





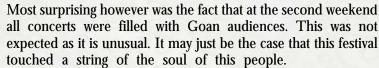
## Repositioning of Goa's Culture through Music



Rehearsals at the University...

The 10 days Ketevan Music Festival just came to an end as we still relish in the glory of this magnificent experience. I think everyone was touched in some or the other way by the music, the people, the sites, the atmosphere... whatever. Some of the associates and musicians mentioned it was a life transforming experience, more than the ordinary.

Utsav Lal the piano prodigy with his immense International experience said, he would come next time again, even as visitor, no matter if he performs or not - such was the impact of the experience. Similar comments we heard from Debashish Bhattacharya, Rakesh Chourasia and more so from the musicians from Europe.



Something had come alive, the press published some 50 articles on the festival, unheard in the realms of classical music in India.

We do hope that this experience can be replicated in years to come - similar, however not the same. With new places, formation, people, musicians, motto and an opening up to a greater dimension which fits into this present time of history and geography, we will now look beyond the moment as a still image and gauge of what is yet to come.



Rudolf Ludwig Kammermeier Executive Director



Preparations at the St Augustine Ruins with the Choir...



Sopranos and Altos ... before the concert



St Josef Vaz Retreat house. Temporary home for musicians during the festival



# Opening concert with Cappella della Luce & Goa University Choir

CAPPELLA DELLA LUCE ENSEMBLE: Sophie Harr Violin Rocio dos Frutos / Soprano Pablo Tarve Viola Miguel Angel Hernandez / Contratenor Jose Luis Tarin Cello Francisco Diaz Carillo / Tenor Jose A. Rueda Bassoon Ensemble: Ignacio Lusardi Vihuela **David Arnoriaga Percussion** Leo Rossi Concertmaster Harpsichord Jana Lalovic Flute Chano Robles Conductor: Jose Luis Gonzales Oboe

Santiago Lusardi Girelli

Solois tof Goa University Choir: Sonia Shirsat in Missa Criolla





#### CAPELLA DELLA LUCE

This group was born in Seville with the objective of staging repertoires from the corpus of the Colonial Archives of America, Africa and Asia. Their commitment to these repertoires is to combine research, interpretation and collaboration in an asset recovery project. It's members come from such prestigious musical institutions such as the Royal Chapel of Catalonia, La OBS, Music Ficta and Baroque Choir of Andalusia.

This curious stylistic meeting of diverse musicians gives a rich and colourful repertoire. Great masters of colonial baroque as Gaspar Fernandez, Juan de Araujo, Thomas Torrejon y newly restored Chapel of St. Monica Velasco come to new life again in new and unique interpretations



## Rocio de Frutos, Shepardic Music & Ketevan Confluences



#### KETEVAN CONFLUENCES

Oratorio on the life of Queen Ketevan

Dancer - Queen Ketevan (Joanne de Souza)

Ensemble:

Leo Rossi (violin), Jose Arenio Rueda (Bassoon), Pablo Trave (Viola), Ignacio Monteverde (Vihuela), David Ruiz (Percussion), Chano Robles (Piano), Daniel Parejo (Oud), Ian de Souza (bass), Santosh Naidu (tabla)

Invocationes
Georgia/Georgian Invocation
I offer you peace / Goa University Choir
O Euchari in Leta Via / Hildegard von Bingen
Byzantine Atmospheres

#### ROCIO DE FRUTOS

Soprano

Spanish soprano Rocio de Frutos combines her soloist career with her participation in several chamber orchestras such as Capella Reial de Catalunya, Musica Ficta, Choeur de Chambre de Namur, Grande Capella, Voces de Al Ayre Espanol and others

#### LEO ROSSI

Concertmaster, Violin

Born in Argentina Rossi began his musical studies in Buenos Aires. later he moved to Spain and obtained the title Superior Grade Violin. In Holland he studied at the conservatory in The Hague with Elisabeth Wallfish, graduating in Baroque violin. He is a member of the Baroque orchestra of Seville and has worked with groups like European Baroque Orchestra , Amsterdam Baroque orchestra, performing in the most prestigious concert halls in Europe, America

