

TRIVANDRUM VEERARAGHAVAN BALAJI

CARNATIC INSTRUMENTAL (MRIDANGAM)



Shri Trivandrum Veeraraghavan Balaji was born on 9 September 1974 at Trivandrum, Kerala. He inherited the art of music as family tradition and was initiated into the art by his grandfather Shri Kodivayal Venkatrama Iyer. Further, he learnt from Shri. B. Doraiswamy, Shri. K. Krishna Iyengar, Shri R. Vaidyanathan and Shri Palghat R. Raghu. He has distinguished himself as a soloist and has also accompanied veterans of Carnatic music. He has performed in many prestigious festivals in India and abroad.

Shri Trivandrum V. Balaji has been duly rewarded for his talent by the Music Academy, the Krishna Gana Sabha and received the Chembai Trust Young Musician award and Maharajapuram Viswanatha Iyer award.

Shri Trivandrum Veeraraghavan Balaji is awarded the Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar of Sangeet Natak Akademi for the year 2009 for his notable talent in the field of Carnatic Instrumental Music.