



RAMESH MISHRA

Akademi Award: Hindustani Instrumental Music (Sarangi)

Shri Ramesh Mishra was born in 1948 in Benaras into a family of traditional musicians. He was initiated in music by his father Ramnath Mishra and later studied under Hanuman Prasad Mishra and Gopal Mishra. He has also benefited by the guidance of Pandit Ravi Shankar.

Shri Ramesh Mishra has distinguished himself in the field of Hindustani music with his mastery over the Sarangi. A soloist as well as a competent accompanist, he has performed extensively in concerts with eminent musicians including Pandit Ravi Shankar and Ustad Ali Akbar Khan. The former's album *Live in Kremlin* and the latter's album *Legacy*, which was nominated for a Grammy award, features music by Shri Mishra. He was also a participating artist in the 'Concert for George' at Royal Albert Hall in London and in Aero Smith's much-acclaimed album *Nine Lines*. He has been featured by radio and television globally and his records have been produced by major labels in India and abroad.

Shri Ramesh Mishra has received a number of awards for his work including the Uttar Pradesh Sangeet Natak Akademi Award, conferred in 1991. He has been honoured by the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, U.S.A., for his work in the field of music.

Shri Ramesh Mishra receives the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award for his contribution to Hindustani instrumental music.