



# VINAY & VIVEK

MUSIC, STORYTELLING & ART

## WHAT WE DO

Vivek Sadasivam, a singer & Vinay Varanasi, a public speaker, have been presenting programs that combine narrative, music and art. Their productions contain stories from Puranas, Itihasas along with music of various composers. Sometimes, an element of visual art done by Vinay is also added to the production to enhance the experience. These programs are intertwined in a way to seamlessly move between music and speech, such that the listener enjoys the experience in a wholesome manner.

## WHY WE DO IT

Storytelling and music are two complimentary artforms that enhance the experience of the other. Many Carnatic classical musicians composed songs with context, that stories and explanation bring out. Similarly, many philosophical ideas and tenets can be expressed through melody: lyrics, manodharma and ragas. This combination draws audiences with varied interests, and aims to bring many more to approach cultural arenas (music, spirituality, art) more freely and with less intimidation.

# SOME THEMES COVERED

## DIVYAKSHI

Exploring compositions and stories on Kamakshi, Meenakshi & Visalakshi

## SHRI RAMA SUNDARI

Showcasing connections between Rama & Devi

## SHRI RAMANJANEYA

Highlighting facets of the relationship between Rama & Hanuman

## PARVA

Five part series on lesser known festivals of India

## KSHETRA PREMA

Stories and songs from temples of India

## PRANANJANEYA

Connections between Hanuman and Prana

## PANCHA BHUTAS

Stories and songs about the five elements

## DHATRI

Series exploring connections between nature, deities and music

We have performed for various organizations across India such as Chembur Fine Arts, Mumbai, Seshadripuram Shri Rama Seva Samiti, Bangalore, Shri Guruguha Gana Vidyalaya, Kolkata, Gudiya Sambhrama, Aalaap concepts and many more.

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Wonderful to see two talented youngsters come together to think deeply about these concepts that our music and mythology hold. Soothing and spiritually uplifting.

-Gayathri Venkataraghavan  
(Carnatic Singer)

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It was a totally immersive experience. The interspersed melodious music and rich narrative will stay with me.

-Sheila Suryanarayan  
(Connoisseur, post a live performance)

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## PRESS COVERAGE

Read about us and our performances covered by some popular press outlets below:

- [A Fresh Blend of Stories and Melodies- Indica Magazine](#)
- [Meet Vinay Varanasi, the Modern Storyteller- The Hindu](#)
- [A Triumph of Authentic Patanthara- The Hindu](#)

## PERFORMANCE VIDEOS

To give you an idea of what our performances are like, we've compiled some videos from our live concerts and linked them [here](#).

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