

Dr. Sobha Raju Felicited.....

Telugu Fine Arts Society (TFAS) organized an evening of Annamacharya Sankeertanas rendered by renowned singer Dr. Sobha Raju at Krishna Temple, Edison, New Jersey on September 10, 2010. This concert was a conclusion to a 4 day music workshop in Edison, NJ conducted by TFAS. The workshop was attended by close to 40 students. The concert started with the rendition of the compositions by students that they learnt in the workshop from Dr. Sobha Raju.

Dr. Sobha Raju started her concert by rendering a prayer to Lord Ganapati. She immediately captured the audience with the magic of her voice and the compositions of Saint Annamacharya. The audience was lost in the divine music. This educational, spiritual and musical rendition was enjoyed by the audience who stayed glued to their chairs for more than 3 hours.

The entire hall was filled with clapping as the audience was lost in the rendition of some Sankeertanas in folk tunes by Dr. Sobha Raju accompanied by some melodious music. People from the audience started sending in requests to Dr. Sobha Raju to sing some of their favorite songs.

Ms. Manju Bhargava (Secretary) invited many local dignitaries and well wishers of TFAS who included Grand Patron Ravinder Thota, Dr Bandaru Raja Rao, Bhavaraju Murty, Past Presidents Damodar Gedala, Ramakrishna Seethala, and the TFAS Committee Chairs Usha Akella (Annual Events), Anantha Sudhaker Uppala (IT), Girija Kolluri (Youth), Jayanarayana Kureti (Community Services), Vasant Naidu (Membership), Suresh Makam (Treasurer) onto the stage to felicitate Dr. Sobha Raju and her accompanying musicians.

TFAS presented a Sanmana Pathram and conferred the title of "Annamayya Gana Kokila" in recognition of her efforts to propagate Annamacharya Sankeertanas and outstanding achievements as a singer.

This event was a grand success for TFAS and proved to be another crowing glory in the TFAS charter to encourage Fine Arts.

