

# TRICHY S. KRISHNASWAMY

## GHATAM ARTIST

Trichy S. Krishnaswamy is one of the most sought out Ghatam players in the field of music. He began his training under Thanjai Sri V. Srinivasan at age of 10. After having vigorous training of in Ghatam for 6 years, his skills and abilities are nurtured and tuned by Mridangam maestro Trichy Sri. B.Harikumar. He was awarded scholarship from Ministry of culture, Government of India for advance training and learning nuances of percussion under Sri B.Harikumar. Krishnaswamy is an 'A' grade Ghatam artist in All India Radio, Tiruchirappalli. By his tonal clarity and aesthetic playing, he became one of the foremost choices of co-artists by many veterans for their concerts. Krishnaswamy has performed with legendary instrumentalists like violin virtuosos Sri R. Ganesh-Sri R.Kumaresh, Veena maestro Dr.JayanthiKumaresh, Saxophone veteran Dr.KadriGopalnath and fabulous flute artist Shashank Subramanian. He also collaborated with many Indian and western percussion players in many Carnatic concerts, Jugalbhandhis, Fusion concerts and Percussion ensembles.

Krishnaswamy has travelled widely and played numerous concerts in many prestigious venues India and



abroad. He is one of the few Indian percussion players who have performed in world renowned venues like Kennedy Centre-Washington D.C., Theatre De Ville- Paris, South bank centre-London and The Esplanade Hall-Singapore to name a few.

Krishnaswamy is granted Junior Fellowship from Government of India for his thesis "Mora and Korvai for ThiruppugazhSanthatalas". He is conferred as "AsthanaVidwan of Sri KanchiKamakodiPeetam" by his holinessPoojyasriJayendraSaraswathi Swamigal in the year 2008. He is also awarded with the title "Yuva Kala Bharathi" from BharathKalachar, Chennai for his outstanding contributions to field of Ghatam.

Krishnaswamy also has hands on experience in teaching Mridangam and Ghatam for the last 10 years. He has trained many students and guided them to develop themselves in the field of percussion.