



Dr Umayalpuram K Sivaraman born on 17th Dec 1935, has by dint of superlative artistry on the art of mridangam, earned himself a unique place as one of the greatest legends. In a career spanning 70 years till date, he has covered the entire gamut of percussive music, accompanying the greatest legends in Carnatic music & Hindustani music, playing with the best of Jazz bands and Fusion music, exclusive percussion concerts with a variety of instruments, lecture demonstrations, research on the science of design & construction of mridangam. He has documented his unique 'bani' through his book "The Voyage of mridangam and its high voltage art" covering all facets of mridangam playing techniques and nuances.

Prestigious awards:

- ❖ Padma Vibhushan awardee, 2010
- ❖ Sangeetha Kalanidhi from Music Academy, Chennai, 2001
- ❖ Mrudangam Legend
- ❖ Fellow, Sangeet Natak Akademi, New Delhi (Akademi Ratna), 2012
- ❖ Kalaimamani award from Govt. of Tamil Nadu