

An evening of sur taal

Saloni Bhatia

Tabla maestro Zakir Hussain recently performed in the capital for the second edition of the Aadi Anant music festival. Hussain, along with a sitarist and a sarangi player, enthralled the guests at the Siri Fort Auditorium.

The performance was divided into three sections. Sitarist Ravi Chary accompanied the tabla beats for the first part, which was followed by vocalist Sraboni Choudhary, who sang classical songs and ghazals. The third part, which Hussain referred to as "the part where we are going to indulge in some righteous and serious drum passion," saw different tabla players perform at different scales, which created an electrifying atmosphere in the auditorium.

Accompanying Hussain on the tabla were two of his father's disciples, Aditya Kalyanpur and Navin Sharma. Sharing his experience of performing with the young musicians, he said, "The tabla players accompanying me are my father's disciples. It feels great to perform with such young talent. In fact, you know what, I feel like I am the budhau of this group on stage."

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