Iran Middle East
Iran Intonation
Jail - Martyrium
Ritual Fire Dance / The Death of Ketevan

The Ruins - India/Old Goa
Sabe Deus/ Sonia Shisat
Crossing the dark Arabian Ocean/ Ambient
Sepulturae / Hildegard von Bingen
Healing Light / Goa University Choir





### **Ketevan Confluences**

Rocio - de Frutos - Daniel Parejo - David Ruiz - Ignacio Monteverde - Pablo Trave



The Al-Andalus programme presented here at the festival features songs and melodies of this period and the culture of the Mediterranean. Shepardic music has its roots in the musical traditions of the Jewish communities in medieval Spain and Portugal.

The Shepardic communities share many of the lyrics and poems, though with the passing of centuries a lot of the original melodies have been lost.



SHEPARDIC & JEWISH MUSIC

ROCIO DE FRUTOS AND MEDITERRANEAN ARTISTS The Shepardic Jewish musical traditions in Europe are inspired by a large body of works and songs for centuries. The Al Andalus period until 1492 features significant development in many areas of science and art. They inspire love and faith and also stand out for their simplicity and clear melodic lines.





PANDIT DEBASHISH BHATTACHARYA SLIDE GUITAR.

Bhattacharya is a global inspiration in the contemporary musical scenario. From the age of four a child's fancy with a Hawaiian guitar evolves into creating patented guitars and unique playing style that has been mesmerizing audiences and artists world over for decades now.

### Seville Chamber Choir

**PROGRAMME** 

### BACH'S WORLD

Choir
Herr Christ, der einge Gottessohn
BWV 96

Recitative
So wie es Gott mit dir
Soprano / BWV 197

Aria Vergnügen und Lust Soprano and Violin / BWV 197

Aria
O Ewigkeit, du Donnerwort
Duo - Alto and Tenor / BWV 60

 $\begin{array}{c} \textit{Choir} \\ \text{Ihr seid die Gesegneten des Herrn} \\ \text{BWV 196} \end{array}$ 

Violin Solo & Recorder Solo

Recitativo

Dein Sachsen, dein bestürztes Meißen
Soprano / BWV 198









Aria
Blute nur, du liebes Herz
Soprano / BWV 244

Choir Ich harre des Herrn BWV 131

Aria
Erbarme dich, mein Gott
Alto and Violin / BWV 244

Choral
Wenn ich einmal soll scheiden
BWV 244

Aria & Choir
Ich will meinem Jesu
Tenor & Choir/BWV 244

Aria Choir

Mein Jesu gute Nacht

Soloists and Choir/ BWV 244

Choir
Oh, Menschenkind
BWV 198

# Goa University

### 1st Musicology Symposium at Sanskruti Bhavan

### TUESDAY 16TH WESTERN MUSIC IN INDIA/GOA I

> Opening Conference / 30 minutes.

Mtro Santiago Lusardi Girelli

University of Goa / Western Music Chair.

Paper: Frontiers of the musical-artistic dialogue between western tradition and world

music

> Goan Sacred Vocal Music at Seminaries / 40 minutes.

Sebanti Chatterjee

PhD Candidate University of Delhi, Delhi School of Economics.

Paper: Understanding the emergence of Goan Sacred Music: Role of Rachol Seminary.

> Conference. Goan and Mando Music. / 45 minutes.

Susana Sardo (Portugal)

University of Averio / INET-md, Portugal.

Paper: Goean Pautôch: The poetics of music in the politics of Goanity.

> Short Round Table with Lecturers / Symposium Themes. / 30 minutes. Susana / Sebanti / Santiago / Father Loyola.

Themes to develop: What has been done? / What should be done? / How to do it?

# WEDNESDAY 17TH INDIAN and WORLD MUSIC / SYNCRETIC MOVEMENTS

> Opening Conference II / 30 minutes.

Mtro Santiago Lusardi Girelli

Syncretic Music: Africa and América.

Frontiers of the musical-artistic dialogue between western tradition and world music II.

> Indian Music / 45 minutes.

