

SHANMUKHA SANGEETHA SHIROMANI AWARD



Music is a representation of divine beauty. It is the harmonious voice of creation positioned between the regions of the mind and of matter, a mediator between the spiritual and sensual life. It is a universal language of emotions and a vehicle of human feelings, answering to various moods of the mind. Indian music has a very long unbroken tradition and is an accumulated heritage of centuries.

Shanmukhananda Sabha was founded in 1952 to preserve, promote, propagate and popularise the rich traditional culture of our nation in the field of Performing Arts.

For over five decades, the Shanmukhananda Fine Arts & Sangeetha Sabha has held the center stage in the country for promotion of Music in its widest import. The Institution is a part of the living history; a monument to cultural synthesis, one singular object in its multi-faceted dimensions and secular nature epitomizes the nation itself. The Shanmukhananda Sabha is a living tradition.

In Fine Arts, we have the closest approach to universality. It brings peace which passeth understanding. Its immortal spirit ministers to human need for sweetness and light. Sri Shanmukhananda National Eminence Award provides an institutional framework for honouring legendary and lifetime contributions in the field of Fine Arts.

Shri K. Bharathi Sundar started learning carnatic music at the age of 6 with Smt. Gayathri Mahesh. He had training for more than 10 years under Vidushi Smt. Leelavathi Gopalakrishnan and Vidwan Sri G. Srikanth. Further he had special training in Pallavi from Vidwan Trichy Sri J. Venkatraman and Vidwan Srimushanam Sri V. Rajarao. Presently he is under the tutelage of Vidwan Shri P.S. Narayanaswamy.

He is recipient of several prizes & awards, to mention a few, "ISAI CHUDAR" by Karthik Fine Arts in 2010, "BRU CARNATIC MUSIC IDOL 2010 by JAYA TV, YUVAKALA BARATHI" by Bharat Kalachar in 2009, "BALAKALARATNA" by Balakalasagaram Trust in 2008, "YUVA KALA VIPANCHEE", by Vipanchi Institution, Chennai in 2007 and "Bala Bhaskara" VDS arts Academy in the year 2005. He is also a recipient of CCRT Scholarship. He has given several performances all over the country and abroad. He has also performed at Cleveland Thyagaraja Aradhana as Carnatic Music Idol 2010.

The Shanmukhananda Sabha is privileged to honour **Shri K. Bharathi Sundar** with **Shanmukha Sangeetha Shiromani Award**.

Given on Wednesday, the 19th day of January 2011 at Mumbai


President