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The India Music and Dance Society

1436 Joel Drive, Ambler, PA 19002

Presents

Carnatic Vocal Concert

by

T. M. KRISHNA

Accompanied by

B.U. Ganesh Prasad (Violin), J. Vaidhyanathan (Mridangam)



Saturday, November 2, 2002

6:30 PM

Julia Ball Auditorium
Gwynedd-Mercy College
1325 Sumneytown Pike, Gwynedd, PA
(See reverse for directions)

Tickets: Members: \$12, Non-members: \$15, Students with ID: \$10, Under 16: free.

For Tickets and Information, please call

Viji Swaminathan (215-643-2145)
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Artist Profiles

T.M.Krishna is one of the leading artists in the field of carnatic music (Indian classical music-south Indian style) today. Born in 1976 in a family of music connoisseurs, he was exposed to classical art at an early age, and learnt carnatic classical music under the tutelage of Vidwan Sri Seetharama Sharma at the tender age of 6. He has been learning from him for the past 18 years. He has also undergone special Pallavi training under Sri Chengalpet Ranganthan. He continues to learn from Vidwan Sri Seetharama Sharma and Dr Semmengudi Srinivasier.

T M Krishna has been performing since the age of 12, starting with his concert at the Spirit of youth series organized by the Music Academy, Chennai and has performed widely in India and abroad. He has received many awards and titles including Best main performer- Youth Association for Classical Music- 1989, Music Academy –1994, 1995, Best junior vocalist –Krishna Gana Sabha-1995 , Musician of the year – Narada Gana Sabha-1995 , Ariyakudi Ramanuja Iyengar award - Music Academy- 1996, Title ‘yuva Kala Bharathi’- Bharath Kalachar – 1997, Best senior performing artist – Music Academy - 2001 , Youth Award for Excellence – Maharajapuram Vishvanatha Iyer Trust – 2001, etc

T M Krishna has co-authored the first ever carnatic music appreciation album Titled ‘Learning to Appreciate Carnatic Music’, released by HMV in December 1999 to celebrate the new millennium. He has also co-authored a book (a publication of the Music Academy, Chennai) on Prof. Sambamoorthy, an Indian musicologist of great international repute to commemorate his birth centenary.

B. U. Ganesh Prasad had his initial training under G. Nataraj of Bangalore and S. Shankar, a famous vocalist who helped shape his style. He acquired perfect violin technique under the tutelage of maestro V.V. Subramanyam. Ganesh has accompanied veteran musicians and also Shashank in concerts in India and Europe. He has toured Australia giving violin recitals. He is a recipient of many youth awards for music and is a graded artist of radio and television.

J. Vaidhyathan is a highly sought after mridangist of today. He hails from a family of leading musicians. He is the son of Sangeetha Kalanidhi D. K. Jayaraman and the nephew of Padma Bhushan D. K. Pattammal. He received advanced training from *Sangeetha Kalanidhi* T. K. Murthy. He has accompanied great musicians such as M. S. Subbulakshmi, D. K. Pattammal, M. L. Vasanthakumari, D. K. Jayaraman, S. Ramanathan, K. V. Narayanaswamy, B. Rajam Iyer, T. N. Krishnan and M. S. Gopalakrishnan.

Directions to Julia Ball Auditorium, Gwynedd-Mercy College

1325 Sumneytown Pike, Gwynedd Valley, PA 19437

From the Schuylkill Expressway:

From the Schuylkill Expressway follow 476 North to signs for Pennsylvania Turnpike. Follow turnpike East to New Jersey. Exit 26 Ambler/Fort Washington. Follow signs for Route 309 North, exit at Spring House/Norristown Road. Turn LEFT at light onto Norristown Road. Drive 2 miles straight ahead to the college on the right*

From the Pennsylvania Turnpike:

Take PA Turnpike to Exit 26 (Fort Washington.) Follow signs for Route 309 North. Follow directions below.

From Route 309 North:

Exit at Springhouse, Norristown Road. Turn LEFT at light onto Norristown Road. Drive 2 miles straight ahead to college on the right*.

From Route 309 South:

Follow 309 South into Montgomeryville (approx. 45 min./1 hr. from Bethlehem.) Take Right onto 202 South. (Montgomery Mall on your right and TGI Friday's on your right corner and Kinko's will be on your left.) Follow 202 South to the 5th traffic light and turn LEFT onto Summneytown Pike (William Penn Inn on your right.) Gwynedd-Mercy will be on your left (about a 1 mile).

From Rt. 202 North:

From 202 N make a right at the William Penn Inn onto Summneytown Pike and at the 2nd Traffic Light make a left into Gwynedd Mercy college.

From Route 9 Northeast Extention:

Follow turnpike East to exit 26, Ambler/Fort Washington.

Follow signs for 309 North, exit at Spring House/Norristown Road. Turn LEFT at light onto Norristown Road. Drive 2 miles straight ahead to college on the right.

* Don't be concerned about the name change: Norristown Road becomes Summneytown Pike after crossing over Bethlehem Pike at the Spring House intersection.