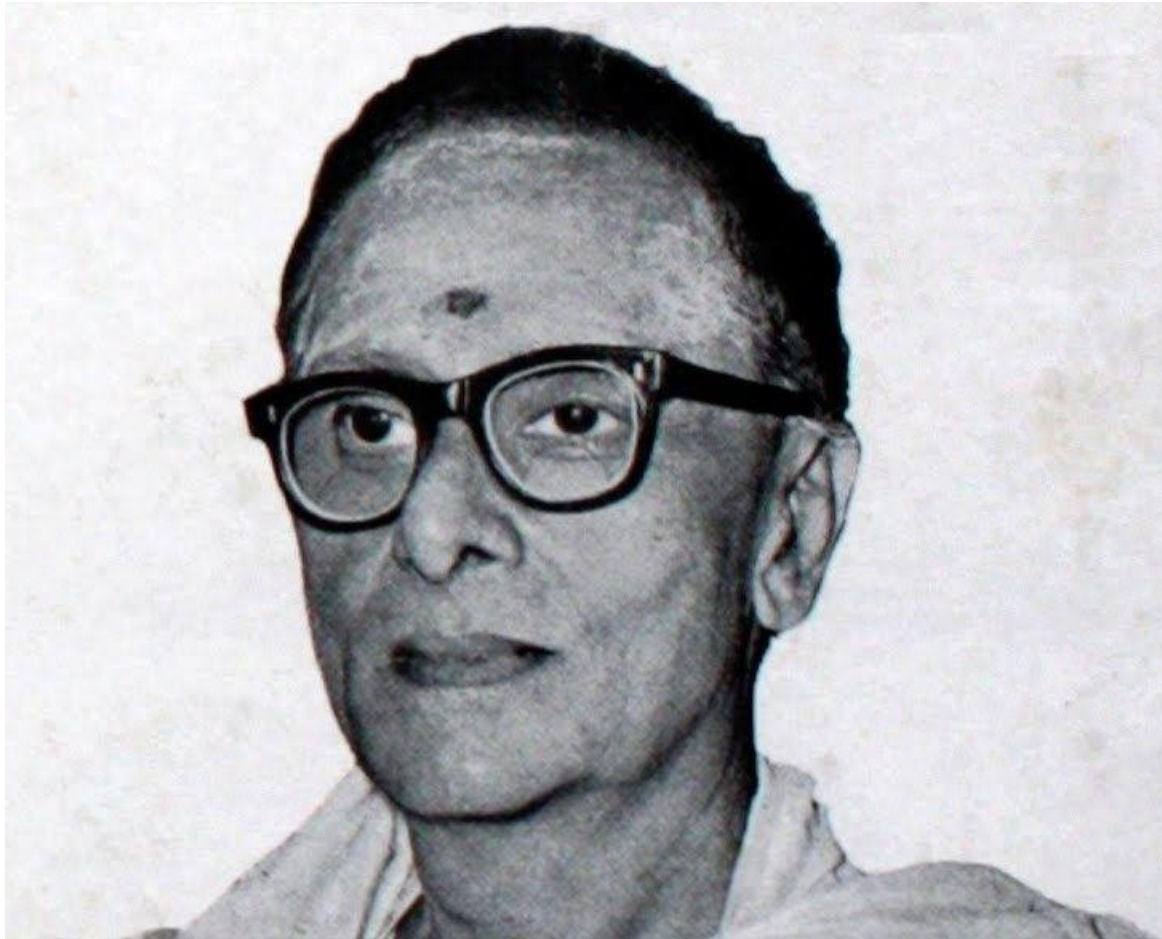


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S V Venkatraman
April 25, 1911- April 7, 1998

Sozhavandan Varadharajan Venkatraman

- Born on April 25, 1911. His mother went into labor right in front of Siva temple in Ayyampalayam, Dindigul District and he was born. It was thought to be a good omen.
- He had an aptitude for music even in his childhood. After his father died, he grew up with his uncle. He studied up to fourth standard and then left for Chintaripet to pursue his other interests. He joined a drama troupe and learned to play harmonium. He took part in few stage plays and movies but he could not pursue the acting career due to an accident.
- A V Meyyappan, then a struggling producer (turned into a movie Mogul later) identified SVV and gave him a chance to become a music director in his film Nanda Kumar (1938). SVV's career took off and he composed music for many well known films such as Kannagi, Gnanasoundari, Meera, Arivali and Irumbuthirai. Altogether he scored 200 films in Tamil, Telugu, Kannada, Malayalam and Hindi.
- He had an active career from 1938- 1963. Many milestone events took place in his career. T R Mahalingam and T R Ramachandran were introduced in his films. First play back song was recorded in his film Nanda Kumar. Lalitha Venkataraman sang Deena Dayaparane to his tune.
- He set the music for M S Subbulakshmi's Meera. DK Pattammal , ML Vasanthakumari and many notable singers sang in his films. Prominent politicians such as Annadurai were also involved in his films. He molded the career of many including M S Viswanathan and L.R Easwari.
- He lent his skills to all religions. He composed music for MS Subbulakshmi's Bhaja Govindam, her Silappadhikaram song Vadavaryai maththaakki; also he was the music director for Gnanasoundhari, a movie with Christian theme. He worked with Nagore Haniffa and produced well known Islamic devotional songs. He tuned many Bharatiyar songs and Mahatma Gandhi broadcasts.
- After 1963, the light music era took over and SVV tried a handful of movies until 1977 and then retired. During his retirement he participated in All India Radio and few public events.
- SVV died on April 7, 1998 in Palavakkam, Chennai. He is fondly remembered as “ தமிழ் இரையிசை முன்னோடி”.
- _Ref: Jaya TV News and Wikipedia.

List of Hit Movies (1938-1977)

Arivaali (1963)

Gnana Soundari (1948)

Gokuladasi (1948)

Harichandra (1944)
(BGM - S.Rajeswara Rao)

Idhaya Geetham (1950)

Irumbu Thirai (1960)

Kangal (1953)
(co-music director - G.Ramanathan)

Kannagi (1942)

Kannan Karunai (1971)

Kannin Manigal (1956)

Karkottai (1954)
(co-music director - G.Ramanathan)

Koteeswaran (1955)

Krishna Bakthi (1949)

Laila Majnu (1950)

Lavanya (1951)

Maaman Magal (1955)

Mahamaya (1944)
(co-music director - Kunnakudi Venkatarama Iyer)

Mahathma Udhangar (1947)

Manidhan (1953)

Manohara (1954)
(co-music director - TR.Ramanathan)

Marudha naattu veeran (1961)

Meera (1945)

Nandakumar (1938)

Nannambikkai (1956)

Navajeevanam (1949)

Ondre Kulam (1956)
(co-music director - MV.Ranga Rao)

Paanai Pidithaval Bhaagyasaali (1958)
(co-music director - S.Rajeswara Rao)

Paarijatham (1950)
(co-music director - CR.Subburaman)

Panakkaari (1953)

Paranjothi (1945)

Saudamini (1951)

Singari (1951)
(co-music directors -
TA.Kalyanam, TR.Ramanathan)

Sri Krishna Leelai (1977)

Sri Murugan (1946)
(co-music director - SM.Subbaiah
Naidu)

Thirumazhisai Aazhwar (1948)
(co-music director -
TR.Ramanathan)

Thyaagi (1947)

(co-music director - TR.Ramanathan)

Valmiki (1946)

(co-music director - Papanasam Sivan)

Vanasundari (1951)

(co-music director - CR.Subburaman)

- S V Venkatraman Film Songs (50) Playlist-

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