

Vidwan **Thanjavur K. Murugaboopathi** is one of the leading mridangam players of today. His technique and creativity in accompaniment, solo renditions, and collaborations have earned him critical acclaim around the globe. A disciple of vidwan Sri T.R. Srinivasan and mridangam maestro Sri Tanjore Upendran, he trained in the rare *gurukula* tradition (living with one's guru) for more than ten years. Sri Murugaboopathi is instrumental in providing support, direction, and guidance to several arts organizations and young artists in Asia, Europe, Australia, and North America. He has been honored with many awards, including the Best Artiste Award and Pazhani Subramanya Pillai Award (Music Academy, Chennai, India).