

# Melodia

*A Musical Odyssey*



*A concert to raise funds for  
persons with disabilities  
featuring  
Daniella Guia Rebelo &  
Avinash Mario Grubb*



*Integrated Rural Community Development Society (IRCDS) is a non-governmental organization (NGO) that works with persons from socially excluded and marginalized communities. While touching the lives of the poor in rural areas in multiple ways, it also works with persons with disabilities focusing on their Education, Health, Livelihood, Social Inclusion and Empowerment.*

*David, aged 51, moves around his village confidently, reaching out to help persons with disabilities like him. But it wasn't always so. He was born with 80% disability and grew up believing that he could do nothing as he crawled around the village in the dust.*

*His association with IRCDS changed his life completely. In 2015, he purchased two goats and a cow through a programme of IRCDS. Today he is the proud owner of 3 cows that yield 18 litres of milk a day bringing in an income of Rs. 13,000 a month. Over the last six years he sold 14 goats and used the money to educate his three children. With the balance, he purchased more livestock. He is proud to show off the 4 goats he has today. He was even confident enough to become a site supervisor for MGNREGA which brings in an additional income of Rs. 7,000.*

*David says "Through training and exposure visits I gained knowledge and improved my public speaking skills. I gained confidence and, being a leader of the SHG, I am supporting 11 persons with disabilities. I am motivating other members to become contributors to their family and society. Like me many people have skills; if they get the right opportunity, they can come up in life."*



**YOU too can make a difference in the lives of children and adults with disability.**

*Daniella Guia Rebelo brings to you – **Melodia – a musical odyssey** – with the aim of raising funds to support IRCDS' work with persons with disability. The repertoire consists of pieces from 12 different countries which she will either sing or play on the violin, piano, flute, ukulele or Celtic whistle. Accompanying her on the piano is Avinash Mario Grubb, a brilliant organist & conductor at St. Mark's Cathedral, Bangalore.*

## Daniella Guia Rebelo

*Daniella Guia Rebelo's love for music began early on and there has been no stopping her ever since! Her first solo performance at a competition was at the tender age of 4.*

*Over the years, her passion for singing increased in leaps and bounds with a strong leaning towards Western Classical repertoire. Daniella went on to win laurels for herself at both National and International levels. Apart from being a soprano soloist, she enjoys singing in choirs.*

*All of 16 today, we see a talented musician in her as, besides singing, her passion has led her to take on learning to play the violin, piano & concert flute too. She is currently pursuing the graded exams of the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music and Trinity College, London in all of these. Needless to say, she aspires to make music her career.*



## Avinash Mario Grubb

*Avinash Mario Grubb is an Audiologist by profession. He currently works with Sonova Hearing India – which makes hearing aids for hard of hearing Individuals. The demands of his profession and hectic travel schedules leave him little leisure to indulge in his great love for classical and contemporary music. That he manages to make time against all odds, is because, for Avinash, music is not just a pastime but his passion.*

*Avinash started learning the piano at the age of five under his mother's expert tutelage and went on to complete the graded piano exams of both the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music and Trinity College, London. He was barely 15 when he obtained a diploma in Piano Performance from the Trinity College of Music, London.*

*He has served on the faculty of The Bangalore School of Music, teaching piano and electronic keyboard. He has also performed with numerous visiting international artistes.*

*From 1999 to 2001, Avinash had the privilege of studying the pipe organ under the late Prof. David Sebastian, subsequently achieving a significant level of expertise of the instrument. He has been an organist at St. Mark's Cathedral, Bangalore for the past two decades and was recently appointed Choir Conductor.*



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