Paolo Pacciolla

Vicenza Conservatory / Italy

> Anthony Gonsalves Documentary / Goa University. / 30 minutes. Anthony Gonsalves Daughter. Movie by Anthony Gonsalves. 45 minutes. > Jewish and Shepardic Music / 45 minutes.

Daniel Parejo

University of Seville / Spain Paper: Shepardic and Jewish

Round Table:

SYNCRETIC MUSICAL MOVEMENTS.

Colonial Music / Jewish and Sephardic / Indian / Gregorian Classical Music and

Classical Music: 30 minutes.

Participants: Daniel Parejo / Paollo Pacciolla / Santiago Lusardi / Fth. Peter Cardoso.

Themes to develop: Syncretism. Topics.

#### THURSDAY 18TH WESTERN MUSIC IN INDIA/GOA II

> Introduction Conference / 15 minutes.

Frontiers of the musical-artistic dialogue between western tradition and world

music III

Mtro Santiago Lusardi Girelli

 $\,>\,$  Conference: Epic Poem on the life of Jesus: Christa Purana / 60 minutes. Father Glen D´Silva

> Piano Music in Mumbai. / 30 minutes.

Hannah Marsden

PhD Candidate from Royal Holloway University of London.

Paper title: "For the people and of the people? A symphony orchestra in Bombay."

> Marialena Fernandes / University of Vienna (Austria)

Paper: Mando

 $\,>\,$  Round Table I - GOAN SACRED TRADITIONS & WORLD MUSIC TRADITIONS. All lectures of day 1 and 2 / 30 minutes.

- 1. Prof. Santiago Lusardi
- 2. Sebanti Chatterjee
- 3. Paolo Pacciola
- 4. Daniel Parejo
- 5. Closing Cocktail. / 30 minutes.



### Paolo Pacciolla

Paolo Pacciolla, pianist, percussionist and ethnomusicologist. Teaches 'Ethnomusicology' at the Corso di Musiche Extraeuropee of the Conservatorio di Musica of Vicenza.

Since 1995, soon after obtaining his degree in Pedagogy and diploma of Pianoforte, he has been spending long periods in India to study Indian classical music. In 1996, he received a scholarship from the I.C.C.R. (Indian Council for Cultural Relations) to continue his studies and researches in New Delhi. He specialized in the pakhawaj, drum of Hindustani classical music, in New Delhi, under the guide of Guru Ram Kishore Das.

He deepened the study of the daire and the tombak, drums of Persian classical music, and developed his own original language which he calls the 'Singing Drum'. He taught (2003-2006) 'Indian and Persian Drumming' within the three-year Course of Folk Music at the Conservatorio di Musica Tito Schipa di Lecce.

Member of the Italian Association for Sanskrit Studies, he is the author of the monographs 'Il pensare musicale indiano' (Besa, 2005) and, together with Luisa Spagna, of 'La gioia e il potere. Musica e danza in India' (Besa, 2008). He also wrote several articles and essays on music published on specialized magazines.

With the dancer Luisa Spagna, with whom he founded the cultural association Sutra Arti Performative, presents original productions and performances based on classical repertoire of India in festival in Italy and abroad





### Marialena Fernandes

#### Programme

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Ludwig van Beethoven Sonata No 8, op 13 in c-minor, "Pathetique"

Robert Schumann Kinderszenen

Franz Lizst Waldesrauschen - Theme and Variations on a Caprice by N.Paganini.



#### MARIALENA FERNANDES

2015 "Search for Passion" Project in South India, Goa, Bangalore, Mangalore with the international Folk Group Hotel Palindrone. Musical communication in form of workshops and sport with socially neglected youth.

2014 Massachussets Institute of Technology (MIT) Symposium on "Reconstructing Beethoven Improvisations". Improvisor. 2013 Doctor of Philosophy (PhD).

2010 Research Sabbatical as Faculty member as well as Scholar at the University of Illinois Urbana Champaign USA.

 $2008\,MIA\,Award\,for\,successful\,women\,with\,international\,background\,by\,the\,Austrian\,Ministry\,in\,the\,field\,of\,Art\,and\,Culture.$ 

Since 1991 Professor at the University of Music and Performing Arts in Vienna.

