South African singer Shashika Mooruth impresses with her soulful voice in India.

From humble beginnings in Durban, South Africa, to her current success, Shashika has been performing and creating music that is sure to move you. She believes in the power of music and its ability to move people emotionally, mentally and physically.



Mumbai, **Maharashtra Jun 16**, **2023** (<u>Issuewire.com</u>) - Shashika Mooruth is known for her ability to express a wide range of emotions through her singing. Her voice has a beautiful tonal quality and her renditions evoke deep emotions in listeners.

Born and raised in South Africa, she was in Lucknow, India recently for an interview and recording of her songs at the prestigious UP Sangeet Natak Academy. Her host in the interview was retired All India Radio director Shri Prithviraj Chauhan who was very impressed by her amazing experiences as she shared her music journey from South Africa to India.

Interestingly Shashika draws inspiration from traditional influences and strongly recommends rigid training in Hindustani classical music. Acknowledging the fact that music keeps evolving with time she is also passionate about creating unique, powerful compositions that fuse with contemporary sounds.

"Whether I am composing or performing, I always have a visual in mind. I am drawn into a scene, my music and voice speak from my soul to the soul of my listener. It is a reflection of my life journey. I cannot describe it any other way, "she said. "I am especially very emotional about this opportunity to perform at the academy in Uttar Pradesh as my ancestors hailed mostly from villages in these parts of India. Girmitiyas were indentured laborers from British India who were transported to work on plantations in South Africa between the 1860s and early 1900s. Though I have lost contact with my

families in these villages, performing in Uttar Pradesh still makes me feel as if my voice is resounding and reaching out to them. "

Shashika's musical journey started at a young age in South Africa. She has released several albums that have garnered her critical acclaim and numerous awards. She has performed on various stages worldwide, captivating audiences with her soul-stirring performances.

Her fan base in India has grown widely over the years. "I am always enthusiastic to reach out more in India. As a descendant of Girimitiyas, my comeback to India plays an important role in my life. I feel fulfilled to contribute and be a part of music that hails from the land of my ancestors."

Shri Tarun Raj, the director of the academy was very interested in her profile as a South African pursuing Indian music. On hearing her voice in a YouTube video he immediately invited her for an interview and performance at the academy studio.

Shashika recorded three devotional songs for the academy and was accompanied by Dr Pawan Tiwari on the tabla and Shri Nantu Das on harmonium with Shri Sunil Yadav as the engineer behind the production.

Radio Urja is her online radio station featuring all her songs. Listen to Radio Urja from Govardhan live on Radio Garden: https://radio.garden/listen/radio-urja/7YVA8yrB

Shashika Mooruth has a very impressive website at www.shashikamooruth.com and her independent music label at www.urjamusic.com



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