



### **A. VIJAY KARTHIKEYAN**

CARNATIC INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC (NAGASWARAM)

Born on 5 June 1978, in Chinnamanur, Tamil Nadu, Shri A Vijay Karthikeyan belongs to the family of musicians and received his initial training in Nagaswaram from his grandfather, Shri C.V. Ganesan, later he learnt under the tutelage of Thiruppamburam Brothers, Shri T.K.S. Swaminathan and Shri T.K.S. Meenakshi Sundaram. He has also learnt vocal music from his mother Shrimati G. Krishnaveni Arjunan.

A graded artist of All India Radio and Doordarshan and an empanelled artist of I.C.C.R., Shri A Vijay Karthikeyan has widely performed in many prestigious music festivals in India. He has also participated in many seminars and workshops on Carnatic Music. He has received several awards from various prestigious organisations. Presently, he is working as Assistant Professor of Nagaswaram at Faculty of Fine Arts, Annamalai University, Chidambaram, Tamil Nadu.

Shri A Vijay Karthikeyan is awarded the Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar of Sangeet Natak Akademi for 2013-2014 for his notable talent in the field of Carnatic instrumental music.