1988-2006 Professor of Piano and Chamber Music at the Joseph Haydn Conservatory in Eisenstadt.

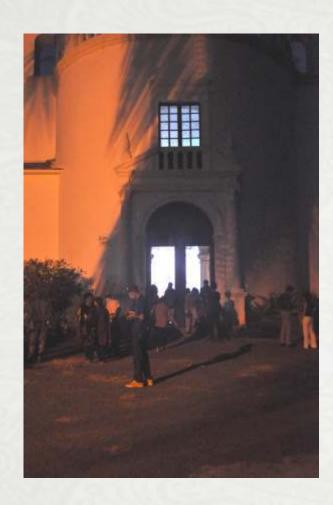
1988 Master of Art Education (Magister artium).

1975 Diploma in Piano and Chamber Music Performance with unanimous distinctions.

Artistic Director and International Program Curator in crossover and experimental projects, in which Fernandes incorporates classical, jazz and world music fusions with an emphasis on Improvisation. Intercultural exchange between students, teachers and audiences. Since 2007 Series Cycle "Uno, Due, Tre" in Musikverein Vienna.

# Ketevan Vocal Ensemble & Seville Chamber Choir







St Anthony Chapel

#### Seville Chamber Choir

The group was born in Seville in 2010 under the baton of Argentinian/Italian conductor Santiago Lusardi Girelli. The choir is formed by musicians and professional and amateur singers from Spain, Argentina, Italy, Germany, Austria, Australia and Hungary. It had 40 performances with historical music programs at renowned historical art spaces. The group runs a cycle of cantatas of J.S. Bach, which has received rave reviews since its inception. During these years it has presented the St. Matthew Passion, the Brahms German Requiem, the Faure Requiem and cantatas, masses and choral works



# Ignacio Monteverde & Flamenco Ensemble





# Rakesh Chaurasia





# Utsav Lal





BOMBAY CHAMBER ORCHESTRA & GOA UNIVERSITY CHOIR

Conductor: Mtro. Santiago Lusardi Girelli

Programme:

- 1) Cantus Lacrimosus
- 2) Armed Man
- 3) Farewell
- 4) Vidit Jesum in Tormentis
- 5) Mother did weep

Interlude1: Lullaby for Strings / G.Gershwin
Interlude2: 2 Gymnopedies/E.Satie, C. Debussy
Interlude3: Pavane pour enfant Defunte/ M.Ravel

- 6) Sanctus
- 7) The Dove
- 8) Agnus Dei
- 9) Pie Jesu

from: Stabat Mater - Armed Man - Requiem / K. Jenkins



Great to hear from you. Ketavan was an incredible experience. Everything from the line up for artists to the amazing venues chosen made it one of the most memorable festivals I've ever had the chance to attend. I think the most special thing about it was that there was a really great vibe amongst the artists and organisers and everything felt like it was being done at a very personal level. It didn't feel like musicians came in to play their slot and went back to the hotel etc. There was a great cross-communication of ideas, new projects between all the musicians and artists and I think this is what makes a festival stand out. I was only there for two and a half days and now wish I had been able to attend the whole festival. It was also wonderful that most of the organisers Rudolf and Santiago and the rest of the team were not only interested in music but musicians themselves immersing themselves in every programme on offer. I hope to see this festival continue on and flourish for many years. I think the sold-out crowds for every performance speaks for how much of a success the festival was.

Utsav L. Musician

What a splendid, beautiful and inspiring weekend infused with your passions. How important it is to believe in the universal language that is 'music'

Our only regret is not have been able to join you Wednesday evening (with Marialena and the THREE X)

We wish you great courage with your continuing adventure Thank you Sheila Tripari



This is remarkable!
Many many Congratulations I have praised it to the hilt at the venues
Where I have given out the brochures down
here...

And shall continue to do so, And make major efforts to come often! With every good wish,

Charlotte. Hotel owner, US

Dear Rudolf,

Thank you for the invitation extended to Mariola and me to witness the Ketevan music festival at Old Goa. Indeed it was exceptional and we along with some of our friends enjoyed ourselves thoroughly on the days we attended the same.

