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Mridangam artiste

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Lineage

R.SANKARANARAYANAN hails from a traditional music family of the legendary Sangeetha Kalanidhi Brahmashri Papanasam Sivan. His father, Papanasam Sri R. Ramani Bhagavathar is one of the direct disciples of Sri Sivan and an eminent Nama Sankeerthanam exponent.

Tutelage

He started learning Mridangam from Vidwan Papanasam Sri Kumar and now he is under the able guidance of Mridangam Legend "Sangeet Natak Akademi Awardee" "Kalaimamani" **Vidwan Srimushnam Shri V.Rajaroo** to learn the nuances and intricacies.

At the age of 9, he started performing for carnatic music concerts. From then on, he has performed all over India accompanying various senior artistes like

- Chevalier Padma Vibhushan Dr. M. BalamuraliKrishna,
- Sangeetha Kalanidhi Shri.T.K. Govinda Rao,
- Padma Bhushan Sangeetha Kala Acharya Shri. P. S. Narayanaswami,
- Flute Maestro Padma Shri Dr. N. Ramani,
- Padma Bhushan Sangeetha Kalanidhi Shri. T. N. Seshagopalan,
- Padma Bhushan Sangeetha Kalanidhi Shri. T. V. SankaraNarayanan,
- Sangeetha Sreshta Shri. T. V. Gopalakrishnan,
- Sangeetha Kalanidhi Clarinet Maestro Shri. A. K. C. Natarajan,

- Sangeetha Kalanidhis Sikkil Sisters,
- Sangeetha Kalanidhis Bombay Sisters,
- Sangeetha Mani Sethalapathy Sri. Balasubramaniam,
- Sangeetha Acharya Smt. Suguna Purushothaman,
- Sangeetha Acharya Smt. Suguna Varadachari,
- Sangeetha Choodamani Smt. Aruna Sairam,
- Kalaimamani A. Kanyakumari,
- Violin Maestros Kalaimamanis Shri. Ganesh & Shri. Kumaresh,
- Isai Peroli Neyveli Shri Santhanagopalan,
- Chitraveena Maestro Sangeetha Choodamani Shri N. Ravikiran,
- Kalaimamani Shri Sanjay Subrahmanyam,
- Sangeetha Kala Bharathi Shri T.M.Krishna,
- Veena Exponent Kalaimamani Dr. Jayanthi Kumaresh etc.

He has accompanied eminent artistes in Australia, Singapore, France, Switzerland, Luxembourg, Dubai and United Kingdom. He has also performed with Scottish Jazz musicians AAB Trio in the Alchemy festival 2013 in London.

He is an 'A' graded artiste of All India Radio, Chennai. Sankaranarayanan has a few Cd / Cassette recordings to his credit.

Awards & Accolades

- Received "Best Concert Award" in the Sub-Senior category from Music Academy in the year 2012.
- Conferred title "Asthana Vidwan" by Kanchi Sri Madam H.H. Jayendara Saraswathi Swamigal in 2012.
- Received "Best Concert Award" in the Sub-Senior category from Music Academy in the year 2010.
- Awarded "Smt.Narayani Ammal Endowment Prize along with Gold Medal and a Citation" from Raja Annamalaipuram Bhaktha Jana Sabha, Mandaveli, Chennai in the year 2010.
- Awarded "MRIDANGAM MAESTRO UMayALPURAM Shri K.SIVARAMAN'S Endowment Award" from The Indian Fine Arts Society in the year 2007-2008.
- Awarded "YUVA KALA BHARATHI" from Bharat Kalachar in the year 2007.
- Awarded "Best Performer" from Sri Parthasarathy Swamy Sabha in the year 2004-2005
- "Awarded for Excellence in Mridangam" award with a Gold medal and Mridangam Prize from SAFE (Shanthi Arts foundation & Endowment) Mylapore, Chennai in the year 2002.
- Awarded "Best Young Mridangam artiste" from Narada Gana Sabha in the year 2003-2004.
- Awarded "Best Mridangam artiste accompanying concerts" and "SHRI.GOPINATHAN Endowment award" from Music Academy in the year 2000-2001 & 2002-2003.
- Got 1st prize in National level music competition of All India Radio in the year 2000 and awarded direct B grade.
- Awarded "Best Junior Mridangam artiste" with Mridangam Prize from Sri Krishna Gana Sabha in the year 2000.
- Got "Best Junior Mridangam artiste" award from Mylapore Fine Arts in the year 1999.

- Awarded Best Junior Mridangam in Hari Dharmarajan Endowment from Narada Gana Sabha in the year 1996.
- He was conferred the title “Mridanga Naadhamani” from H.H. Sri Jayendra Saraswathi Swamigal of Kanchi Mutt in the year 1996.
- Best Junior Mridangam Artiste from Prayojana Trust, Nanganallur in the year 1995.
- Best Mridangam player for juniors in the Music competition- 1995,Sri Krishna Gana Sabha, Chennai.
- Secured FIRST PLACE from All India Inter School Classical Instruments Competition 1994

Education

Sankaranarayanan has done M.A., M.Phil., with his M.Phil dissertation topic being “ Depiction of Mridangam in Sanskrit literature”.