

"Rainbow of Ragas"

Prabashi Association of Greater Portland

Proudly presents on Friday September 14, 2007

Pandit Ajoy Chakrabarty

Venue:

OHSU Auditorium
Marquam Hill Campus
3181SW Sam Jackson Park Rd
Portland, OR 97239

Time: 7:30 PM



Tickets:

Adult - \$15

(Children below 12 - FREE)

Prabashi Members - \$10

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One of the finest vocalists of India

Pandit Ajoy Chakrabarty is considered to be one of the finest Indian vocalists. He is a veritable trendsetter, demonstrating an amazing mastery over diverse forms of classical, light-classical and even modern vocal music. He learnt from Pannalal Samanta and Kanai Das Bairagi and later became a student of Padma Bhushan Pandit Jnan Prokash Ghosh. In 1969, he became a disciple of **Ustad Munawar Ali Khan**, son of the legendary maestro **Ustad Bade Ghulam Ali Khan** of the Patiala-Kasur gharana (school), His imagination and sensitivity to lyrics, coupled with his uncanny sense of rhythm, has made him the authentic exponent of the famous Patiala gaikee (style of singing). He earned numerous awards for his outstanding performances e.g. he is the first recipient of "Kumar Gandharva" award for the best musician below 45, he received "President's award for the best male playback singer in 1990", he is the first Fellow to receive a Gold Medal from the "Sangeet Research Academy" (SRA).. and many more. Since his twenties, Pandit Ajoy Chakrabarty has been spanning the cultural gulf between India and the West through his extensive musical tours in Europe and America, attempting to transmute Indian vocal classical music in a universal idiom of feeling. He has demonstrated a remarkable ability to communicate the true spirit of his music to his many devoted students all over the world. His contribution to Indian Classical music is unparalleled in modern times. Listening to this maestro is an experience for lifetime.

Reviews:

- "He has become the principal transmitter of the style of Bade Ghulam Ali Khan" —*The Boston Globe*
- "Ajoy Chakrabarty is something of miracle of natural gifts and tireless self-culture" —*The Hindu*
- "What is perhaps most impressive about the work of Indian masters such as Ajoy Chakrabarty is its seamless blend of austere tradition and bustling improvisation" —*The Washington Post*
- On the celebration of the Golden Jubilee of India's Independence at Carnegie Hall "Ajoy Chakrabarty held a rare summit meeting." — *The New York Times*

Tickets Availability:

- Subhasis Deb (503-617-9363) ● **APNA BAZAAR** Indian Groceries at Beaverton (Cornell Rd and 173rd Ave. xing)
- Online at: <http://www.indogram.com/?centerpiece=ev-110908&city=pdx> (** No Service charge at indogram)

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