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## **SEPTEMBER 10, 2016 - PROGRAM REVIEWS**

## Celestial Sound of Sitar and Veena Featuring Pt. Krishna Mohan Bhatt (Sitar), Saraswathi and Ganapathy Ranganathan (Veena and Mridangam), and Nitin Mitta (Tabla)

"The concert was too good. The Veena is exquisite"
- Oscar
"Absolutely awesome. Saraswathi played beautiful notes. At times I did not know if there was one or two Veenas!"
- Vittal
"So enchanting, Could not sleep after the concert!"
- Ben
Thanks a lot Bhartiji. Amazing pictures taken by the photographer you have arranged. Everything you do is Best In Class. Thanks for your hospitality during our visit. Great arrangements with the choice of venue, lodging, the people, the sponsors and everything associated with the event. Thanks for putting such tremendous efforts to bring artists together for Jugalbandhi. It was a great opportunity to perform with Krishna ji & Nitin ji. Looking forward to more collaborative concerts
Thank you, - Ganapathi
That means a lot to me Bharti. I love the music, and hope others will as well.  We had a great evening vestanday. The deeps years enough at Proyect College in time. About 25 nearly attended

We had a great evening yesterday. The doors were opened at Broward College in time. About 35 people attended a free lecture-demo .Thank you so------much for making it happen. With your support, I can bring more Indian Music at our college.

Best,

- Scott Miller

Dean, Arts, Humanities, Communication & Design

Thank you for arranging an exquisite concert.

Best Regards,

- Viji

Thanks so much Bharti-ben! And special thanks to uncle! It was a wonderful enriching experience. I enjoyed it. And I got to know virtuosos Nitin and Krishna-ji. Thanks to all your warm hospitality and to all the wonderful APAI fans and supporters Hugs to you. See you soon!

- Saraswathi Ranganathan

Thank you Bharti Ben for the lovely pictures and to the Photographer who captured it. It was lovely meeting and playing with the loving Sara & Ganapathy and its always a great experience playing with Krishnaji. It was so much fun. Thanks to the wonderful efforts of APAI, that the event was such a big success. Please continue to do this amazing work of keeping our Indian classical art form alive and growing.

- Nitin Mitta

Excellent program. Artists were very good and lively which made it even better. Punctuality of your programs deserves applaud. Thanks

- Ranjan/ vinod

The show was very enjoyable.

- Sharmistha D.

Saraswathi is my favorite! She really connects with the audience.

- Karen D.

Feedback / Comments: Rate on scale (1) Excellent (3) Mediocre (5) Poor

- (1) The quality of the artists----1-
- (2) The Venue----1-----1
- (3) The Sound in the auditorium -1-----
- (4) The management-----1-----
- Dr.Chokshi

Dear APAI, The Sitar and Veena concert presented on Sept. 10th was another incredible event. South Florida is not short on events and musical entertainment...however APAI truly shines through by consistently presenting world class artists in every concert. There aren't many organizations whom are able to do this. Pt. Krishna Mohan Bhatt and Nitin Mitta were absolutely incredible in every way. The jugalbandi (fusion) between Sitar and Veena was also a great success. Saraswathi Ranganathan and her brother Ganapathi Ranganathan were also good but did not shine quite as pristinely as Pt. Bhatt and Nitin Mitta. However, it was still evident that they truly loved and enjoyed their craft but needed more time to perfect their musical skills. Overall, I'd personally say that the show was a success and I look forward to the next event that APAI puts forward.

- Dr. Jesse H.

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