

Awards Announced For 2016

24th July 2016



At its meeting held today, 24th July 2016, the Executive Committee of the Music Academy has unanimously chosen the outstanding and versatile violinist, **Kum.A.Kanyakumari**, for its coveted “**Sangita Kalanidhi**” Award and for presiding over the **90th** Annual Conference of the Music Academy to be held from 15th December 2016 to 1st January 2017. Kum. Kanyakumari is a top ranking Carnatic violinist whose experience spans over 50 years as an accompanist, soloist and a teacher. She is the first female violinist ever in the history of The Music Academy to have been chosen for the prestigious “**Sangita Kalanidhi**” Award, which will be conferred on her at the **Sadas** on 1st January 2017. The Committee also chose the following persons for the other awards to be conferred at the **90th** Annual Conference and Concerts.

1. Sangita Kala Acharya : 2 Awards

Rudrapatnam Brothers Shri R.N.Thyagarajan and Shri R.N. Tharanathan (Vocal duo)
Prof. K.Venkataramanan (Vocalist and music teacher)

2. T.T.K. Awards: 2

Dr. Nirmala Sundararajan (Vocalist)

Shri M.Kodilingam (Thevaram singer and Teacher)

3. Musicologist Award: Dr. Rama Kausalya

4. Papa KS Venkataramiah Award

For violin will be given to **Shri Sikkil Baskaran**.

The above awards will also be conferred at the **Sadas** on 1st **January 2017**.

5. DANCE FESTIVAL: Natya Kala Acharya Award:

The **Natya Kala Acharya Award for Dance**, would go to the eminent Bharatanatyam Dancer and choreographer, **Kum. Malavika Sarukkai**. This award will be conferred at the Inaugural function of the **Dance Festival** on 3rd **January 2017**.

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PRESIDENT.