



Hitz Managing Director Mahmood ul Haq

the music we play, it's something unique and very different from what you would usually hear because the selection that goes on air is very pleasant to the ear in any mood that you are in. The target market they are looking at is from the age group of 30 to 55 years and even catering to the young crowd of 25 year olds as well. "There are people who are in the younger days who wish to be older and when they are older, they wish to be young", Shewantha further added. A huge explosion of music

know who and what their favourite presenters look like and what they are doing and what it is like to be, being a RJ, Shewantha added. **The team** - The Hitz team is from my words, is one of the closest and fun as well as the craziest bunch I've met. Its like one big happy family all glued together, ready to go through anything and that too together. "Its quite an eclectic bunch, and all and most of them are very young like school leavers except for one senior person who has been in this field for a long time. We don't have a draconian rule and it's a relaxed harmony", Shewantha stated. Furthermore he added that they do not discuss anything that will harm any individual or thing that people respect as they want everyone to stick

The song that describes him best "Older women make better lovers" and loves green jeans and he has been in this field for three years. Steffan does the *Drive back home* show with AJ. **Anju** - She is known to be the "hippie of the station" and the song that describes her best is "I kissed a girl", always the centre of attention and everyone waits to have a piece of her and is usually portrayed as a dart board. She has been in the industry for four years. Anju starts the day with her *Breakfast on the move* along with JJ. **Sophie B** - The new young talent Sophie Bex has been in the field for one year and has her own unique style of doing her show. Her song would be "Senorita Marguerita". "Down your way is hosted by little Sophie.

stand up guy, a huggy bear and laughs like a horse and the song that suits him is "Deepest Blue". Ranna gets you all *Wired for work* and *Connections* sorted. **Ron Mann** - he is the oldest of the young crowd and he has been in this field for 10 years. He is known to be the sugar daddy and is of wishful thinking and sorted in many ways and is simply a happy soul. The song for him is none other than "Sugar Daddy". **Micestein** - Don't be afraid, its not Frankenstein its Micestein. Micestein is the newest member to join the team and the man who will be taking the overnight control. Song for him is "If Rap Gets Jealous". **Jann Jazz** - JJ is known to be one of a kind and a talented young lady. She is pretty new to the English presenting specially coming from presenting things in Tamil. She is a very chilled out person and her song as the guys describe it is "Englishman from New York".



Rianna



Johnny



Sophie B



Micestein



Steffan Blaze

Old hitz...new hitz...

Its all about

HITZ

What is the one thing in the world that follows you wherever you go? The thing that can make your feelings come to life, make your spirits high and let your energy flow? Well for me that one thing is "music". And I think that's why an item called the

'radio' was invented. If it wasn't for the radio, I don't know how the world would have survived.

In Sri Lanka a new wave line has entered the scene and its already making an unstoppable crash towards the ears of genuine music lovers. The new wave is none other than Hitz.

"Hitz is a new kid on the block with a different punch", Hitz Managing Director Mahmood ul Haq said when *Daily News* spoke to him. We have taken it to the next level with web casting and audio casting and already even with the commercial launch on January 8, people are tuning in to listen to this station, Mahmood added.



Ron Mann

"We are the sister station of Sath and Mahmood has been bringing cutting edge technology to Sri Lanka", Hitz Executive Director Shewantha Rodriago said. Even

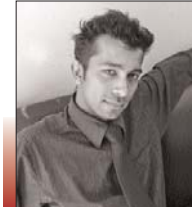
came from the 70s and we are trying to bring out the nostalgia of the era. We also talk with the presenters and show them live concerts of their voice, humour, personality and you will know more once you read about them. **Niro B** - The man behind the scene of production as they say it. He does the stuff like station imaging, lines, trailers and more of the things you would hear usually, created when you listen in; in short the man behind the gaudy sounds and to compliment the music and show what the station is all about.

**Steffan Blaze** - The guys say he's a nice guy, pretty creative and he's up for anything at any given moment. together and keep them together like that. The team consists of around 10 ordinary people who do a lot with just their voice, humour, personality and you will know more once you read about them. **Niro B** - The man behind the scene of production as they say it. He does the stuff like station imaging, lines, trailers and more of the things you would hear usually, created when you listen in; in short the man behind the gaudy sounds and to compliment the music and show what the station is all about.

**Johnny** - Johnny is Johnny. He is someone who would occasionally stick his head out of his corner of the table and say something totally opposite to what people were discussing. He has been in the field for a good nine years and the perfect song to describe him is "Johnny be good". Johnny takes over the *Monday blues*, *Wide open spaces* and *High point*

**Ranna** - She is a total fresher and coming from news casting to radio hosting is a huge difference. She has a nice personality and her song would be "Sound of Silence". **AJ** - Is the music controller and he's been in this field for two years. He is a

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'All Days Are Nights: Songs For Lulu' to be released

Rufus Wainwright marks his sixth studio album with "All Days Are Nights: Songs For Lulu" to be released April 5th on Polydor Records.

Written by Rufus Wainwright, produced by Rufus (with Pierre Marchand on three songs) and mixed by Marchand, who produced Rufus' "this 12-track record is steeped in beauty. It is a huge-

ly personal album for Rufus and deeply emotional, channelled through Rufus' fingers, his voice and a piano. The album title 'All Days Are Nights: Songs For Lulu' is both a reference to Shakespeare's "Sonnet 43" and Rufus' own concept of 'Lulu', which he describes as a "dark, brooding dangerous woman that lives within all of us." 'Lulu' is Louise Brooks who

starred in the film, 'Pandora's Box'. Set to be one of the highlights for 2010's musical calendar, Rufus Wainwright will recreate the intensity of 'All Days Are Nights: Songs For Lulu' on an 11-date solo UK tour in April. Rufus will be armed and dangerous with a piano and microphone and a visually stunning new stage production. "It's an opportunity to

have this slight moment of intimacy with me, which I know everybody wants," laughs Rufus. Following 'Prima Donna's' hugely successful premiere at Manchester International Festival in 2009, Rufus Wainwright's acclaimed opera will make its London premiere in April at Sadler's Wells from Monday 12th to Saturday 17th.

Bharathanatya Arangeetram

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Bharathanatya Arangeetram of Branieya Jayanyagum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jayanyagum and the disciple of Natya Kala Mandir Kalasuri Smt. Vasu Jayatheeswaran's 100th Arangeetram Program, will be held on March 6, at 6.00 p.m. at the Kathiresan Hall, Bahalaplitya. This program will be

under the distinguished patronage of the Chief Guest 'Padmabhushan' Dr. Padma Subrahmanyam, President, Nrithyodaya and Mgt. Trustee, Tamil Nadu, India.

The Guest of Honour will be Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Swaminathan and the other guest will be K. Manonmany Ammal and Layavaarithi Miruthanga Vidwan Kalabooshanan Shri K. Shanmugampilai.

