

## Shashwathi

### Carnatic Vocalist

Shashwathi, a Carnatic musician from Chennai, was only five years old when she was inspired to start singing by her grandmother. She started learning Carnatic music formally at the age of seven and has trained under various Gurus from Chennai. In addition to this, she holds a Masters Degree in Music from the University of Madras and has also completed the 8th Grade in Western Vocals from The Trinity College of London.



While in Chennai, she taught music for three years at the Kalakshetra Foundation. Shashwathi currently resides in The Hague and runs her own music school where she teaches Carnatic vocals to both children and adults. She was associated with The SKVR Rotterdam for 2 years, where she conducted World Music workshops for Dutch Primary School Children along with other Dutch musicians.

Shashwathi is currently collaborating and performing concerts with artists in the Netherlands such as Mark Alban Lotz, Kalpana Raghuraman, Denden Karadeniz, Igor Besget, Heiko Dijker, Tim Kliphuis, Rutger Muller and Stefan Schmid to name a few. She recently performed a concert for the Dutch TV channel Vrije Gelowden. Shashwathi has also performed at the India House, The Indian Ambassador's house.

She has performed concerts at numerous temples and venues all over South India including various TV Channels. Aside from her Carnatic concerts, Shashwathi also provides vocal support for Bharatanatyam (South Indian Classical Dance).

She made her movie debut for the Maestro Illayaraja for the Telugu movie Gaayam 2 and has sung backing vocals for renowned music directors like A R Rahman, Sharreth, Vijay Antony, Imman, Ramesh Vinayakam, Vishal Chandrashekar and many others.

#### Performances at Netherlands Music festivals:

- Landjuweel Festival 2019 and 2021, Ruigoord
- The India Dans Festival 2020, Den Haag
- Museum Speelklok, Utrecht 2020

- Huiskamer Festival 2021, Amsterdam
- Theater Festival Boulevard 2021, Den Bosch
- Volfest 2022, Zeist
- Culture Shock, The Voorkamer, Utrecht, 2022
- Zomerparkfeest Festival 2022, Venlo
- UIT Festival 2022, The Hague
- Carnatic concert with KNM Ensemble Berlin, 2022

For more of Shashwathi's music, please visit her [Linktree](#) and her [YouTube channel](#).