

The correct approach

The first step is to display complete trust and respect for the teacher's judgement. One must steer clear of getting impatient and trying to rush the learning process. Living in the 21st century, a period synonymous with the space age or cyber age, often makes people want to acquire or master skills at break-neck speed. Even those with natural talent need time to hone their skills and gain expression. A good teacher alone is qualified to decide how, when and what to teach, because artistic knowledge is not always tangible and quantitative.

It is also imperative to note that monetary investment alone cannot buy artistic skill or discernment. A time vs money approach or attempts to impose artistic decisions on the guru are hugely detrimental to the students, who will fail to imbibe essential intricacies that constitute good artistry. This is comparable to dictating treatment methods to a doctor just because one is paying the necessary fees.

The correct approach also includes

- Basic humility where the art is concerned
- A positive attitude