

Pallavi

Saturday, May 5th 2018

At

The Albany Hindu Temple,
Albany Shaker Road,
Loudonville, NY 12211

Pallavi of the Capital District
and
The Hindu Temple Society, Albany

Cordially invite you to our

22nd Thyagaraja Aradhana celebrations

Aradhana program: 9.30 am to 1.30 pm : Free admission

- 9.30 am to 11.15 am – Goshti gayanam of Sampradaya Thyagaraja kritis and Pancharatna kritis
- 11.30 am onwards - Individual presentations
 - Registration link - <https://goo.gl/forms/hWhOFbg4ZIUYlYr32>
 - 10\$ participation fee for non-members (Pallavi, PYO and Hindu temple members can participate for free)

6.00 pm onwards

- **Carnatic Vocal Concert**
 - Vid. Ramakrishnan Murthy - vocal
 - Vidushi Charumathi Raghuraman - violin
 - Vid. Manoj Siva – mridangam
- **PYO competition prize distribution**

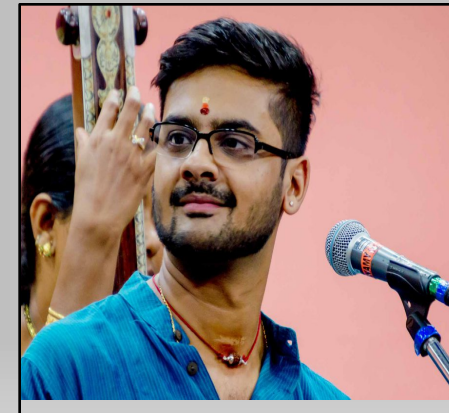
Concert tickets: Individual: \$10; Family: \$25;

Pallavi and PYO members: free.

You could purchase the ticket/s at the venue either through cash or check(“Pallavi” memo: aradhanaconcert 2018) at the time of concert.



Charumathi Raghuraman



Ramakrishnan Murthy



Manoj Siva

Ramakrishnan Murthy – Vocal

Ramakrishnan Murthy, hailed as one of the most talented Karnatik vocalists of his generation, is known for his unswerving loyalty to tradition, wise sense of aesthetics, and sincerity in presentation. Ramakrishnan's musical journey which started off at Irvine, California at the age of 7 as his mother's endeavor to retain Indian cultural connections resulted in discovering his life's purpose – Karnatik Music. Starting under Smt. Padma Kutty as his first Guru whose disciplined training added to Ramakrishnan's musical interest, advanced training from veteran violinist Delhi Shri. P Sunder Rajan inspired him to delve deeper into Carnatic nuances. In Chennai, under the tutelage of Sri R. K. Shriramkumar, Ramakrishnan blossomed as a versatile musician and a performing artist.

Ramakrishnan is an A grade artist in All India Radio and Doordarshan, a regular performer in the music circuit in Chennai and across India, has performed widely in several international festivals in North America, the United Kingdom, Singapore, Australia, New Zealand, and the Middle East. He was awarded the Outstanding Vocalist for four consecutive years from the Madras Music Academy and the Best Senior Vocalist in 2016.

For Ramakrishnan, Karnatik music is the way he expresses himself. He believes his responsibility as an artiste is to elevate the listeners experience while being true to the art form.

Charumathi Raghuraman - Violin

A precocious talent, Charumathi started learning first from her mother Smt. Rama Raghuraman, then continued formalized training with the Guru Smt. T.R. Balamani in Mumbai, and soon thereafter became an ardent disciple of Padma Bhushan Prof. T. N. Krishnan. She also studies Carnatic vocal music with the renowned teacher Padma Bhushan Sri. P. S. Narayanaswami. She played her debut concert along side Prof. T. N. Krishnan in 1998 and since then has been performing regularly both as a soloist and accompanist. She has been awarded the CCR&T, Govt. of India scholarship from the age of ten. She is the recipient of many awards - notable ones include the 'Kalki Krishnamurthy Memorial Award', 'Ramabhadran Centenary Award', 'Young Achiever award' from Rotary Club, 'Outstanding Young Violinist' award from The Music Academy (Madras) and 'Best Violinist' awards from various institutions. She is an 'A grade' artist of the All India Radio and Doordarshan. Charu has traveled widely across India and abroad to perform in prestigious music festivals and institutions over the last 15 years. The Woodford Folk Festival of Australia, collaborative concert with the Sacramento Philharmonic Orchestra at USA and Mandolin Shrinivas Memorial Concert at London are few of her noteworthy achievements outside of India.

Manoj Siva Narayana Siva (Manoj Siva) - Mridangam

Manoj Siva began his training in Mridangam under Kumbakonam Shri.Rajappa Iyer and Srirangarajapuram Jayaraman in the year 1978 and later on came under the tutelage of Sangitha Kalanidhi Palghat R.Raghu. He is a "Top Rank Grade" artiste of All India Radio Chennai and has been in the musical and concert circuit for more than 20 years. Known for his soft and accommodative style, he has accompanied stalwarts like Shri.D.K.Jayaraman, Shri.K.V.Narayanaswamy, Smt.D.K.Pattamal, Smt.T.Muktha, Shri.R.K.Srikantan, Shri.P.S.Narayanaswamy, Sri N.Ramani, Smt.R.Vedavalli, Shri.T.N.Seshagopalan, Shri.T.V.Sankaranarayanan. He has won several awards and accolades – notable ones being "Yuva Kala Bharathi", "Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar Award", "Nathan memorial award" and the title of 'Mrudangam Mani' by the kanchi mutt. Manoj Siva has traveled widely on concert tours to countries U.S.A, Canada, London, Germany, Malaysia, Australia, Sri Lanka, Dubai, Netherlands and Belgium. Manoj has regaled audiences all over the world.