

### **Youtube Comments:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=In2oGtVIK9M>

 **A** Atul Parekh

Wonderful to see such talented people coming together for such a meaningful purpose – thank you

 **P** Patrick Swanson

Thank you Classical Movements for this heartfelt initiative? our thoughts and prayers are with all in India during these difficult times.


 **b** bvempati

Simply love it. Thank you Neeta & Classical movements


 **A** Anjula Gujral


This is truly so awesome! Thanks to all the artists and "Classical Movements" for bringing this to us.


 **R** Rajat Pandhi  
Awesome talent

 **N** Nirupama Rao  
Rohan Ramanan expressed it so beautifully with his words of solidarity.

 **P** Pantulu N.L.B  
the tunes are fantastic and rejuvenating the energy. great efforts.

 **N** Nirupama Rao  
Loved Neeta's words of love for India and Dilshad and Jason too. Vijay V. you were magnificent.

 **N** Neeta Helms  
yes Nirupama and he is so proud of his connections to the South Asian Symphony Orchestra. You should be proud of what you started, tough as it is sometimes.

 **N** Nirupama Rao  
So happy to see musicians who have been a vital part of The South Asian Symphony Orchestra featured on this program. We will meet and play again in the not too distant future.



 RITU OBER

Oh music is a universal language...and this is simply beautiful...thx Neeta for bringing it forward and at this time ...when we all need an upliftment of our spirit s...

 Dilshad Posnock

That would be wonderful, Nirupama. Thank you!



Nirupama Rao

Neeta, you have been a vital part of this initiative from get go.

 ranju seth

Beautiful Neeta ... Thankyou



Krishnagopal Gaur

Thanks everyone for your wishes



Ann Potteiger

Simply beautiful and inspiring music

 Anita Banerji

Thank you Neeta. Nothing heals like music.



brajesh patro

dukhi tune mat bajao behen

 Susheila Mani

Good luck to your grandma in Bangalore, Rohan. I'm sure this will cheer her up.

 dewaker8

Great gesture



brajesh patro

hi nirupama mam....stay safe.



Jack parsons

Lovely piano duet! May India and its people heal soon!


 Marion Kennedy




So much beautiful music in such troubling times. Thank you all for this wonderful concert and for raising awareness to what is going on in India right now.


 GossJenn  
Neeta, this is wonderful!


 Jack parsons  
I love the Western and Indian musical influences!


 Neeta Helms  
everyone do share widely. I want our countrymen to be proud, even at a moment like this when the Covid crisis has things almost out of control.


 ranju seth  
Soulful

 Yamuna Subramanian  
very soul searching performance


 Nirupama Rao  
India needs to heal. This music is like balm for our troubled soul.

 ushi kak  
So moving


 Amy P  
Gorgeous music--may it help turn tragedy to healing

 Ramesh R  
Great initiative and effort by Classical Movements and Neeta. Music brings comfort in these testing times.


 GossJenn  
i'm wondering which orchestra played with Vijay Venkatesh. The conductor is Jeffrey Kahane. USC Orchestra?

 shikha mital  
Amazing dear Neeta. Thanks for such a treat.




 Classical Movements  
It was the Sarasota Festival Orchestra with Vijay Venkatesh.


 GossJenn  
Thanks!


 SARA CASAR  
Beautiful words and music of comfort. Sending love, hope and healing prayers to India.


 RiverForest Group  
WoW WoW


 Ashok Pati  
Lovely repertoire of music from very talented musicians. Thank you all so much (frm Bangalore)


 Susheila Mani  
Scherzade's performing Faure's Requiem beautifully. Touching.


 Santhi Sathiapalan  
Touched by the beautiful music and love

 Nirupama Rao  
Sherazade Panthaki - your singing is simply heavenly. Sitting here in covid-ravaged Bangalore, the tears flow for our people and their suffering.

 bvempati  
What a wonderful selection of artistes, their messages, amazing pieces and impeccable performances - plumb the depths of ones heart

 Susheila Mani  
Unusual: Cohen's Hallelujah on violin.... lovely variations.

 RiverForest Group  
Absolutely BV. What a gathering of gifted folks doing/giving what they do best for the country.

 Nirupama Rao  
Have always been a big fan of Vijay Gupta - a great musician with profound feeling and sensitivity for the suffering and underprivileged.

 Surender Kasana



thanks very nice

**N** Neeta Helms

Vijay Gupta is many things..superstar, speaker, MacArthur genius. left the LA Phil to focus on his Street Symphony. that takes courage.

**A** Atul Parekh

Amazing performances



[Nirupama Rao](#)

A truly beautiful and moving musical offering for India. Every piece was so evocative and uplifting. And expressed with love and empathy for those suffering in India. Thank you, Classical Movements.



[Johan van Zyl](#)

What a wonderful and touching moment as the peoples of the world come together in emotions of endearing support to our fellow humans in struggle and pain!



[Farah Ghadiali](#)

Love Faure's Pie Jesu ! Beautifully sung!



[Eluned Schweitzer](#)

Lovely uplifting concert. Thank you!



[sangeeta gupta](#)

Music is known to break all barriers..neeta you along with your supremely talented team has put a balm on so many of us..sm with a broken heart.! Sm in spirit..!! Thank u . Gid bless



[sangeeta gupta](#)

God bless

[brajesh patro](#)

God bless all those esteemed artists whose soulful performances have created immense positivity in us. We are all connected we ll defeat this covid remaining united . Love and peace may shower upon all of us.