The performance put up by all the artists was brilliant. But the direction of the Artistic Director, Santiago Lusardi Girelli and the Soparano Solista, Rocío De Frutos were phenomenal!!!

The efforts put by you and your team along with Goa University was outstanding. You can be rest assured that you can count on my support for this beautiful cause every year. Best wishes to you and your team members. Warm regards.

J.M. Goan Businessman

Dear Santiago Lusardi, Lots of musical greetingsfrom Ontario, Hamilton, Canada !!!!

Music and humanity conquers the barrier of geography, race , caste , creed, religion. We all bask in the glory of the wonderful truth that brings relief a disturbed soul. The soul which is never destroyed and changes from one form to another. I believe in the truth of incarnation and rebirth. Your music and life is the healing touch to my desperately breathing soul with love passion. You are already continue to be one of the finest and talented International musicologist with noble heart and a dynamic world spiritual leader of conventional Classical Choir Music. I have been mesmerized true and heartfelt presentation on yr website of J S Bach by Seville Choir and Baroque Ensemble " Matthaus Passion BWV 244 and Cantata BWV 104 " to name a very few of your vast house of immortal gospel music. The tunes and lyrics cleanse my ruptured soul and mind and pump in real values to conquer my battle with dreaded disease. They are very touchy to the heart. I lost my parents when I was 2.I am alone in this World literally but not when I magical touch when listening to yr immortal melody. i need ur polite attention.

I wish i was able to attend the Ketevan Music Festival in Goa starting Feb 12, 2016...the theme



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### The story of Queen Ketevan and the Augustine ruins Even as the Ketevan World Sacred Music Festival is set to unfold at the

St Augustine Ruins and the St Monica Church in Old Gos on February 12, N TAHER, superintending archaeologist ASI, writes about how Queen Ketevan's bone retics were found at the St Augustine Rums and why the forthcoming event has been named after her

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### The life and times of Queen Ketevan

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The Goa University Choir and Ensemble (Europe, India, America) regales audiences on Saturday at the first, Ketevan World Sacred Music Festival in Old Goa on Saturday, Feb 13 evening.





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### Musicology Symposium and Social Project at the Festival

A three day Musicology Symposium accompanied the music performances during the Festival week. Symposiums as are often integral parts of festivals particularly when held outside Europe as research is mostly in its infant stages. It then provides an opportunity to initiate musical research and historical documentation. So it was no difference in the case of Goa. Fr Loiola mentioned the fact that there has been no serious research to document music in Goa in the 17th and 18th century. This needs to change and this could be the beginning.

The Symposium also saw a number of very interesting contributions from Prof. Susana Sardo head of Ethnomusicology Department University of Aveiro, Portugal, she presented her documentary "sons de Goa" (sounds of Goa), while Prof. Marialena Fernandes from University of Vienna spoke about her PhD topic, Konkanni music of Mandos and Dulpods, and its influences by the 451 years of Portuguese rule in Goa.

Two Goan priests had interesting contributions, one Fr Glen da Silva who rendered the poetic text of Christa Purana with students in his unique Hindu traditional style, and Fr Peter Cardoso: director of Music Academy Pilar Seminary spoke on comparison between Indian classic and Gregorian music, which may have many similarities as they are both based on religious texts. Sebanti Chatterjee joined with her Thesis on Goan choirs. Contributions from Spain and Italy added up.

Part of the Social Project was the offering of performances at:

- 1)Lourdes Convent in Saligao; 2) St Xaviers Vidyala in Korgao
- 3) Asha Mahal Taleigao / home for the Destitutes and 4) Santa Cruz school.

The Santa Cruz Church was full of children. The Ketevan ensemble played Bach and a Mozart Divertimento "we are indeed lucky to have these accomplished musicians visiting us to perform here. This is such a big inspiration for our children" teacher Bernadette Diniz remarked.





Dear Rudolf,

Thank you for the opportunity that you have provided us to add a little more light and for bringing us to a place where the opportunities and possibilities seem limitless.

