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### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

#### **International Society for Music Education.....2012 - Present**

- ISME Board Member and Chair of the Advocacy Standing Committee, 2020 - present
- Conference Convener, South Asia Regional Conference Colombo, Sri Lanka, 2021
- Scientific Committee Member, South Asia Regional Conference, Kathmandu, Nepal - 2019
- Conference Organising Team & Scientific Committee Member, South Asia Regional Conference, Bangalore, India - 2017
- Keynote Speaker, ISME Legacy Conference, Istanbul, Turkey, 2019
- Presentations on Advocacy made at the 2021 Regional Conferences: EAS, PASMAE, Latin-America, APSMER and South Asia Conferences - 2021
- Facilitated the first Music Education Symposium in Brazil in collaboration with Londrina Music Festival and ABEM -2021
- Paper presentations at Baku '19 and Helsinki '20 (*conference proceedings*)

#### **Harmony - The Music School, Bangalore, India.....2008 - Present**

- Founder and Director, Head of Vocal Studies, Curriculum Developer
- Artistic Director and Music Arranger for The Harmony Chorus. Planned and executed two international Concert Tours for The Harmony Chorus - UK (2019) and Russia (2018); Vocal Coach and Artistic Director for THC during their performance on Rising Star - a national level show on Indian television. Placed at India's Top 8.

#### **The Harmony International Music Foundation.....2011 - Present**

- Managing Trustee
- Organising Team and Artistic Director for Cadence (*mega fund raising music concerts*) 2011 - 2016  
Mega fund raising concerts for several charities across Bangalore city and internationally.

### EDUCATION:

Ph.D studies at UCL Institute of Education, U.K. (since 2021); M. Mus, Northwestern University, USA (2014); B. Mus, Centre for Music Education/The Bangalore Conservatory (2010).

### CERTIFICATES:

- Advanced Certificate, Estill Voice International, 2017
- Certificate of Figure Proficiency, Estill Voice International, 2016 & 2017

### RECOGNITION AND AWARDS:

- 150 Years of Women at Northwestern University (*catalysts and trailblazers*), 2019
- The Kanthula Foundation Award (*outstanding contribution to society*), December 2019
- Rotary Young Achievers' Award (Cultural Ambassador of Bangalore), December 2019
- Voice of Eminence, presented by YMCA, Chennai, 2016
- Diploma of Recognition (*for presenting international voice competition winners performing at Carnegie Hall*), 2013, '14, '15, '16, '17, '19, '20, '21.

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

International Society for Music Education (ISME), National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS), National Association for Music Education Estill Voice International (NAfME), International Arts Movement.

### INTERNATIONAL PERFORMANCES:

Vocal performances across the United States, Canada, Nigeria, Kenya, Russia, Sweden, England, Scotland, Ireland.