



SHAHID PARVEZ KHAN

Akademi Award: Hindustani Instrumental Music (Sitar)

Shri Shahid Parvez Khan was born in 1954 in Mumbai. He belongs to a traditional family of musicians, and was groomed by his father Aziz Khan, a well-known musician and composer of the Etawah gharana. Over the fifteen years of his training, he also received instruction in vocal music.

Shri Shahid Parvez Khan gave his first public performance on the Sitar while not yet ten years of age, and won a place for himself in Hindustani music while still in his early youth. A performer of exceptional brilliance, he has participated in many major festivals of music in India. He has represented the country at the Festivals of India held in the former Soviet Union, the United Kingdom, and France. He has also organized music workshops in Mumbai, Calcutta, Hyderabad, New York, and Toronto. His style in the Sitar is distinguished by intricacy of rhythmic patterns and a combination of the gayaki and tantrakari angas of Hindustani music. He performs over All India Radio, and has produced many CDs, audio- and video-cassettes.

Shri Shahid Parvez Khan received the Kumar Gandharv Samman from the Government of Madhya Pradesh in 1995.

Shri Shahid Parvez Khan receives the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award for his contribution to Hindustani instrumental music.