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- ◆ Disciple of Smt. Swati Phadke (Naadbrahma Shastriya Sangeet Vidyalaya) since 1997.
- ◆ Disciple of Smt. Sudeshna Gupta since 2015
- ◆ Sangeet Visharad - from Akhil Bharatiya Gandharva Mahavidyalaya, Mumbai for Hindustani Classical Music May 2008.
- ◆ Scored 96% at the practical examinations of Madhyama Pratham conducted by the Akhil Bharatiya Gandharva Mahavidyalaya, Mumbai for Hindustani Classical Music (Vocal) in the year 2000.

**Awards**

- Won the Pandit Jasraj Award for Promising Talent and Excellence in Hindustani Classical Music in 2009
- Won the State level Hindustani classical vocal competition organized by the Government College of Music, Hyderabad in 2013.
- Won the State level light music competition held by Kala Sangam Group and went on to participate in the National level competition, in May 2008.
- Won the State level 'Utkarsh' music competition that was judged by Shri Anup Jalota, in 2006.
- Won awards and recognition from stalwarts in Hindustani classical music like Padma Bhushan Dr. Prabha Atre, Pt. Jasraj, Vidushi Smt. Veena Sahasrabuddhe, Vidushi Smt. Padma Talwalkar, Pt. Phalguni Mitra, Smt. Sudeshna Gupta and Carnatic vocalists Sri. Malladi Suribabu, Smt. Sudharani Manda and Malladi Brothers.

**Other notable endeavours**

- Performed at varied venues (California Institute of Integral Studies, Indian Cultural Association of Albany NY, Namaste Shenandoah VA, Indian Cultural Association, Dallas etc.) in the USA.
- Performed extensively in classical music and light music concerts in Hyderabad, Bangalore, Bhadrachalam and Visakhapatnam.
- Performed at the Taramati Baradari Festival held by Govt. of Andhra Pradesh in 2013 and other festivals.
- Performed for Surmandal under the aegis of Sri. Mohan Hemmadi, Tarang (Sri. Suri Penubolu), NatyaSwara (Sri. Anna Rao) and Hydourite (India's largest music festival).
- Started Raageshree Foundation and School of Music in 2012 and has been involved in teaching Hindustani and light classical music. Raageshree is actively involved in the promotion of Indian performing arts.
- Involved in freelancing with The Hindu, as their cultural correspondent for the supplement – Friday Review, for events in Hyderabad based on classical music.