

## PRESS RELEASE

### **Trilok Gurtu – Master Drummer Goes Acoustic With Rajan And Sajan Mishra , The Great Indian Vocalists**

For some years now TRILOK GURTU has carved out a very special niche in world music with his extraordinary skills as a percussionist and composer. Having spent so much of his life in Europe mastering the art of fusion and collaboration, he has recently been on a journey rediscovering his roots back in India and traditional music. His mother was the doyen of North Indian classical singing and *thumri* the inimitable *SHOBHA GURTU*. Although Trilok has always used traditional Indian music in his work, on this occasion he ventures into a totally acoustic presentation in his latest collaboration with two of India's greatest singers – Pandits Rajan and Sajan Mishra .

The Mishra brothers hail from the holy city of Varanasi, and whose enormous talents have taken them all over the world. They are no strangers to collaborations having worked with Michael Nyman on an AMC commissioned work called "SANGAM" published by Universal. Their virtuosity, imagination and extraordinary flexibility make them the ideal musicians to work with on such a project.

The result is a fascinating, beautiful and innovative interaction between Trilok Gurtu and the Mishras with accompaniment on the *sarangi* by Dilshad Khan and on *sarod* by Rakhesh Prasana.

The Artists are:

Trilok Gurtu	percussion
Rajan Mishra	vocal
Sajan Mishra	vocal
Dilshad Khan	sarangi
Rakhesh Prasana	sarod.

#### **Tour dates**

15 <sup>th</sup> July 2006	Queen Elizabeth Hall, SBC, London
16 <sup>th</sup> July 2006	Larmer Tree Festival, Wiltshire
21 <sup>st</sup> July 2006	Appleby Jazz Festival, Cumbria
23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2006	Nottingham Mela
31 <sup>st</sup> July 2006	Trilok Gurtu( alone) workshop at the AMC summer school, Royal Academy of Music, London.

#### **Notes to editors**

Trilok Gurtu and Rajan/Sajan Mishra are available for interviews on the 11<sup>th</sup> July 2006

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