

# Guitar Fusion

Ravi Iyer

- *Ravi Iyer Guitar Fusion is an alter ego image of Ravi's musical offerings which comprises of his compositions influenced by world fusion music, driven by enchanting melodies interwoven with interesting rhythmic patterns influenced by Hindustani classical music, Rock & Jazz.*
- *With a distinct and organic sound of this trio, Ravi Iyer Guitar Fusion has already captivated audiences across India and abroad as well.*
- *Invited to perform at prestigious music festivals, corporate events and more, Ravi Iyer has always emerged as a fitting choice for world fusion music.*
- *Primarily a trio, the band also collaborates with other fusion artists expanding the fusion zones.*



# RAVI IYER GUITAR FUSION TRIO



*Krishnan Narayanan*



*Ravi Iyer*



*Rupak Dhamankar*



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# CONCERT MILESTONES

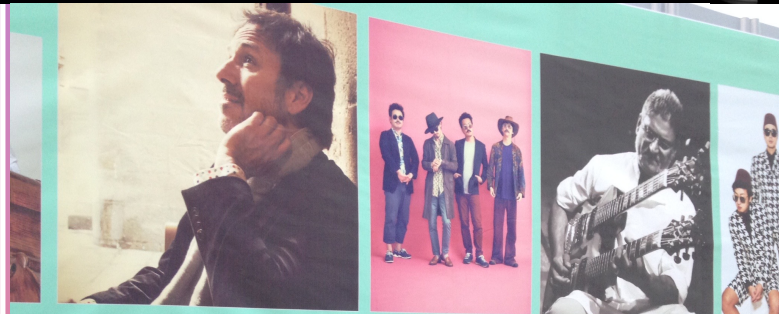
- *The Taehwa River International Jazz Festival, Ulsan South Korea*
  - *Sanskriti Arts Festival, Thane*
  - *The Monsoon Festival, Osho Ashram Pune*
  - *The Pashan Festival, Pune - 2014.*
- *The Kala Ghoda Arts Festival, Mumbai, Wassup Andheri Festival,*
  - *Worli Festival, Bandra Festival et al.*
  - *Marico Evenings, Carter Road (Mumbai)*
    - *Various College Festivals.*
- *Corporate events for LIC, UTI, ICICI, Lakshmi Vilas Bank (Chennai) and many more.*



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### PHOTO GALLERY 1



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불나방 스타 소세지 클럽  
Bulnabang Star Sausage Club

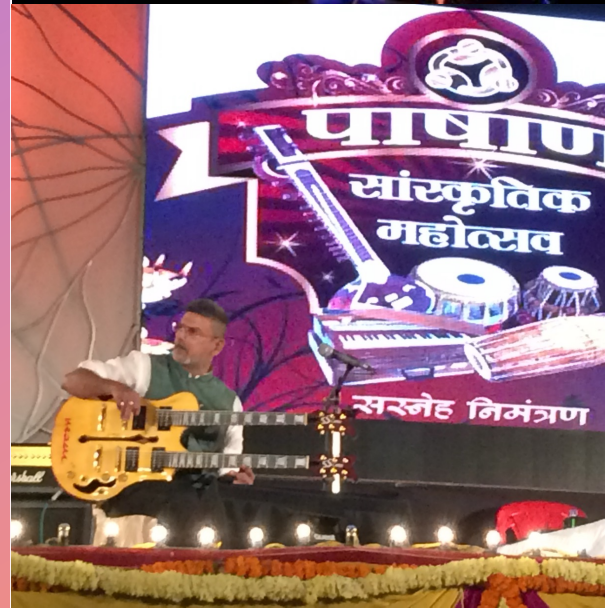
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V-Ravi Guitar Fusion / 인도India

술탄오브디스  
Sultan of the Disco

9월 13일 (토) / 콘서트홀(2층) 19:00-22:00 / 스타일러스 (음) 9월 13일 (토) / 21:00-22:00 / 콘서트홀(2층) 9월 13일 (토) / 22:00-23:00



