reputed club was invited to organize the Freshers' Reception Program for the semester Spring 2010 on behalf of the Department of English of East West University in January. All the skilled singers and musicians of ECPA performed in this program along with the students and faculty members of the host department. Along with the musical and poetical performances, a short comedy play called Poribarur Peem was staged.

ECPA recently organised a musical event to welcome the newly admitted students of Summer-2014 of East West University (EWU). Certs and certificate were distributed to the former executive bodies of ECPA.

Like every year, East West University holds different cultural functions on different national days. On the international mother language day ECPA staged a cultural function where a Shalwar Kameez was built in respect to the language martyrs. Also club members performed with "Shohorol" the band who recently released their album based on theatrical rock. East West University Club for Performing Arts is always looking forward to creating a stage for a performer and welcomes any creative work that may help anyone to create base for professional sector. ■