

RANJANI GAYATRI

In a domain often characterized as elitist, esoteric, and not easily accessible to the masses, this brilliant sister duo of Ranjani and Gayatri has found a way over the years to satisfy and stimulate the cognoscenti and at the same time delight and thrill the lay audience. To achieve the magnetic status of a rock star and be viable as serious and profound practitioners of the art form is not easy in the field of Carnatic music; but these sisters have done just that with great distinction and felicity.

Ranjani and Gayatri, sisters, are world-renowned musicians whose musical contributions include studio recordings, television, radio, concerts, festivals and lecture demonstrations. They have appeared as soloists, violin duos, accompanists, vocal duos, composers, educators and ambassadors of Indian Classical Music. As top class Carnatic classical musicians, Ranjani and Gayatri are conservators of their genre's unique beauty and preserve ancient tradition as they continue to innovate within it.

Ranjani and Gayatri's concerts take the listener into a world of color, beauty and transcendental bliss. Their music leaves a powerful impact on music aficionados and fans, inspiring many musicians to follow their style. They have performed in prestigious venues/festivals like The Kennedy Centre in Washington DC, Southbank Centre in London, Ravenna music festival in Italy, Cross Culture Festival in Warsaw, Poland, Bengal Music

Festival in Dhaka, Esplanade Theatre in Singapore and the iconic Gateway of India in Mumbai to name a few.

They learnt violin from Sri TS Krishnaswami Iyer and vocal music from Sri PS Narayanaswamy. Their parents Sri N Balasubramanian and Smt Meenakshi have constantly guided them in their musical journey.

Co-Artistes:

Charumathi Raghuraman, a precocious talent, has trained under doyens Sri T.N.Krishnan and Sri P.S.Narayanaswamy. Her violin playing is a powerful combination of rich sound, faultless aesthetics and abundant creativity. Besides giving solo concerts, she has played alongside many leading and legendary musicians all over the world. She is the recipient of many awards; some of the notable ones include the 'Kalki Krishnamurthy Memorial Award' for the year 2016 and 'Young Achiever award' from Rotary Club. Charu has traveled widely across India and abroad to perform in prestigious music festivals and institutions over the last 15 years.

Sri K. Sai Giridhar, an 'A' graded artist of All India radio for Mridangam is a disciple of Guru Sri M.L.N.Raju and Parupalli S.Phalgun. He has travelled extensively both within India and abroad and has performed at prestigious venues and famed theatres alongside legendary artistes. Sai Giridhar has also been a part of jugalbandhis and fusion bands with reputed classical and Hindustani musicians and has had his name featured in several CD and DVD productions. He is also the recipient of the prestigious Bismillah Khan 'Yuva puraskar' for the year 2017, awarded by the Sangeet Natak Akademi.