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GTA resident to be awarded Guinness World Record

On Sunday, December 7, 2008, Jagjit Singh will be presented the Guinness World Record for Longest Drumming Marathon - Individual, to recognize his record-breaking 110 hours of playing Tabla.

Singh, a Brampton resident and local Tabla teacher, eclipsed the previous record of 101 hours during an official attempt lasting 5 days from October 3 to October 7, 2007 playing the pair of hand drums.

Starting at the tender age of four, Jagjit Singh began learning to play Tabla first from his older cousin and then Ustad Sushil Kumar. In 1993, he was accepted as a student by the renowned Late Ustad Alla Rakha Khan, and later studied under Ustad Zakir Hussain, son of Khan - both giants in Indian classical music.

Since settling in Canada in 2000, Singh has expanded his studies into western music styles and has had the opportunity to work with many famous artists from India and Canada. He continues to travel widely, to the UK and as far as Australia to play the drums of which he is so passionate.

It was passion and gratitude that inspired Jagjit Singh to this new record. "I want the drumming marathon to serve as a lesson to younger musicians and encourage them to chase after their dreams," he said in an interview with The Mississauga News prior to commencing his attempt in 2007. On December 7, 2008 at 1:00pm at Sri Guru Singh Sabha - Malton Sikh Temple, the young Sikh will be presented the official record from the Guinness World Records recognizing his feat - a tribute to his teachers, his discipline to hard work and passion to inspire others to reach higher.

Be a part of this inspiring event!

Here are the details of the event:

WHAT:

- Guinness World Record Certificate Presentation to Jagjit Singh (Tabla Player/Teacher) for the Longest Drumming Marathon – Individual, by playing Tabla for 110 hours

WHERE:

- Sri Guru Singh Sabha, 7280 Airport Rd., Malton, ON, L4T 2H3
- Phone: 905-671-1662

WHEN:

- Dec. 7, 2008 @ 1:00 p.m.

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