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The India Music and Dance Society

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Presents

THYAGARAJA ARADHANA

at the Hindu Temple,
25 East Taunton Avenue, Berlin, NJ
on Saturday, March 3, 2001



PROGRAM

8:30 a.m.

Group singing

Utsava Sampradaya Kirtanas

Pancharatna Kritis

Individual participation (children)

Individual participation (adults)

2:00 p.m.

Vocal concert by
accompanied by
and

N. Aravindan

Sandhya Srinath (violin)

Sampath Venkatvardhan (mridangam)

5:00 p.m.

Individual Participation

7:30 p.m.

Mangalam

A donation of \$7 per person or \$15 per family is appreciated. If you are interested in bringing food, please call P.Narayanan (pauln@mcr2000.com) at (610) 526-0615.

To register for individual participation use online form at www.sruti.org or call

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Artist Profiles

Sruti provides its members an opportunity to showcase their talents at the Thyagaraja Aradhana. A wide range of amateur artists will perform at this day-long celebration of the life and works of Saint Thyagaraja. We are also featuring the concert of N. Aravindan accompanied by Sandhya Srinath on the violin and Sampath Venkatvardhan on the mridangam.

Sri. N. Aravindan to present the afternoon concert. Sri. Aravindan works in the US as a software consultant. He has had his initial training in vocal music under Madurai Vaidyanatha Iyer followed by training under Neyveli Santhanagopalan. He continued advanced lessons under Shri T R Subrahmaniam (father of SRUTI's Vice President S. Rajagopal) and Dr Radha Venkatachalam. He has performed in various sabhas in Delhi and Madras.

Sandhya Srinath is a disciple of late Shri V. Janakiraman of Delhi and had advanced training under Shri T. N. Krishnan and Shri Lalgudi G. Jayaraman. She is a gold medallist in the M.A (violin) as well as an M.Phil (violin) from the University of Delhi. She is an A grade artist in violin at All India Radio and Doordarshan, Delhi. She won top prizes from prestigious organizations like the Madras Music Academy, Narada Gana Sabha, and Sri Krishna Gana Sabha. She has accompanied senior artists including Dr. M. Balamuralikrishna, Dr. N. Ramani, T.V. Gopalakrishnan, Ravikiran, Unnikrishnan, Nityashree, and Sowmya.

Sampath Venkatvardhan is a student of Kumbakonam Rajappa Iyer and has been playing Mridangam for fifteen years. He has accompanied many artists, both young and old, in his musical career. He conceptualized and orchestrated Talavadya performances. He writes for Indian Express on music related subjects.

Directions to the Hindu Temple, 25 East Taunton Avenue, Berlin, NJ

- A. Tacony Bridge: 1) NJ Route 73 South to Berlin Circle (17 miles), 2) Stay on Route 73 to next traffic light and turn right on E. Taunton Ave.
- B. Ben Franklin Bridge: 1) Route 30 East to NJ Route 70 East to Marlton circle (11 miles), 2) Turn right on NJ Route 73 South. Go to Berlin circle and follow A2.
- C. Walt Whitman Bridge: 1) I-295 North, 2) Exit 34A for Route 70 East to Marlton circle, 3) Follow B2.
- D. Delaware Memorial Bridge: 1) I-295 North, 2) Follow C2, B2.
- E. Central and North Jersey & NY: 1) NJ Turnpike South, 2) Exit 4 for Route 73 South. Go to Berlin circle and follow A2.
- F. Atlantic City: 1) Atlantic City Expressway, 2) NJ Route 73 North (Blue Anchor, High Speed line sign), 3) Pass Route 30. Go about 1 mile and turn left on E. Taunton Ave., 4) If missed, go to Berlin circle and follow A2.

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