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The Bangalore School of Music

Concert Newsletter – June 2009

Dear Friends,

Welcome back after the May holidays, when the Music School Faculty & Staff enjoy a well earned break. Peter Abreo & I each took off a week & then continued with our work, planning & looking at the year ahead. Lots of exciting events coming up for your musical pleasure.

The last Newsletter was sent in early April listing the numerous Concerts – OZMA, the French Jazz Group, **Jia-ya He**, the Chinese Harmonica virtuoso from China who captured our hearts & also played with **Sulaiman Jamal** & his Jazz friends.

Another Concert presented Maestro **Carol George**, Violinist & a Quintet with three of our musicians, who have been with the prestigious Symphony Orchestra of India, Mumbai for a year now. It was amazing to hear our musicians playing & reaching such high standards. **Aruna Sunderlal**, mezzo soprano sang opera arias & some well – loved songs, with pianist Rebecca Thomas accompanying.

April ended with two more Concerts – **Spring String Concert** in honour of Alice Yeadell, visiting Faculty member from U.K, who leaves us this month. The String Students & the Student & Senior Chamber Orchestras played a wide variety of music for her. The next day again, the students performed at the monthly Students Concert, saying a musical thankyou to her.

Its amazing to find ourselves in the month of June already. The Music School is once again buzzing with music and it's a good feeling.

Dear friends, we will be presenting a Concert for you this month as part of the **Fete de la Musique** Weekend events of the Alliance Francaise. The BSM participated in the very first World Music Day Concert at the AF twenty years ago & we continue to do so over two decades. **Please find the details as below ---**

The Opera 'Samson & Delilah' **On Friday, 12th June at the Alliance Francaise – 7:00 pm**

Members may kindly note that the above Opera will be filmed as part of the Alliance Francaise Festival. **The Grand Opera** is the three acts by C. Saint – Saens (1835 – 1921), The French Organist & Composer. The principal singers are **Jon Vickers & Shirley Verrett**.

Entrance free for all music lovers. Please do not miss the Opera with its enchanting music loved by all.

**Evening of Classical Music at The Alliance Francaise
On Friday 19 June – 6 : 15 pm onwards**

We are happy to be part of the Alliance Francaise celebrations & have a Concert presentation. The first half of the programme will present the **Student String Quartet of young stars** - Jaziel & Joy Peter, Divya R. on Viola & Anup A on Cello. Hear Jaziel play the heart stopping Czardas & Sarasate's 'Romansa Andalusia', like the maestro he is. The Quartet of the young artistes has been making waves & will soon appear on TV among other stage performances.

The second half of the Concert will feature the popular classical **Guitar Duo of Dinesh K & Felix Anto**. The sounds of the Portuguese guitar will also be heard in concert with the classical guitar, with Spanish & fado melodies. **Some of the pieces include ---**

Portuguese Music (Fado Music)
Sonhar Lisboa – Antonio Chainho
Fado Lopes

Classical Guitar Duets
Duet in 2 Movements – Fernando Sor
Spanish Folk Songs
Romanza
Allegretto – Luigi Castellacci
Song without words

An unusual combination of Violin & Guitar duets will also be part of the programme.

Friends of Music Welcome. Please bring your friends & family to enjoy the variety of music. The time of Concert may be noted. Entrance is free for all music lovers.

The BSM Chamber Orchestra Development

We are so happy to share with you that a dear friend & patron **Mr. Cecil Dewars**, who has encouraged music & musicians in the city for decades, has graciously consented to accept our invitation as Chairperson of the Chamber Orchestra Development. This is wonderful news as we can now be assured that Mr. Dewars will take the Chamber Orchestra places. Under maestro 'NS' they have given us high quality music for over a decade & brought the Music School accolades, and will now be able to spend adequate hours in training, expand its repertoire further & also perform out of Bangalore. All this will be made possible now.

Needless to say, we need all the continued support of our 'Friends of Music' who are individual patrons of our Concert Series since 1994.

We are pleased to inform you that BSM is now on **FACEBOOK**. Please do a search on '**GROUPS**' for 'Bangalore School of Music' & register to be part of our community.

There is much more news to give, which will come in the July Newsletter. Till then.

Looking forward to meeting you at all the above events.

Warm regards

Aruna Sunderlal & the BSM Family.