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*Ravi Iyer*

## ***Introduction***

- *Ravi Iyer, a prolific artist who has been performing live on stage since the 90's is well-known amongst the independent music industry as a guitar player, music producer & educator.*
- *He began with his formal music training starting with the Tabla (Indian Percussion) at the age of 7 under the tutelage of Shri Vasant Rao Acharekar (based out of Parel, Mumbai), and later during his teens he picked up the guitar under the guidance of Late Mr. Bismarck Rodrigues, Mr. Christopher Rodricks and Mr. John Timothy. He is grateful to them for where he stands today as a guitar player and a musician.*
- *Having dabbled with various genres of music viz; rock, pop and fusion, he has won many awards for his compositions and has performed along with the who's who of the Indian music industry in genres of rock & fusion.*
- *Apart from his personal band projects, he has had the privilege to share stage with stalwarts in the world fusion genres viz; Ustad Fazal Qureshi, Ravi Chary, joined on the finale of the prestigious Pashan Festival (Pune) along with Padmabhushan Vikku Vinayakram, performed on guitar duties with Ustad Fazal Qureshi, Sivamani, Dr. L Subramniam (Mumbai, Bangalore, Singapore & Egypt), shared stage with Louis Banks, Gino Banks, Flautist Milind Date and many other noteworthy artists.*



## ***Awards***

- *As a child, Ravi has secured a gold medal for his Tabla solo rendition for an Interschool Competition held in the 1975*
- *His 2<sup>nd</sup> album Bends was nominated for the best fusion album of the year at GIMA Awards 2013.*
- *His 3<sup>rd</sup> album Raga Punch won the IRAA Awards for excellence in the best recorded, mixed & mastered album of the year at PALM Expo 2016.*
- *Ravi's composition & arrangement for the title 'Synthesis – The Indian Muse', a tribute to the 75<sup>th</sup> Year of Indian Independence curated by Mrs. Nanni Singh of Showcase Events (New Delhi), won the Silver medal at The Global Music Awards '22. This composition featured 16 eminent folk artists across India.*





### ***Concert Milestones - Ravi Iyer Guitar Fusion & others***

- *Sanskriti Arts Festival, Thane - 2015.*
- *The Monsoon Festival, Osho Ashram Pune - 2014.*
- ***The Taehwa River International Jazz Festival, Ulsan South Korea - 2014.***
  - *The Pashan Festival, Pune - 2014.*
- *The Indian Embassy New York and North Castle Library Auditorium - 2012.*
- *The Kala Ghoda Arts Festival, Mumbai – 2011, Andheri Festival, Worli Festival, Bandra Festival et al.*
- *The Water Festival with Ustad Fazal Qureshi, Ahmedabad - 2011-2012.*
  - *Various College Festivals.*
- *Ustad Alla Rakha Sangeet Sammelan, Jalandhar, Punjab. Ustad Alla Rakha's 97th birth anniversary celebration, Pune – 2016.*
  - *Mix The City curated by The British Council 2017.*
- *Trio set with Ustad Fazal Qureshi and Pandit Ravi Chary at The Kasauli Rhythm & Blues Festival & HCL Concerts New Delhi'16*
  - *Corporate events for LIC, UTI, ICICI, and many more.*



## *Summary*

- *Ravi has released 5 albums in the rock & fusion genres and has many singles too which are available across all digital music stores, and his YouTube channel.*
- *Apart from Ravi's concert tours, he also has many commercial projects up his ally, which include signature music (mnemonic) creation for corporates, advertising jingles, music scores etc.*
- *He has also established himself as a guitar music educator past 3 decades and continues giving music lessons.*
- *Ravi Iyer's influences and inspirations vary across genres and styles. To name a few artists that inspire him are, Ritchie Blackmore, Deep Purple, Pink Floyd, Larry Carlton, Lee Rietnour, the world fusion music of Shakti, L. Subramaniam, and music genres like rock, pop, disco, funk, fusion, jazz, classical et al.*



