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AMJAD ALI KHAN

with Amaan & Ayaan Ali Bangash



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– The Guardian

We are delighted to present **a concert date** with the sarod maestro **Amjad Ali Khan** with accompaniment by **Amaan & Ayaan Ali Bangash**.

The concert will take place at **St George's Bristol** on **29 November** and is presented by **Asian Arts Agency**.

AN INNOVATOR

One of the undisputed masters of the music world, **Amjad Ali Khan** represents the sixth generation in the legendary line of the **Senia Bangash School**. Since his first performance aged six, **Amjad Ali Khan** has played for audiences worldwide. He brings a new and timeless interpretation to the repertoire, whilst being widely credited with re-inventing the technique of playing the sarod.

GRAMMY NOMINEE & NOBEL PEACE PRIZE CEREMONY

Over the course of a distinguished career spanning more than six decades, **Amjad Ali Khan** has won numerous accolades including a **Grammy nomination**, the **Crystal Award** by the **World Economic Forum, Unicef's National Ambassadorship** and the **Fukuoka Cultural grand prize**.

Amjad Ali Khan has made regular appearances at **Carnegie Hall New York**, **Royal Albert Hall** and **Royal Festival Hall London**, **BBC Proms 2022**, **Sydney Opera House Australia**, **Suntory Hall Tokyo**, **Esplanade Singapore**, **Kennedy Center Washington** and **Symphony Center Chicago**.

He has performed at festivals worldwide including the **Edinburgh International Festival**, **WOMAD**, **Enescu Festival Bucharest**, and the **BBC Proms**; as well as for prestigious organizations such as the **United Nations**, **UNESCO**, **World Arts Summit** and for the **Nobel Peace Prize Ceremony** in Oslo, 2014.

GLOBAL MUSIC AWARDS GOLD MEDAL WINNER

Amjad Ali Khan's passion for bringing the sarod to new audiences has seen him give numerous residencies as well as being appointed as Visiting Professor at several universities, including **Stanford University**, **University of New Mexico**, **York University** and **Jacob's School of Music**.

Amjad Ali Khan is a **Gold Medal Winner** at the **Global Music Awards** for his outstanding contribution to the global music industry and excellence in the classical music sphere. This honour was bestowed on the trailblazing trio of Amjad Ali Khan and his sons Amaan Ali Bangash and Ayaan Ali Bangash in recognition of their **"Peace Worshipers**" album which was released in July 2017.

ABOUT AMAAN AND AYAAN ALI BANGASH

Amaan Ali Bangash and Ayaan Ali Bangash represent the seventh generation of a musical lineage known as the Senia Bangash School. They are disciples of their father, the great sarod maestro Amjad Ali Khan and were initiated into the fine art of sarod playing from an early age, with each brother giving their first public performances at age eight.

They have performed across the globe, including appearances at Carnegie Hall and the Kennedy Center in the USA, Royal Festival Hall, Symphony Hall and Barbican Centre in the UK, Konzerthaus Vienna, Concertgebouw Amsterdam, Esplanade Singapore and Sydney Opera house. They have also appeared at festivals including WOMAD, Edinburgh International Festival and World Beat in Brisbane.

Their pioneering approach to the repertoire has led them to collaborate with percussionist Evelyn Glennie, guitarist Derek Trucks of the Allman Brothers Band, cellist Matthew Barley, Bulgarian violinist Elmira Dararova and folk singer Carrie Newcomer.

PRESS QUOTES

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"…this is a player at the height of his inventive powers and currently unequalled."
– BBC Music Magazine

"One of the 20th century's greatest masters of the Sarod…" – Songlines magazine

Amaan & Ayaan Ali Bangash

"From India, a Sarod Dynasty Represented by Father and Sons... both excellent musicians, who play with power and precision and can light up an audience with fast passages." – The New York Times

Jaswinder Singh, **Director of Asian Arts Agency**, said of **Amjad Ali Khan**

With great delight we present iconic sarod maestro Amjad Ali Khan alongside Ayaan & Amaan Ali Bangash for a concert at St George's Bristol. An incomparable master of the sarod, Amjad Ali Khan is an artist who has made world music history through his outstanding contribution. A Grammy nominee and Gold Medal Winner at the Global Music Awards, it is rare to have the opportunity to immerse oneself into a live music performance by such an artist.

More information:
https://asianartsagency.co.uk/event/amjad-ali-khan/

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Asian Arts Agency is a dynamic arts development agency based in Bristol that develops, promotes and supports international contemporary and traditional South Asian arts through performances, workshops, new commissions, tours, film screenings, new productions and ongoing support to artists.

Asian Arts Agency has worked with many world-class artists including Talvin Singh, Rizwan-Muazzam Qawwali, Roopa Panesar, DJ Rekha, Malkit Singh, Niladri Kumar, Gurdass Mann, The Dhol Foundation, Jazzy B, Susheela Raman, Anoushka Shankar, Transglobal Underground, and Zakir Hussain.

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