

Chhandayan Academy of Indian Music:

Indian Music Appreciation Course

This Indian Music Appreciation Course (IMAC) will be offered in four semesters, starting from the first day of September and ending on the last day of August, of each year. In each semester ten classes will be offered. The classes will be conducted virtually on every Saturday from 11 am (NY time) for a duration of 55 minutes, out of which the first 45 minutes will be a lecture on the topic, followed by a question-answer session for 10 minutes.

The Indian Music Appreciation Course will be taught by Professor Samir Chatterjee, also the President of Chhandayan. Prof. Chatterjee has held esteemed faculty positions at several reputed institutions in the USA. He has also authored three significant books on Indian music. He has numerous published recordings to his credit. In addition to Prof. Chatterjee, experts on the specific topic of the class may appear as guests. In each lecture-session, relevant audio-visual samples and/or practical demonstrations may be used.

Relevant notes, texts and links on the topic of the lecture will be displayed on the screen for reference.

At the end of the course attendees will be offered an option to take a test quiz. They will also receive a certificate at the end of the course.

Payment for the year will be needed at the time of registration. If an enrolled student must miss a semester, the payment for that semester will be transferred to the same semester in the following year.

Semesters

Fall Semester: September, October and November

Winter Semester: December, January and February

Spring Semester: March, April and May

Summer Semester: June, July and August

Some of the favorite topics:

The Heritage of Sacred Sound,

Melody and Harmony,

Rhythm – linear and cyclic,
Forms and Formats; in South (Carnatic) and North (Hindustani) Indian Music,
Fragrance of the Land - Tribal, Folk, Popular and Classical music,
Instruments of Expression,
Pedagogy in Music Education and Lineage,
The Practice Myth - Technique to Enlightenment,
Rasa Impact towards Universal Wellbeing.

Fee:

Annual registration fee: \$3600 (Three thousand six hundred US dollars).