



BIO-DATA OF

S.R. RAJASREE, VIOLINIST

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TRAINING

Born on 4th April 1973. Hailing from a family of traditional musicians, S.R.Rajasree started learning violin and vocal music at a tender age of eight years under the able guidance of her father famous violinist Prof. M. Subramania Sarma.

S.R.Rajasree gave her first violin duet performance at the age of eleven along with her brother S.R.Mahadevasarma. S.R.Rajasree is a post diploma holder in violin.

She is a 'Top' grade Violinist of All India Radio, Trivandrum.

She has been performing violin in the field of carnatic music from the year 1984. Her mother Smt.K.Renuka is a music lover. Her husband Sri.V.Ganesh is a music lover and encouraging S.R.Rajasree in her musical career. Her son G.R.Vaidyanatha Sarma is a upcoming Carnatic Classical Violinist. In 2015, she and her brother S.R.Mahadevasarma became the first violin duet artiste in the history of Trivandrum Navarathri Mandapam.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Composer

She has composed many Keerthana, Varnam, Thillana in Sanskrit.

CHARITABLE PROGRAMMES

As a teacher she has been giving training to many scheduled caste and other backward castes students without tuition fee and she has performed plenty of violin concerts along with her disciples in various parts of the country for charitable purpose. More than thirty students are learning violin and vocal under the able tutelage of S.R.Rajasree.

SPECIALITY OF PERFORMANCE

S.R.Rajasree's performance is marked by Excellent command over the Instrument, Excellent Gamakas, deep Classical Values, Melody, Finger Techniques and Bowing Techniques. She is giving importance to gamakaprayogas. She observes the Indian style of bowing technique where she is using the thaanavillu style of playing [where the bow makes intermittent cuts in varnams, ragas, keerthans, niraval and swara playing] the gamakas add lustre and charm to the playing.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- ❖ S.R.Rajasree has performed violin trio & duet concerts along with her father and brother. She is the first female violinist from kerala state who performed successful violin duet Concert tour to United States of America in the year 2005 along with her brother S.R.Mahadeva Sarma.
 - ❖ She became the first woman violinist to play violin at Trivandrum Navarathrimandapam in the year 2006, a Cultural Heritage housed inside the Sri Padmanabhaswamy temple complex
- ### REASERCH AND PUBLICATIONS
- ❖ She has written and published carnatic classical keerthana book titled 'Live in Music' and a book on description about Ragas titled RAGALAKSHANA SAGARAM . It is an useful book for students and music lovers. She is making musicarticle in Vipradhwani Magazine of Kerala Brahmana Sabha.
 - ❖ Sangeetha Audio Cassette Company Chennai has released CD and Audio cassette of her violin duet concert in 1994. [Sunadhasurabhi]
 - ❖ giri Trading Company Chennai has released her violin trio concert and youtube release of her violin duet in the year 2014. [Ganasudhakaram]
 - ❖ She has done reserch work and popularised Naarada Pancharathnam, Thiruvotriyoor Pancharathnam, Kovoor Pancharathnam & Sreerangam Pancharathnam in Kerala. This work has gained good appreciation from the public.
 - ❖ She has also associated with her brother S.R.Mahadeva Sarma to popularise the rare Vinayaka compositions of Muthuswami Deekshithar (thirteen krithies) and the rare Vinayaka Compositions of Harikesanellore Muthayya Bhagavather (seven krithies). This work has also gained good appreciation from the public.

ARCHIVAL CD RELEASE OF ALL INDIA RADIO

All India Radio has released a violin duet archival recording audio CD of her father Prof.M.Subramaniasarma in which she has performed violin duet concert with her father Prof.M.Subramaniasarma.

AWARDS

- ❖ She has been honoured with 'Kalaasri' award by Kerala Sangeetha Nataka Academy [2015]
- ❖ M.S.Subbulakshmy Puraskar from Trivandrum Varkala M.S. Subbulakshmy Foundation in the year 2022.
- ❖ Maharajapuram Santhanam Memorial Meritorious Award from Maharajapuram Santhanam Trust Chennai, on 16th March 2024.
- ❖ 'Outstanding Violin Duo' from New Jercey, U.S.A. In September 2005
- ❖ Saraswathi award from new york, U.S.A. In september 2005
- ❖ Best Sub-Senior Violinist Award from Indian Fine Arts Society Chennai on 4th January 2004.
- ❖ "Madura Gana Sudha Award", from Madurai in November 2002

She has been performing in the field of Carnatic Music from 1984. She has violin duet Cassettes & CD to her credit.

VIOLIN ACCOMPANIMENT

S.R.Rajasree has accompanied on the violin with many artistes like,

- ❖ Padmavibhooshan Dr.K.J.Yesudas
 - ❖ Bombay Sisters
 - ❖ Neyveli Santhanagopalan
 - ❖ Smt. M.S.Sheela
 - ❖ Smt.Nagamoni Srinath
 - ❖ Hyderabad Sisters
 - ❖ Padmabhooshan P.Leela
 - ❖ Smt. Vijayalekshmy Subramoniam
 - ❖ Flute Mala Chandrasekher
- and many other leading musicians of carnatic music field.

Many mridangam maestros have accompanied on the mridangam for her violin duet concerts to name a few:

- ❖ Padmavibhooshan Dr.Umayalpuram Sivaraman
- ❖ Padmasri T.K.Murthy
- ❖ Kamalakar Rao

Name of the prestigious organization in which she performed violin concert follows,

- ❖ Kaaladi Sankarapeetam, Kaalady, Kerala State
- ❖ Madras Music Academy, Chennai, Tamilnadu
- ❖ Shanmukhananda Sabha, Mumbai, Maharashtra
- ❖ Navarathri Mandapam, Trivandrum
- ❖ Sri Swathi Thirunal Sangeetha Sabha, Trivandrum
- ❖ Malleswaram Sangeetha Sabha, Bengaluru
- ❖ NASA Sree Padmanabha Swamy Temple, USA
- ❖ New York Chinmaya Mission, USA