We have a idea before us, to allow those still in the dark an opportunity to see similar possibilities, by carving new roads, while growing and branching ourselves in many directions. To accomplish that, we should take wise steps with choosing our friends. In building a visionary model we should

In building a visionary model we should explore the possibility of not only how music and art add life to the place, but also to the economy and cultural-exchange in the long term.

Historically Goa has always promoted a universal culture of co-existence and community.

This team could take the lead in re-exploring all dormant avenues that will bring back life into this once harmonious community. There could not be a better opportune moment of providence than through the most wonderful experience of The Ketevan World Sacred Music Festival.

The experience has helped me grow in many ways. It will be my honour to serve, give back and work towards building this visionary model.

Grateful to you always.

Jocel d'S. Volunteer





Lieber Rudolf,

die Zeiten, in denen ich mich in Deutschland zum "Kulturfasten" nach Goa verabschiedete, scheinen endgültig der Vergangenheit anzugehören. Allen Beteiligten ein ganz großes Dankeschön! Es war super! Ich bewundere ohne jede Einschränkung, was Ihr da auf die Beine gestellt habt und freue mich auf nächstes Jahr - hoffe, daß der Zeitpunkt bald bekanntgegeben wird, damit ich planen kann.

Du hast das gestern Abend sehr gut ausgedrückt, indem Du auf Euer sehr anspruchsvolles Programm anspieltest. Glaubt Ihr denn, daß Ihr dafür auf Dauer in Goa genügend verständiges und treues Publikum finden werdet? Jetzt ist alles neu und jeder will mal hören und sehen, was die da so machen. Oder wollt Ihr es auf eine Internationale Ebene speziell für Liebhaber sakraler Musik heben?

Gunhild P. annual tourist to Goa

Dear Rudolf.

the times when I say Good Bye to Germany and begin my time in Goa as my "cultural fasting period" are now definitely a thing of the past.

All members and participants of the festival a great "Thank You"! It was superb.

Without restriction I admire what you guys have put together and I am looking forward for next year's edition. I do hope you can announce the schedule very soon so that I can plan my visit to Goa.

You have said it very well in your speech last night, when you mentioned the high level of the music being offered. Do you think you can find an audience that can appreciate this level on a long run? Now everything is new and everyone wants to come and see.

Or do you want to lift the festival on a International scale particularly for admirers of sacred music?

Gunhild P. annual tourist to Goa (translation)



Dear Rudolf

Back in Paris since a week and

memories of Goa start to fade.

Definitely the highlight was the

fabulous sacred music festival you

gave birth to, thanks so much - I

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acquaintances like it as well.

fm Secretary President of IBM

Please keep going -

Monika .H.

# An Utsav of Ragas on the piano

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# Medieval texts, new music, Old Goa

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the Church of Santa Monica hadn't seen so many people in years. Then, the Ketevan music festival came along. The church, recently renovated and all decked up in white, had hardly an empty seat on Sunday evening, when the Goa University choir lined up to present a programme of sacred works by Karl Jenkins.

Almost 400 years old, the Church has no ventilation and the hundreds present meant that temperatures soared much before voices did. But not to worry - the programme sheet, printed on thick paper, served its purpose well as a hand fan. They waved throughout the church, efficiently keeping away the heat and the

But all these were minor distractions when the Goa University choir began to sing. Over 40 member-strong and accompanied by the formidable Bombay Chamber Orchestra, it hit its stride right away. with the familiar 'Cantus Lacrimosus' from 'Stabat Mater'. rooted in a 13° century Catholic poem about the suffering of the Blessed Mother at the crucifixion of her son. There exist myriad compositions under this title, but the Welsh composer's is unique, as it feeds liberally from the musical and literary cornucopta of the

The concert was curiously structured - it had pieces from 'Stabat Mater', 'The Armed Man', The Pencemaker' and 'Requiem' (all Jenkins'). but not in any fixed order. Perhaps there was some logic to

this, but it wasn't explained. The choir juggled through the programme seamlessly Conductor Santiago Lusardi Girelli, also artistic



The Goa University choir performs at the St Monica Church during the last day of the Ketevan music festival in Old Goa

director of the Ketevan festival, was in top form, and the choir responded well to his direction. For all its diversity (there's not much 'Goa University' there apart from the name), the choir is a very cohesive unit. The mutual respect and excellent rapport Girelli and his singers share are obvious to any spectator. Apart from the choir's togetherness, clarity pronunciation, and controlled dynamics, the repertoire also highlighted the singers' ability to put real meaning and emphasis into these centuries-old sacred texts, set to emotionally-charged music, in ancient languages.