*Rupak Dhamankar*

## ***Introduction***

- *Born and brought up in Mumbai, the versatile tabla player and a percussionist, Rupak Dhamankar started his journey with music at the age of four . Music being in his family, he took his initial lessons from his father Shri Ganesh Dhamankar and later from Pt. Omkar Gulvani who themselves are expert tabla players.*
- *To enhance his tabla skills and learn the knowhow of being a tabla player, Rupak takes guidance under ‘Guru Shishya Parampara’ from the most renowned tabla player who has been a maestro in the music industry for about 35 years – Pt. Madhav Pawar a ‘Gandabandh shishya’ of Ust. Amir Hussain Khan Saheb of ‘Dilli purab and Farukhabad gharana’*
- *He started playing Live concerts since the age of 9 years and has been winning applauds since then. Participating for interschool and inter-collegiate festivals, Rupak created his mark wherever he went. Played and started winning competitions Pan India.*



## ***Achievements***

- *Won 'All Mumbai Instrumental Competition' – 2003-2004.*
- *Won 'All India Level Instrumental Competition' organized by 'AKHIL BHARATIYA SANSKRUTIK SANG (Pune) 2010 – 2011.*
- *Consistently securing the first place and winning praises at various college festivals like UMANG, MALHAAR, MOOD INDIGO and many more.*
- *Won the prestigious 'Patravadi Theatre' competition- Music Category.*  
*( Instrumental – Tabla) at Thailand.*
- *Secured 1<sup>st</sup> place in Instrumental category at Maharashtra Times Carnival.*
- *Secured 1<sup>st</sup> place in Instrumental category at Mumbai University Competition.*



***Rupak has been a part of every live performance with Ravi's fusion band, playing an integral role as a Tabla player and a co-band member including Ravi Iyer's released albums 'Bends' & 'Raga Punch' and many singles.***

- *An active member of 'The Ravi Iyer Guitar Fusion Trio', 'Strings Rhapsody' (Chirag Katti), 'Urja' (Chintan Katti).*
- *Featured in a television show viz; 'Smith & Jones Music Ka Tadka', with eminent artists like Sonu Nigam, Chintoo Bhosle, Tochi Raina, Shibani Kashyap etc. and also performed at Patravadi Festival (Thailand)*



*Krishnan Narayanan*

- *Krishnan Narayanan, a celebrated Mridangam artist hailing from India, embarked on his journey in the art form at the tender age of 7. Under the guidance of eminent Gurus, late Shri R. Ramanathan and the late Mridangam Vidwan Guru Trichy Raghava Iyer (younger brother of Alathur S. Srinivasa Iyer), Krishnan's passion for percussion blossomed and became his lifelong pursuit.*
- *For over four and half decades, Krishnan has been the backbone of numerous musical performances, providing impeccable support on the Mridangam to leading musicians across vocal, instrumental, dance, and fusion genres. His adaptability knows no bounds, seamlessly transitioning between various music ensembles and effortlessly blending into diverse musical landscapes.*



- *An avid music enthusiast, Krishnan's talent extends beyond the Mridangam. Proficient in playing various percussion instruments such as the Kanjira, Ghatam, and Morsing, he adds layers of depth and complexity to every performance. His supportive style not only enriches the concert but also resonates deeply with both the audience and fellow musicians.*
- *Krishnan's mastery over sound nuances enables him to create a rich tapestry of strokes, earning him a stellar reputation in the music industry. His repertoire boasts numerous compositions, accolades, certificates of merit, and a legacy of mentoring aspiring artists.*
- *Beyond his prowess as a performer, Krishnan is well-versed in music production. He has dedicated countless hours to refining his expertise in handling microphones, mixing boards, DAWs (Digital Audio Workstations), audio effects, synthesizers, and other essential music production tools.*



- *Krishnan Narayanan has been part of every fusion concert performed by Ravi Iyer and has been the strength behind the compositions, music production and plays an integral part of The Ravi Iyer Guitar Fusion Trio. His contribution to the band exceeds standard expectations of a co-band member.*
- *An extremely humble soul with a monstrous command on the Mridangam, currently, Krishnan resides in Mumbai, India, where he continues to inspire and uplift audiences worldwide with his transcendent musical talents and unwavering dedication to the art form.*



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