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CARNATIC INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

Shri Valayapatti AR Subramaniam



France (1985) and the United States (1985-86). Among other honours Shri Valayapatti Subramaniam received the title of Kalaimamani from Tamil Nadu Eyal Isai Nataka Manram in 1977.

Shri Valayapatti AR Subramaniam receives the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award for his contribution to Carnatic instrumental music.

Born 1941 in the village of Valayapatti, Tamil Nadu, Shri Valayapatti AR Subramaniam learnt Thavil from Shri Mannargudi Rajagopala Pillai. He also trained in Nagaswaram and Kanjira.

An accomplished Thavil accompanist for Nagaswaram, Shri Subramaniam has also accompanied vocalists and violinists in a large number of recitals. As a soloist he has issued a gramophone record and featured as an accompanist on several records and cassettes. Performing widely in South India, he has played abroad at the Festivals of India in