

BIG STORY PACKAGE PERSONALITY: A.R. RAHMAN

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New Delhi, India, Mar 04, 2017 -- "In my experience, he is the best sound engineer in the world. He's a package—of a music arranger, singer and musician. He records every song with a spiritual connection. Be it 'Muqabala' or 'Chaiyya Chaiyya' or 'Taal Se Taal Mila', it feels like a 'bhajan'."Favourite Rahman song: 'Chaiyya Chaiyya'('Dil Se..' 1998)—Sukhwinder Singh, playback singer"Rahman made contemporary film music cool. Most music that was consumed then was either older songs...

AR Rahman my biggest influence in Bollywood: Amit Trivedi



New Delhi, India, Aug 22, 2015 -- The first film for which Bollywood music director Amit Trivedi composed music was Aamir (2008). But it was with the title track of Emotional Atyachaar from Anurag Kashyap's Dev D (2009) that he truly made his mark.

Kun Faya Kun's love note to Rahman 'saab'



New Delhi, India, Mar 03 2017 -- We Nizami Bandhu are descendants of a family that has been offering qawwalis at the dargah of Hazrat Nizamuddin Auliya for 700 years. To be born in such a clan and to carry on the tradition of Sufi singing is a great blessing. One of the other boons given to us by Mehboob-e-ilahi (an affectionate term used for Nizamuddin) is to have A.R. Rahman saab in our lives.

HIS CONTRIBUTIONS

Teaching the choir



New Delhi, India, Mar 03 2017 -- Oscarnominated romantic musical La La Land may have charmed the globe but it may have left Indian music enthusiasts pondering over the dearth of full-blown musicals in the country. A.R. Rahman, however, believes there is scope for that, especially given the Broadway-style shows his students at the KM Music Conservatory (KMMC) produce regularly. Founded in 2008 by the AR Rahman Foundation, the conservatory is a higher-education institution offering a range of full-time and part-time courses in Hindustani and Western classical music and technology. Applicants can opt for the two-year diploma or pursue shorter, intensive courses in preparatory, audio engineering or electronic music production, certificates in foundation, composition or Russian piano studio; or take part in summer programmes.Rahman's sister, Fathima Rafiq, is the executive director while a host of internationally renowned musicians are part of the faculty and advisory panel.

Jallikattu ban: AR Rahman sits on hunger strike in protest



New Delhi, India, Jan 20 2017 - Noted musician AR Rahman
today set on hunger strike a
day after calling for it amid the
chaos created by protests over

the ban on Jallikattu After south cinema star Ajith Kumar, Suriya and Rajinikanth...

AR Rahman nominated in the Oscar for Pele biopic



New Delhi, India, Dec 14 2016 -- AR Rahman's work on the soundtrack of Pele: Birth of a Legend has won him recognition from the Academy Awards once again.

Rahman congratulates 'Ok Jaanu' team on 'humma' crossing 50 million views



New Delhi, India, Jan 5 2017 -Over two decades ago, music
maestro and Oscar winner A R
Rahman had enthralled music
lovers with memorable song
'Humma Humma' in Mani
Rathnam's movie

'Bombay'.Now, the magic of the 'Humma' song in director Karan Johar's 'Ok Jaanu', is recreated by rapper Badshah and Tansihk Bagchi with vocals by Jubin Nautiyal and Shashaa Tirupati.Rahman, who was ecstatic over the new form of song crossing 50 million views, has congratulated 'Ok Jaanu' team.

HIS ACHIEVEMENTS

Slumdog Millionaire sweeps the Oscars



Mumbai, India, Feb 24, 2013 -- Gone was the shy A.R. Rahman who thanked one billion Indians when he received a Golden Globe award last month. In acceptance speeches for the two Oscars...

AR Rahman honoured with Japanese culture prize



Music maestro AR Rahman has been awarded the Grand Fukuoka Prize 2016 for his outstanding contribution to Asian culture through his music. As part of the ceremony...

HIS PRINCIPLES

▶ I love working on challenging projects, says musical maestro AR Rahman

New Delhi, India, Oct 04, 2014 -- As you converse with AR Rahman, his self-effacing nature and polite disposition mirrors the kind of music he creates. Recipient of two Oscars and multiple national laurels, the 47-year-old is considered one of the most prolific composers in the world.

In One thing AR Rahman is ashamed of

New Delhi, India, Sep 20, 2015 -- Grammy Award-winning musician AR Rahman is so popular on the Indian and international music circuits that he barely gets to spend time with his family.

A. R. Rahman: 'I am an instrument'

New Delhi, India, Mar 03, 2017 -- You can't walk into the AR Rahman Foundation wearing shoes. It's sacrosanct—everyone, from the office staff and bustling personal managers coordinating the musician's commitments to A.R. Rahman himself...

I was offered a role in a Hollywood film: AR Rahman

New Delhi, India, Oct 15, 2015 -- AR Rahman is, inarguably, one of the most celebrated musicians today. Besides making a distinctive mark with his work in India.

PHOTOS



AR Rahman concert organized by fever 104. Photograph Raj K RajHT

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A.R. Rahman on 25 years of revolutionizing music