

## Activities 2021

Adagio's activities for the year 2021 officially began with an informal meeting that was conducted on the 6th of January, 2021 where the newly-admitted members introduced themselves and the question of how to take the society forward was discussed. Online rehearsals began on 14th January 2021. The rehearsals were held twice a week at convenient timings outside of college hours. An informal meeting was conducted on a fortnightly basis for team-bonding and feedback. Four online workshops were conducted in the month of March where Adagio alumni taught challenging new choreographies and shared their own experiences with the society.

Rehearsals continued to be held regularly in months between January and May. During the second Covid-19 wave, Adagio members had a strong shared sentiment to help those in need and this manifested itself in the form of the fundraiser- Bailando.

'Bailando- Dance for a Cause' was a three-day dance intensive from 31st May 2021 to 2nd June 2021. Adagio collaborated with the dance clothing brand, 'United Dance Clothing (UDC)' with the aim of raising funds for Covid relief. During the course of these three days, professionally trained dancers were invited to take workshops on different styles including Jazz, Contemporary, Choreography, Semi-classical and Yoga. Along with these workshops, there was a special mentoring session for all the young dancers who wish to make a career in the field of dancing. The workshops were open to everyone, including beginners. These workshops had a registration fee, and all the money that was collected was donated to two organizations- Light Up- Emotions Matter Foundation and Railway Children India. Both of these NGOs have been working actively towards providing Covid relief, especially in the context of orphaned children and marginalised communities.

Adagio promoted the event through social media, the team worked day and night and managed to reach a large population, even non-dancers contributed by donating money. The event was a huge success and received an overwhelmingly positive response. With that, Adagio managed to collect over 1 lakh rupees for the abovementioned organisations. All the participants received a 20% discount from Adagio's collaborator UDC, and one participant received one piece of free merchandise on the basis of best effort during all 6 workshops.

As of September 2021, offline rehearsals have started alongside the ongoing online rehearsals to work on technique in a more effective manner, in preparation of any forthcoming competitions. All necessary Covid precautions are being taken.

Overall, the society has been successful in adapting itself to the ever-changing situations presented by the pandemic and will continue to do so in the future.