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Akademi Award: Manipuri

Born in 1954 in Brahmapur Laipubam Leikai, Imphal, Shrimati Laipubam Bino Devi received her initial training in Manipuri dance under T. Amudon Sharma and M. Amubi Singh; in Natasankirtan under N. Jugindra Singh and Kh. Gulapi Singh; and Sutradhari-singing under Shrimati N. Kshetritombi Devi and Kh. Leipaktolpi Devi. Later, she obtained her Post Graduate Diploma in Ras and specialized in the art at Jawaharlal Nehru Manipur Dance Academy, Imphal.

Shrimati Bino Devi has excelled as a Sutradhari artist and performed extensively at major festivals within the country and abroad, participating with groups from the Jawaharlal Nehru Manipur Dance Academy and Manipuri Jagoi Marup. Some of her important presentations include performances at the Asian Youth Festival at Tokyo, Hong Kong, China and Thailand, the Festivals of India in France, Italy, U.S.A., Germany and Canada, and the Indian Independence Celebration in South Africa. She has also participated in seminars and workshops organized by the Manipur State Kala Academy, Imphal, and the Kalakshetra Foundation, Chennai.

She is the recipient of many honours and awards including the Thouranisabi Gold Medal (1989), conferred by the Manipur Sahitya Kala Parishad, and the Manipur State Kala Academy Award (1999).

Shrimati Bino Devi receives the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award for her contribution to Manipuri dance.