



Manasi Prasad has been pursuing Indian classical arts for over two decades. She is very well recognized among the new generation of classical musicians in India, and has received numerous awards.

In this unique performance she will be presenting a concert of devotional songs and classical vocal music from South India. Music lovers from all cultures will appreciate the ancient musical tradition brought alive by this young and vibrant performer. Manasi's explanations of the history and meaning of the music as well as her performance of its melodies and rhythms will leave you with a deep appreciation for the music of India.

We take immense pleasure in inviting you to a Musical Concert by

Vidushi MANASI PRASAD

To benefit the **Bapagrama Educational Center** in India



Date : Saturday, September 13, 2008
Time : 7-9 pm
Venue : Northampton Community Music Center
139 South St. Northampton, MA
Website : www.ncmc.net
Ticket Info : \$15, \$8 seniors/students, children under 10 FREE



Date : Sunday, September 14, 2008
Time : 6:30 pm
Venue : Hooker-Dunham Theater
139 Main St. Brattleboro, VT
Website : www.hookerdunham.org
Ticket Info : \$15, \$8 seniors/students, children under 10 FREE

Date : Monday, September 15, 2008
Time : 7:30 pm
Venue : Lantern Room, Young Student Center,
Keene State College
Main St. Keene, NH
Website : www.keene.edu
Ticket Info : College sponsored event, Donations accepted.

This benefit concert is to raise money for **Bapagrama School** located in Bangalore, India whose mission is to educate children living in poverty, who otherwise could not afford to attend school. All the funds raised will go towards much needed renovations of facilities.

At **Mahatma Gandhi's** urging, the school was started in 1949 by Saraswathi Natarajan. The school has a long tradition of social service and community organizing. Named after Thakkar Bapa, a co-worker of Gandhi, who believed in equality of all people and was against the caste system, the school is co-educational, anti-caste and secular.

The school is free and it is one of the few schools that provide this community of children the chance to study beyond elementary level.

Organized by **Educational Praxis**, a non-profit organization based in Putney, VT.

