

Message

Greeting to you, members of the respected staff, students and alumnae of this illustrious college on the occasion of its centenary year.

Karnatak College was founded in the year 1917, by the noble efforts of the Late Diwan Bahadur Rodda Shrinivasrao, Rao Bahadur, R. S. Artal and Sri Siddappa Kambli. Karnatak College is one of the pioneer educational institutions of not only Dharwad but the entire North Karnatak, which has attained a reputation of imparting qualitative education in Arts, Science, Commerce, Hindustani Music and Yoga.

Dharwad is the land of great musicians like Pandit Mallikarjun Mansur, Pandit Basavaraj Rajguru, Dr. Gangubai Hangal and Pandit Bheemsen Joshi. Considering their contribution to the field of Music in this part of North Karnataka, Karnatak University introduced Music in the fifties for B. A and BSc Part i level as a basic subject. In KCD provision was made to teach instrumental and Vocal music. The Department of Music then became independent college in the year 1975 is known as University College of Fine Arts and Music. It is the first ever Hindustani music college in South India as the branch of Karnatak College.

Over the years lakhs of students have passed out from Karnatak college, Have contributed in different areas in all fields like Arts, Science, Commerce and Music (Whatever position they had achieved they used to say with pride that students of Karnatak College). They feel proud being the alumnae of Karnatak College.

Music is always moving and becoming and it carries us beyond our boundaries. True music inspires persons to live more unselfishly in greater kindness to each other and it harmonize the discord of crowds.

I hope it would continue to serve in this field and maintain its glorious traditions.

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