



## T. Kuppuswami Mudaliar

I present to you, Sir, Shri T. Kuppuswami Mudaliar.

Shri Kuppuswami Mudaliar was born in 1907, in Kanchipuram. He received training in Mridangam and Thavil from the celebrated Vidwan Varadaraja Mudaliar. Along with this he inherited a gift for music from his father, who was a renowned violinist, and for dance from his uncle, a learned teacher of Bharata Natyam.

Shri Kuppuswami Mudaliar began his career as a Mridangam artiste for Bharata Natyam with Shri Kandappa Pillai, the Guru of Smt. Balasaraswathi. For over 40 years now he has been providing Mridangam accompaniment for Smt. Balasaraswathi.

For his eminence in the field of Dance Accompaniment and his contribution to its enrichment, Shri Kuppuswami Mudaliar receives the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award.