

JANAKI SABESH -PROFILE

Stories are Janaki Sabesh's passion – writing, performing, living them.

Janaki began her career telling stories on screen, through documentaries, docudramas, corporate films and advertisements assisting directors like Rajiv Mehrotra, Simi Garewal, Sridhar Kshirsagar, P. Jayendra & P.C. Sreeram (JS Films).

An accomplished actor, her body of work spans films across all South Indian languages and several modelling assignments. She has worked with stalwarts like Aishwarya Rai, Kamal Hassan, Madhavan, Mani Ratnam, Rajiv Menon & Shankar, among others.

She has also brought many a character to life on screen, as a successful voice-over artiste.

Janaki's engagement with children began in 1995, when she produced an audio cassette, 'The Learning Train', that simplified the world of numbers through story and songs. She founded her story telling initiative 'Golpo - Tales Unlimited' in 2014, aimed at taking stories and storytelling to children and adults.

She collaborates with Tulika Books, Karadi Tales and other publishers, to take their stories to various audiences and events at schools, colleges, corporates, and Lit Fests. She also works with educators, and other professional networks on using effective story telling techniques in communication and marketing. Janaki conducts a course for Chennai Business School titled "Lead yourself through Storytelling".

Her sessions are highly interactive and a unique blend of narration, music, drama and movement.

Janaki plays an active role in Chennai's live performance community, experimenting with monologues, stand-up comedy and theatre.

A simple question from a child during one of her sessions prompted her to write her first picture book 'The Jungle Storytelling Festival' published by Tulika Books.

A graduate in Political Science from Lady Sriram College, Delhi, with a Masters in Mass Communication from Jamia Millia Islamia University, Delhi, she has more than 20 years of experience in the creative and marketing domain as part of Goldwire communication, JS films and Qube Cinema.

Janaki Sabesh believes : "A story told from the heart can only win more hearts"

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