The Jenkins choral chain (nine tracks in all) was broken by two orchestral pieces (Gershwin and Debussy) by the BCO. The choir was soon back, refreshed, for a four-piece set, ably tackling 'Sanctus' and Agnus Der from The Armed Man'. An anti-war mass, The Armed Man', in its entirety, has texts from various religious texts, including the Mahabharata (in Torches', not

part of the concern Highlights of the concert

would be too many to list, but 'Cantus Lacrimosus', 'And the mother did weep' and 'Sanctus' stood out. The choir was not only good to listen to - it put efforts into its visual presentation as well: the singers looked imposing clad in elegant light-colored outfits created for the Ketevan festival by designer Syne Coutinho

Of course, like any other concert, there were a few glitches. The choir seemed to go slightly off at times, and the start of one piece was quite awry too. Thankfully, these low points were quite neeligible, and, importantly, were rectified quickly.

When the concert ended (with 'Pie Jesu') and all was done, the crowd rose to their feet, some in appreciation of the music and the musicians. but most to quickly get out of the Church to get to the next

A little later at the ruins of St Augustine across the street. Utsav Lal played a stunning set of rang-based music on a grand piano, bringing curtains down on the Ketevan mu-Sicfestival.

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>Development of sacred music: The Ketevan World Sacred Music Festival in collaboration with the Goa University has jointly organised a three-day, lecture series about the development of sacred music across the world and in India. Eminent musicians and scholars from across the world will present their views at this threeday event which will take place at the Central Library in Panaji till February 18 between 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. The sessions are open to all. On February 17 'Indian and World Music/ Syncretic Movements, 'Indian Music,' 'Jewish and Sephardic Music' and on February 18 'Western Music In India/Goa,' conference: Epic Poem on the life of Jesus: Christa Purana, 'Piano Music in Mumbai, 'For the people and of the people? A symphony orchestra in Bombay.' For details call on +91 98220 22283.

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Rakesh Chaurasia has taken up the voke of carrying forward the tradition of his uncle maestro Hariprasad Chaurasia. Currently in Goa to perform at the Ketevan

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#### **MESSAGE**

We are glad to welcome you to the first edition of the Ketevan World Sacred Music Festival. To understand the ideas of the festival we need to explore the concept of co-existence. It has inspired a web of activities in several areas: artistic/ musical/ educational/ adademic/social. Since the beginning we understood that to co-exist means much more than accepting the presence of someone else. It implies every tug of existence.

Our proposal is to create a space where art can boost an experience of human co-existence. In the creation of this project three concepts have inspired our festival: Beauty, Truth and Goodness. These three ideas have co-existed since the beginning of timewithin monastic communities, a peaceful and inspiring coexistence. These transcendental ideas are like three faces of the same reality and none of them can exist without the other. They boost the complex web of human existence.

Santiago Lusardi Girelli Artistic Director





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### **MESSAGE**

Finally, after a long journey we have arrived bringing back a monument to life. It is a dream we shared not only among ourselves, the Goa University Choir members, but one of the Church, the Archaeological Survey (ASI) and surely the people of Goa as well.

Heritage conservation has meaning only when you allow the public to engage and benefit from it. Goa, with its wonderful structures from the past is an ideal location with many tourists and foreign visitors landing here, to practice such an idea and realize its potential. It becomes a benefit for all

The GU Choir is the cradle of this newly awakened hope for cultural and artistic development in the state and even beyond. The University Chair for Western Music has given us the much needed energy, quality and the professionalism to live up to higher expectations and challenges.

We, the members are extremely proud to be associated with the dynamism of this new spirit. I am grateful to all the major players and organisations who contributed to make such a project 'extraordinaire' a reality.

Rudolf Ludwig Kammermeier





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