

KERALA SCHOOL KALOLSAVAM



186

DATES

January

FREQUENCY

Annual

DURATION

8 Days



TIME



ABOUT THE FESTIVAL (Legend/History/Myth)

The School Kalolsavam is a spectacular annual event conducted by the Government of Kerala featuring several art competitions for high school and higher secondary school students of Kerala. The beginning of the festival can be traced back to 1956 when Dr. C.S. Venkiteswaran initiated the first school level arts fete at the SRV High School in Ernakulam. The festival has since then grown and undergone many transformations to being one of the most celebrated events in Kerala in recent times.



EVENTS/PROGRAMS

Mohiniyattom
Kuchipudi
Mimicri
Music Programs
Classical Dance
Kathakali
Kerala Natanam
Katha Prasangam etc

DESCRIPTION (How festival is celebrated)

The Kalolsavam starts with a grand inaugural ceremony followed by a cultural meeting. The festival presents an ensemble of various traditional and classic art performances, musicals, mimicry, mime, recitations, drama etc. These include *Bharatanatyam*, *Mohiniyattam*, *Kathakali*, *Yakshagana*, *NadodiNritham*, *Oppana*, *Thiruvathira*, *Kolkkali*, *Duffumuttu*, *Katha Prasangam* and *Chavittu Nadakam* of a few. All events are staged under the competition category and are representative of respective schools and districts. Grades are awarded for individual and group performances which add up to points for each district. The winning district is announced on the final day. Awards are also given away for individual performances.

