

You are cordially invited to a Grand Vocal recital
by the Legend and the Doyen of Carnatic music
Sangeetha Kalanidhi Dr .R.K.Srikantan
& **Sangeetha Kala Praveena R.S.Ramakanth**



Dr. K.V.S. Vinay (Violin)

Dr. Suresh Ramachandran (Mridangam)

Saturday, April 23, 2005 at 4.00 PM

At "Bandhavya" the residence of **Mrs. Veena Mohan & Mr. Mohan Cadaba**

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Suggested donation: \$10 minimum

Sangeetha Kalanidhi Dr R. K. Srikantan hails from a distinguished traditional family of musicians in Rudrapatnam in Karnataka and belongs to a rare breed of Carnatic musicians who strive and achieve perfection within the bounds of tradition or sampradaayam. His father late Sri Krishnasastry was a great scholar, a versatile artist and a Harikatha vidwan. His grandfather Sri Narayanappa of Bettadapura was also a great musician and a close friend of Sri Veena Seshanna of Mysore. Sri Srikantan was initiated in to music by his father and later by his brother Sri R.K.Venkataramasastry - a leading violinist. It is notable that Sri Srikantan belongs to the lineage of shishya parampara of Sathguru Thyagaraja himself. Sri. Srikantan's disciples of prominence include Sri Rudrapatnam Ramakanth, Smt M.S.Sheela, Smt T.S.Sathyavathi and others. Sri Srikantan has also been a recipient of many awards and titles including the prestigious *Sangeetha Kalanidhi*

Sangeetha Kala Praveena R. S. Ramakanth is a child prodigy with training from his father R.K. Srikantan and uncle R K Venkatarama Sastri. He is provided with rich flexible voice, profound imagination and traditional style of singing and has performed in India, UK, Switzerland, Australia and many other countries He has been recently selected by International Biographical Center of UK and American Biographical Society for inclusion in the international Who's (International Youth achievement). He was honored in the International Year of Youth (1985) by the confederation of 3 music institutions Saraswati Ganasabha, Sruti Soundarya and Sripuram Cultural Association and was given the title Sangeetha Kala Praveena. He has also won the Best Musician Award by Bangalore Gayana Samaja in 1975 and by Music Academy in 1993

Dr. K.V.S. Vinay hails from a musical family. He is the grandson of Sangeetha Kalanidhi late Sri T.K. Jayarama Iyer, violinist and composer. Vinay had his initial training from Mrs. Vanaja Aravamuthan and subsequently trained under late Sri V. Janakiraman and Sri Kovai B. Dakshinamurthy of All India Radio, Chennai. A concert performer for 20 years, Vinay has had the privilege of accompanying several leading musicians and also performing as a successful solo artiste. He has featured on national radio and TV in India and has won many awards including an Indian government scholarship for training in music. He has a Ph.D.degree in economics and works for a leading financial services company.

Dr. Ramachandran Suresh is a disciple of Thiruvaiyaru V. Gurumurthy, a student of the mridhangam maestro Palani Anna. As a graded artist of the All India Radio, he has been featured in many radio, television and music sabha programs in India. Ramachandran has had the privilege of performing with many leading musicians including T.N.Seshagopalan, Ravi Kiran, Prof.T.R.Subramaniam and Tanjore Kalyanaraman. He holds a Ph.D.degree in Mathematical Sciences and is currently working for the R&D division of a pharmaceutical company

Directions: From Garden State Parkway Take Exit 131 and make a right on to 27 South. Make right at Wood Ave (BP/Amoco gas station on right). Go past Oak Tree Rd signal light and continue on Wood Ave. At the next signal light make a left on new Dover Rd. Make 2nd left on Darwin Blvd after Methodist church. First house on the right is 571 Darwin Blvd

From 287: going South - Take exit 3 towards new Durham Ave (Red Roof inn on the right). Make right on to New Durham Ave. At first light make right on to Talmadge road and go all the way until it meets Plainfield Ave and make a left at the T-junction. Go past Oak Tree Rd and continue as it becomes New Dover Rd Go past Grove Ave lights and continue for about a mile and make a right on Darwin blvd, before Methodist church. First house on the right is 571 Darwin Blvd.

Parking instructions. Park anywhere on the street

Dinner will be served after the concert