

# LAVANYA KARTHIKEYAN

CARNATIC VIOLINIST



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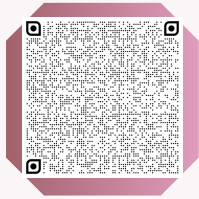
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## ACADEMIC EDUCATION

- High school Diploma from Pearson Online Academy, USA June 2023
- Advanced Diploma - Carnatic Vocal at Tamil nadu Dr J. Jayalalitha Music And Fine Arts University.  
(Commenced in September 2023)
- Pursuing Bachelor of Fine arts Program with a major in dance.  
(Commenced in January 2025)

## OTHER INTERESTS

Rock Climbing, Basketball,  
Hiking. Ballet and Guitar

**Lavanya Karthikeyan** is a budding violinist, vocalist, and dancer based out of Bridgewater, NJ, USA. Her journey into music started at the age of five when she started violin lessons with Smt. Sandhya Anand having showing affinity to the sounds of violin. Under the guidance of Vidwan Rajeev Mukundan she is currently refining her violin skills.

Lavanya is also broadening her musical abilities as a vocal student of Vid. Sri Abilash Giriprasad.

From a young age Lavanya has been performing on stage with many appearances for the violin and vocals in the New York and New Jersey area. In addition Lavanya is a trained Bharathanatyam dancer and similarly has done many stage performances all over the United States to her credit.

Lavanya, through her passion, talent, hard work, and love for her craft, exhibits a promising future in music and dance. As a young artist, she is determined to learning and growing, hoping to make her own mark in the world of music and dance.

## EDUCATION IN ARTS

### Carnatic Violin

Lavanya started her journey in Carnatic Violin with Smt. Sandhya Anand, a highly-respected Guru in the NJ music community.

Currently she refines her Violin skills and technique under the tutelage of Vidwan Sri. Rajeev Mukundan, Pittsburg, USA for the past several years.

### Carnatic Vocal

Lavanya has been under the tutelage of Vidwan Sri. Abilash Giriprasad for the past several years and has been honing her vocal techniques and repertoire under his guidance.

### Bharathanatyam

Lavanya started Bharathanatyam training at the age of five with her mother Smt. Radhamani Varadhachary, NJ.

Additionally Lavanya is receiving advanced training from Sri. Shankar Kandasamy, Head of Dept. of Dance, Temple of Fine Arts, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

## CONCERT EXPERIENCE

- During the December 2022, 2023, 2024 Margazhi Season she performed several concerts conducted by major sabhas and organizations including VVS Foundation, Kartik Fine arts, Nada sudha, YADA , Veena vadhini, and Margazhi Isai Kondattam among others.
  - Lavanya has performed widely in the tri-state area including Srivari Sri Balaji temple, NJ, Guruvayoorappan Temple, NJ, Sri Krushna Vrundavana, NJ and Sai Datta peetam, Srutilaya, NY, and Mahaperiyava mani mantapam among others.
  - During the Covid times she has performed in online platforms including Music of Madras, Saptami foundation, Spring Nectar foundation and others.
  - She was also featured as part of the Isai Mazhalai "Naalaya Nachatirangal"
  - She has participated in the Cleveland Thyagaraja Aradhana's flagship program Sustaining Sampradaya in the years 2023 and 2019 as part of RK Srikantan stream and S.Rajam stream.
  - Lavanya has given many stage performances in Bharatanayam and Vocal. Her Vocal and Bharathanatyam Arangetram was held in Vani Mahal, Chennai in July 2023 and March 2024 respectively and graced by the presence of esteemed guests including Vid. Prince Rama Varma, Vid. Sri A.S.Murali, Sri. V.V.Sundaram, Padmashree Leela Samson, Smt. Bragha Bessel, and Sri. Jeyachandran Surendran among many others.
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## PRIZES WON

- 1st place - Senior Krithi Category, Cleveland Thyagaraja Aradhana; April 2023
- Finalist - Tanpura Competition, Spring Nectar Foundation; June 2021.
- Special mention- Samaa arts; August 2020.
- 2nd Place- Live4you competitions in Junior category, August 2020
- Best Violinst & Best Vocalist - Spring Nectar Foundation; May 2020.
- 1st Place- Violin Krithi under 15 category. Papanasam Sivan Competitions, New Jersey. September 2017, 2018.
- 1st Place - Saptami Foundation (12-17 category) - Regionals, NJ 2017,2018
- 1st place - Art N Beat competitions in Violin in Junior category, June 2018
- Topped the Championship board for Indian Raga contests in both Violin and Dance; 2017 (Intermediate category)
- 2nd place - Nadaswaroopini 2016 - Instrumental Krithi competition - Subjunior
- Won several competitions for Carnatic Vocal including CMANA, Cleveland Thyagaraja Aradhana, Saptami, Sudharnava, Poruri Sangeetha Sabha, from 2015- Present
- In 2024, She is also a recipient of YoungArts winner with distinction in world dance and the winner of both the Choreography and performance categories in dance at the Cleveland Thyagaraja festival and bagged the Vavuvor Ramiah pillai prize for the same.