

Thirai Isai Munnodi
Singam C R Subbaraman

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C R Subbaraman
May 18, 1924- June 27, 1952

Chintamani Ramasamy Subbaraman

- Subbaraman was born on May 18, 1924 in Chintamani, Tirunelveli District. His ancestors were from Andhra Pradesh and so he knew Telugu well.
- He did not learn music from any well known teacher. His first exposure was with a Nadaswaram player in Kumbakonam. He showed remarkable skills in learning. He was well versed in harmonium when he was 14.
- He lived in Mylapore with his father. Learnt to play piano in Triplicane. At the age of 16, he joined HMV Gramophone Company Orchestra and soon got elevated to Assistant Music Director.
- He sang keerthanas in the evenings when he was not working at HMV.
- By stroke of luck, a chance came for him to compose music for the Telugu film Chinchu Lakshmi on behalf of HMV. The film became a success and his visibility increased in cinema field.
- MKT Bhagavathar selected him to compose music for his film Udhayanan. CRS was very happy and composed several songs. Unfortunately, MKT had to go to jail and producers changed the music director and he lost the chance.
- But later when MKT came out, he approached CRS to play music for his film Marmayogi.
- He worked with N S Krishnan in many of his films- Paithiakaran, Nallathambi and Manamagal. NSK was very impressed with him and introduced him as "Singam" of music to others.
- He worked with Bhanumati in her Bharani Pictures- Ratnamala, Lalila Majnu, Chandirani
- In 1953 he composed the music and produced the legendary movie- Devadas both in Telugu and Tamil. The songs are immortal to this day.
- He introduced many notable people- Ghantasala, M. L. Vasanthakumari, P. Leela, T.K. Ramamurthy and M.S. Viswanathan to movie producers.
- At the prime of his career, when he was just 28, he died on June 27, 1952. He is fondly remembered as "தமிழ் திரையினசெழுன்னோடி" and "**Singam**" of music.
- Ref: Jaya TV News and Wikipedia.

இசையமைத்த திரைப்படங்கள்

வெங்கி (1946)

பைக்தியக்காரன் (1947)

அபிமன்யு (1948)

மோகினி (1948)

ராஜ முக்தி (1948)

கண்ணியின் காதலி (1949)

மந்தையர்க்கரசு (1949)

ரத்தினகுமார் (1949)

வேலைக்காரி (1949)

நல்ல தம்பி (1949)

பவளக்கொடி (1949)

பாரிஜாதம் (1950)

விஜயகுமாரி (1950)

மச்சரேகை (1950)

மணமகள் (1951)

மர்மயோகி (1951)

இசுதிரீ சாகசம் (1951)

வனசுந்தரி (1951)

ராணி (1952)

தர்ம தேவதா (1952)

காதல் (1952)

தேவதாஸ் (1953)

மருமகள் (1953)

வேலைக்காரி மகள் (1953)

சண்டிராணி (1953)

•C R Subbaraman Film Songs (80) Playlists-

1943-1950:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLvCCTBtu2H3xVsEuxURyElO4jwzAAJoPi>

1951-1953

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLvCCTBtu2H3wlwy6gT07MgxvbUZsIKSH>