



Indira Sivasailam Foundation to host ‘Anweshā – Quest for the best’ – contest for *rasikas* to interact with Lalgudi Krishnan and Lalgudi Vijayalakshmi

Chennai, August 28, 2017: Over the past eight years The Indira Sivasailam Foundation has brought *rasikas* and artists together to celebrate our rich Carnatic music tradition. As a pre-event to the Indira Sivasailam Endowment Concert – 2017, the Foundation is hosting ‘Anweshā – Quest for the best’ on September 20, 2017. ‘Anweshā’ is an interactive platform for Carnatic music enthusiasts to interact with the winner of the year’s Indira Sivasailam Endowment Medal through a question and answer session.

‘Anweshā’ invites Carnatic music enthusiasts to send in questions related to Carnatic music, of which the best ones will be shortlisted by the contest jury from The Music Academy, Madras. The top 30 finalists will be invited for an interactive Q&A session with Lalgudi Krishnan and Lalgudi Vijayalakshmi, the winner of this year’s Indira Sivasailam Endowment Medal. **One can participate by posting the questions to The Indira Sivasailam Foundation Facebook page (facebook.com/theISfoundation) inbox or by emailing them to info@isfoundation.in.** This is a unique opportunity for Carnatic music enthusiasts to meet and interact with one of the leading artists of this generation. The contest is open till September 13, 2017, 5 pm.

Lalgudi Krishnan and Lalgudi Vijayalakshmi will perform at The Indira Sivasailam Endowment Concert 2017, on September 22 at the Music Academy, Madras.



About The Indira Sivasailam Foundation

The Indira Sivasailam Foundation has been contributing towards perpetuating and promoting our rich culture and tradition and preserving and propagating various art forms. The foundation was established by Ms. Mallika Srinivasan, Chairman & CEO, TAFE, in the year 2010, in memory of her mother, the Late *Smt.* Indira Sivasailam. The foundation is constantly involved in activities such as care and welfare of senior citizens, women's empowerment, Hindu philosophy, Sanskrit literature and *annadana*.

Through the Indira Sivasailam Endowment Fund, under the auspices of The Music Academy, Madras, the foundation organizes The Indira Sivasailam Endowment Concert during the *Navaratri* season every year, recognizing an outstanding Carnatic musician with The Indira Sivasailam Endowment Medal and citation. Since 2010, renowned and coveted Carnatic musicians like *Smt.* Sudha Ragunathan, *Sri.* Sanjay Subrahmanyam, *Smt.* Aruna Sairam, *Smt.* Bombay Jayashri Ramnath, *Sri.* T. M. Krishna, the Malladi Brothers – *Sri.* Malladi Sreeramprasad and *Sri.* Malladi Ravikumar and the RaGa Sisters – *Smt.* Ranjani and *Smt.* Gayatri have been conferred this honor. With the noble aim of promulgating South Indian classical music, the foundation ensures that the concert is open to all, without any fee.