### [Rosemary Op](#)

Beautiful music! Truly soothing and peaceful in this time of sorrow and confusion. From Bangalore I express my heartfelt appreciation and gratitude to all the great artists who remembers their home land at this moment of suffering of the great Home Land India. Join us in prayer to the Almighty who alone can alleviate this pain we experience, through the instrumentation of all those who are working to do their best.

### [Sumanta Banerjee](#)

Its wonderful gesture of humanity

## **Facebook Comments:**

### [Gopi Mathur Sharma](#)

Wonderful offering Neeta and all the great musicians, to soothe and heal in these times of immense pain in our beloved India! Bravo

### [Dilshad Billimoria Posnock](#)

Thank you, [Neeta Helms](#) and Classical Movements for putting together this beautiful concert 

### [Ramakrishnan Ramamurthi](#)

Neeta and The Classical Movements team and Artistes, What a fantastic way of showing your collective solidarity, caring and love for the people of India ! It's the medicine that we all needed more than anything else ! Jai Hind !!

### [Ann Yonemura](#)

Thank you, Neeta. This is beautiful.

### [Seema Seigell](#)

Beautiful, soothing, thank you!

### [Morris Deutsch](#)

Beautiful, thank you

### [Neeta Helms](#)

thank you for listening Morris. It means a lot to me.

### [Neelu Chopra](#)

An Awesome Presentation. Absolutely Wonderful.

### [Ramakrishnan Ramamurthi](#)

Absolutely mesmerising!

### [Brenna O'Donnell](#)



### [Jere Johnston](#)

A great collection of performances. Thanks to all the performers.

### [Deepak Maira](#)

Thank you. That was wonderful.

### [Jeykumar Kuttath](#)

Wonderful performance

### [Jayci Thomas](#)

Beautiful and Moving



**Pradeep Narayanan**

This is awesome

**Adam Jackson**

Such stunningly gorgeous musicianship in every performance



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# Classical Movements to stream “Concert for India,” May 6

Posted on: May 5, 2021

On May 6, Classical Movements, the concert-touring company and music presenter based in Alexandria, Virginia, will live-stream “A Concert for India” on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/ClassicalMovements) (<https://www.facebook.com/ClassicalMovements>) and [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/user/classicalmovements) (<https://www.youtube.com/user/classicalmovements>). The virtual event, presented free of charge, is being held “in solidarity with the resilient and beautiful people of India” during that country’s worsening COVID-19 health crisis, says Neeta Helms, Classical Movements’ founder and president. The concert will feature eight Indian American classical musicians performing Indian and Western classical music and contributing personal statements. Musicians will include Reena Esmail, Vijay Gupta, Saili Oak, Sherezade Panthaki, Dilshad Billimoria Posnock, Jason Posnock, Rohan Ramanan, Eva Schaumkell, Priyanka Venkatesh, and Vijay Venkatesh. The virtual concert will take place on May 6 at 11:30 a.m. ET / 8:30 a.m. PT. Viewers are encouraged to donate to international and Indian organizations supporting efforts to fight the pandemic.

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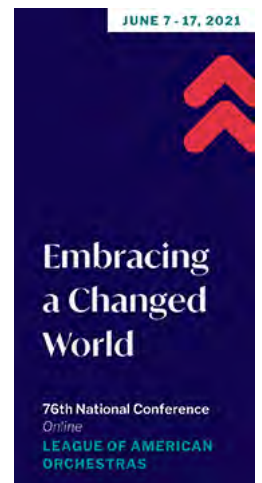
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**The online performance organised by Classical Movements will include Indian and Western classical music and personal statements.**



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Classical Movements, a premier concert tour company based in the U.S., has organised 'A Concert for India' by Indian-American musicians in solidarity with Indians, who are facing the pandemic crisis. The concert will be streamed live at 9 p.m. today. Classical Movements' Indian-born founder and president Neeta Helms reached out to colleagues in the Western classical music community across the United States and invited 8 accomplished Indian-American classical musicians, some of whom will be performing with spouses or other collaborators, to offer performances of Indian and Western classical music and personal

statements as a gesture of comfort. The Hindu is happy to be a media partner bring this piece of music to you, our readers.

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# Soprano Sherezade Panthaki Headlines Classical Movements' 'A Concert for India'

By David Salazar

Classical Movements is set to stream "A Concert for India" on Thursday, May 6, 2021 starting at 11:30 a.m. EDT.

The event will feature a number of major artists including soprano [Sherezade Panthaki](#), classical vocalist Saili Oak, violinist Vijay Gupta, composer Reena Esmail, violinist Priyanka Venkatesh, and pianists Vijay Venkatesh and Eva Schaumkell, among others.

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“Like so many other Indians around the world, I have been horrified by the widespread suffering in India due to Covid-19,” Classical Movements’ Indian-born Founder and President Neeta Helms said in a press release. “Wanting to make a difference beyond donations and being in a position at the center of the classical music world for three decades, I reached out to several of the many musicians of Indian origin who are making their mark in the United States and abroad. Knowing the power of music to offer comfort and peace in times of suffering, it is our hope that this will bring some solace to people facing such fear and anxiety.”

Viewers are encouraged to donate to international Indian organizations supporting the fight against COVID-19.


Audiences can stream the showcase on either Classical Movements’ Facebook or YouTube pages.

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