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"Ekam Sat: Divinity's various names"

By

Dr Padma Sugavanam

On May 1, 2016 (Sunday) at 4:00 pm

At

Sri Lakshmi Temple

All are Welcome !!!



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Dr. Padma Sugavanam is an A-Graded (All India Radio) carnatic vocalist, belonging to the Semmangudi school, and trained under Guru Smt. Seetha Rajan for more than twenty years. She is an academic and researcher holding a Ph.D. in Sanskrit and musicology. Padma has worked as a lecturer of vocal music in the Sri Venkateswara college of Music and Dance (under TTD), Tirupati, for ten years.

Born in Ottawa (Canada), Padma showed tremendous musical talent as a child. Noticing her talents, her parents moved back to Chennai for her to pursue intensive training in the Gurukula system. Developing her talents from a young age, Padma won several of the most prestigious competitions. Her fluency and

comprehension of Sanskrit, Tamizh and Telugu, add another dimension to her overall musicmanship.

Padma perform in most of the top and prestigious sabhas of Carnatic music in India besides her several international tours. She will be performing in Dayton-Cincinnati as part of her tour of 16 cities of the US, in Spring 2016.

K.V.S. Vinay comes from a family of muscians and music lovers. He is the grandson of Sangeetha Kalanidhi late Sri T.K. Jayarama Iyer, eminent violinist and father of orchestration of Carnatic music. Born and raised in Delhi, Vinay had his initial training from Mrs. A. Vanaja and subsequently trained under Late Sri V. Janakiraman and his uncle Late Sri Kovai B. Dakshinamurthy. A concert performer for over 20 years, Vinay has had the privilege of accompanying many leading Carnatic musicians in Delhi, Chennai and the US. He has performed on national radio and TV in India and has won many awards including an Indian government scholarship for training



in music. He has also had the opportunity to collaborate with Boston based World Jazz groups "Natraj" and "Bangalore". Vinay has a PhD in economics and lives and works in the Boston area.



Mahalingam Santhanakrishnan (Mali) is a disciple of Vidwan Late Sri P. Srinivasa Iyer of Madras. Mali hails from the prestigious Mridangam school of Padmabhushan Palghat T.S. Mani Iyer. He has also taken advanced lessons from Padmashri Palghat R. Raghu. Mali has accompanied all of our top notch North American artists as well as several stalwarts from India like Sri O.S. Thyagarajan, Sri T.R.Subramaniam, Sri R.K.Srikantan, Sri Sashank, Smt Mala Chandrashekar, Sri Palghat Ramprasad, Sri Kunnakkudi Balamuralikrishna to name a few. He has also performed in world music concerts notably with Sri Sandip Burman and Shri R. Prasanna. Mali works and

teaches Mridangam in the Boston area.