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A Carnatic Vocal Concert

by

Ganakalashree M. S. Sheela



accompanied by

Sandhya Srinath on Violin

Anoor Anantha Krishna Sharma on Mridangam

Saturday, May 10, 2008 at 3:00 PM

at **Calvary Vision Center**

550 E. Township Line Rd., Suite 200, Blue Bell, PA 19422

Tickets: Members \$17, Non-members \$22, Seniors and Students \$12

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About the Artistes

M S SHEELA is an outstanding Indian Classical Vocalist and is a TOP RANK artist of AIR and Doordarshan (TV) . Sheela is a Post graduate in Music from Bangalore University and is a Gold Medalist.

Madras Music Academy, during 1997, adjudged Sheela as an "Outstanding Senior Female Vocalist", Karnataka state has honored Sheela by giving " Rajyotsava Award ", Karnataka State Film Chambers has given an award to Sheela as, " Best Female Play Back Singer " for the year 97-98. During the Annual Music festival of Karnataka Ganakala Parishat for the year 2000, Sheela has been adjudged as best Musician of the Conference and has been awarded " Ananya Puraskar ", an Award Instituted by A N A N Y A G M L Cultural Academy Bangalore. Sheela is declared as "ASTHANA VIDUSHI" of Sri Jagadguru Shankaracharya Mahasamsthanam Dakshinamnaya Sri Sharada Peetham, SRINGERI.

Sheela has been honored and given titles by various Sabhas as, Ganakala Shree , Sumadhura Sangeetha Dhruvatare, Guru Gaurava Karini, Sangeetha Raga Amrithavarshini , Sangeetha Gana Kalanidhi , Sangeetha Sahyadri Shikarini etc.

Sandhya Srinath got her initial training from Mr. V. Janakiraman of AIR, Delhi. She started early training from the age of 10. She went on to get advanced lessons from Lalgudi G Jayaraman and Prof. T.N. Krishnan. She has performed extensively all over India and has accompanied many senior musicians including Dr. N.Ramani, RaviKiran, Sowmya, Sanjay Subramanian, Unnikrishnan, Hyderabad Brothers, etc. She has also performed during the December Season festival in Madras for the past 6 years. She recently played in the Cleveland Festival, 1997. She moved into the Washington area in 1996. She is an "A-grade" artist of All India Radio and the Doordarshan, India. She received the outstanding young violinist Award from the Madras Music Academy in 1999.

Anoor Anantha Krishna Sharma (Shivu) as he is popularly known, was born in Bangalore, to a family of musicians. He is considered as an eminent percussionist (mridangam) in the whole of India. His father late Vidwan Anoor S. Ramakrishna was a well-known violinist, and an eminent teacher too in the Dept. of Music of Bangalore University. He was initiated in Mridangam by vidwan R. A. Rajagopal, who is a highly accomplished Mridangam / Ghatam artist and a senior staff of All India Radio, Bangalore.

Anantha Krishna Sharma besides being a Mridangam artist also can play other percussion instruments like Tabla, Thavil and others with the same felicity and with ease. He has composed music for Ballet Dance and Films. His compositions have been regarded as highly imaginative and they encompass an amazing complexity and intricacy of rhythm blended in the musical notes.

Starting at the age of 15, Shivu performed in all the leading Sangeetha Sabhas in Bangalore, Chennai and all over India.

Directions to Calvary Vision Center, 550 East Township Line Rd., Blue Bell, PA.

FROM PHILADELPHIA AND SOUTH:

Take Rt 76 West out of Philadelphia (11mi)
Take Exit 331B-Plymouth Meeting-Merge onto 476 N (4mi)
Bear right at the toll booth
Take ramp onto Exit 20 – Germantown Pike West
Follow Germantown Pike West (1mi)
Turn RIGHT onto Walton Rd
Turn LEFT onto Township Line Rd at the 2nd traffic light
Make the first LEFT into Calvary Vision Center
Entrance at Suite 200 - the glass wall around the back of the building

FROM PA TURNPIKE – EAST or WEST:

Take Exit 333 toward Norristown
Turn slight left at the ramp toward Norristown
Take the Plymouth Rd ramp
Turn LEFT onto Plymouth Rd
Turn RIGHT onto Germantown Pike West
Follow Germantown Pike West (1mi)
Turn RIGHT onto Walton Rd
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FROM RT 476 S:

Merge onto I-276 West at Exit 20 toward Norristown
Take Exit 333 toward Norristown
Turn slight left at the ramp toward Norristown
Take the Plymouth Rd ramp
Turn LEFT onto Plymouth Rd
Turn RIGHT onto Germantown Pike West
Follow Germantown Pike West (1mi)
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FROM RT 309:

Take SKIPPACK PIKE/RT 73 Exit
Follow Rt 73 West (Pass Shady Grove School on right)
Turn LEFT onto Walton Rd (3-way traffic light)
Continue Straight through stop sign
Turn RIGHT onto Township Line Rd
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