

**Vid. Vijaya Murthy** was a member of an elite group of students who formed the first batch of the Master's degree programme in Carnatic music at the Mysore University. She completed the course under the guidance of Prof. V. Ramarathnam, a highly respected musician, teacher and author of several books on music. Later she went on to complete her Vidwat qualification in 1984 under the guidance of Vid. Sugandha Raman, Bangalore. In between, Vid. Vijaya Murthy also completed her Master's degree in Kannada from the same university.

Vid. Vijaya Murthy has written several pieces on music for the Indiranagar Sangeetha Sabha's souvenir. Her deep knowledge of Kannada and her enthusiasm for Sanskrit equips her with a unique grasp of the meanings and interpretation of the lyrics of each composition.

Over the years she has trained several students including her own son Sri. S.A. Karthik. Her student Ms. Shreeya Jain secured the first rank for Karnataka state in the senior music exam.