

Solo Short Bio

A fifth-generation musician of the illustrious Lalgudi bani, Lalgudi Vijayalakshmi, daughter and disciple of legendary musician, Lalgudi G Jayaraman, is an artiste who engages both deeply and variedly with her music. As a violinist, she performs solo, duet, as an accompanist and collaborates with artistes across genres. She is also an accomplished vocalist, a composer, and a teacher. As a composer, besides musical compositions such as thillanas, varnams and krithis, she has also composed both lyrics and music for full length dance dramas, and set to tune works of great poets. With a sparkling four-decade-long journey in music, Vijayalakshmi has been recognized for her music through a slew of awards and accolades, including the most prestigious Sangita Kalanidhi by The Music Academy. A compliment she holds as particularly special is one that Pandit Ravi Shankar ji, the legendary sitar maestro showered on her, following her performance in the United States a few years ago - "You have your father's fingers. Your music has touched my soul". In her trust Krutagnya (Sanskrit for gratitude), Vijayalakshmi has been working to create awareness about the varied aspects of music and provide a stage for budding violinists from different schools to showcase their talent.