## Master Musicians of India: Hereditary Sarangi Players Speak

The sarangi is a bowed string instrument that is said to have originated in India over a thousand years ago. It is played by professional musicians called langas, who are often hereditary musicians. The sarangi is a versatile instrument that can be used to play a wide variety of musical genres, from classical to folk to religious music.



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In this article, we speak to three sarangi players from different generations about their lives, their music, and their thoughts on the future of the sarangi tradition.

### **Ustad Sultan Khan**



Ustad Sultan Khan is one of the most renowned sarangi players in the world. He was born into a family of hereditary musicians in Jaipur, India. Khan began learning the sarangi at the age of five from his father, Ustad Ghulam Sabir Khan.

Khan has performed all over the world, and has collaborated with a wide variety of musicians, including Ravi Shankar, Ali Akbar Khan, and Yehudi Menuhin. He is known for his virtuosic playing and his ability to create a wide range of sounds on the sarangi.

Khan is also a respected teacher, and he has taught many of the world's leading sarangi players. He is dedicated to preserving the sarangi tradition, and he believes that the instrument has a bright future.

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### Pandit Ram Narayan



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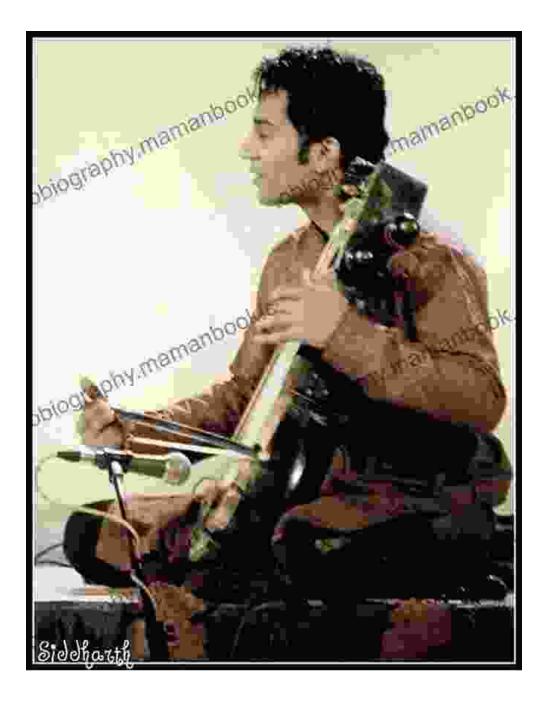
Narayan is known for his soulful playing and his ability to create a deep emotional connection with his audience. He has performed all over the world, and has received numerous awards and accolades for his work.

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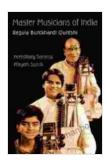
Sabir Khan is a young sarangi player from India. He was born in Jaipur, India, in 1987. Khan began learning the sarangi at the age of five from his father, Ustad Sultan Khan.

Khan is a talented sarangi player, and he has already performed all over the world. He is known for his virtuosic playing and his ability to create a wide range of sounds on the sarangi. Khan is also dedicated to preserving the sarangi tradition. He believes that the instrument has a bright future, and he is working to promote the sarangi to a new generation of musicians.

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The sarangi is a beautiful and expressive instrument that has a long and rich history in India. The three sarangi players featured in this article are all dedicated to preserving the sarangi tradition. They believe that the instrument has a bright future, and they are working to promote the sarangi to a new generation of musicians.

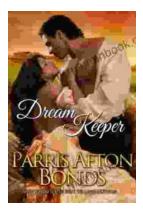


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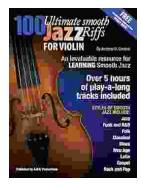
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