



# Sivamani, Asha concert on April 18

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**MUSCAT:** JK Films is presenting Sivamani trio and Asha Sharath Live in Concert, an evening of music and dance featuring the world famous Shivamani, Stephen Devassy, Asha Sharath, Palakkad Sreeram and Rajesh Vaidya to be held on Friday, April 18 at the City Amphitheatre, Qurum.

The event is expected to bring together music, art and culture lovers from all over Oman under one roof for an unparalleled experience. "The event, which is one of its kinds to be held for the first time in the Sultanate, has been our dream," said com-



pany Managing Director Jayakumar Vallickavu and Santhosh Kumar, one of the organisers.

"We have been meticulously planning this event and take great pleasure in delighting the Sultanate's audience with an event of this magnitude," added Jayakumar Vallickavu.

Sivamani, a leading percussionist, has done several concerts and world tours with music maestro A. R. Rahman and other leading celebrities. He began drumming at the age of seven. Sivamani started his musical career when he was just 11. He has played for M. S. Vishwanathan, Ilayaraja, A. R. Rahman among others. He is not



new to Oman, but never fails to leave the audience spellbound.

Asha Sharath needs no introduction to the Indian community here. A trained professional dancer, she bagged the top prize at an All-India dance fete in Benares in 1992. She acted in a telefilm *Nizhalum Nilavum Parayunnathu*, which won her the State Television Award for the second best actress and fetched her the role of Jayanthi in the serial *Kamkumapoovu*. In 2013, she played a police officer in the film *Drishyam* which was well received and became her first commercial hit.

Stephen Devassy, the latest music sensation in India, touted to be A. R. Rahman's successor, is



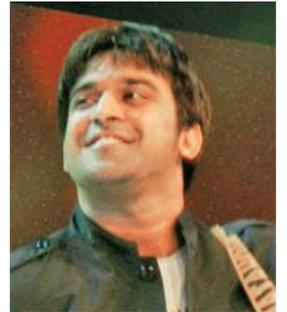
another favourite of the masses. His passion for music took him to greater levels. His music programming skills gave Stephen, an identity of his own in the Malayalam and Tamil industry and soon became one of the busiest keyboard programmers in the industry. He has worked with more than 50 music directors in many languages like Hindi, Tamil, Malayalam, Telugu, Bengali, Kannada and programmed over 2,000 songs. Stephen has programmed with famous music directors like Shankar-Ehsaan-Loy, Anu Malik, etc. His instrumental albums include *Romanza* and *Different Vibes*. Stephen has also com-



posed REX Band's International albums. His arrival in Oman is much awaited by his fans.

Rajesh Vaidya is an Indian Veena player hailing from Tamil Nadu. He has worked with famous film music composers like Vidyasagar, Harris Jeyaraj, Bharadhwaj, Devi Sri Prasad, Ilayaraja, etc. Rajesh Vaidya has composed various albums and given many stage performances. He collaborated with Playing for Change on the album songs *Around the World* (2008). He has performed with world renowned musicians and composers like Sir Elton John.

Palakkad Sreeram, a professional musician is more known as



a vocalist (play back singer) as well as a flautist and a keyboard artiste. In his own music projects he himself plays a number of instruments in the studio.

He entered as a flautist in the industry, played flute for many films, for many music albums under many music directors from 1996. He has done music direction for two Malayalam films *Mazhamega Pravukal* and *Melvilasam Seriyannu*.

Palakkad Sreeram and Rajesh Vaidya will undoubtedly lend magic and charisma to the evening.

Entry for the event is by tickets only. Ticket details will be announced soon by the organisers.

## QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

### Dosteen gets ISO 9001:2008 certification

**MUSCAT:** Dosteen Doors and Engineering Services has established and implemented the ISO 9001:2008 Quality Management System to regulate the business practices in line to the International Management System requirements, says a press release.

Dosteen Doors and Engineering Services is the distinguished supplier and distributor of the world's leading brands of industrial doors, shutters and allied products, pre-engineered buildings, nodular space frame structures, and logistics support equipment in Oman since 1999 and in UAE since 2006.

"We supply and fix a full range of proprietary doors, door technology systems and allied products for commercial, industrial and residential applications, to suit the requirement of our clients, wherever security and safety with quality is the prime requirement," said a company spokesman.

"With the support of a dedicated team, uncompromising efforts towards customer satisfaction, quality products, prompt delivery and affordable product cost, Dosteen strives to cater its clients on their commercial, industrial and resi-



dential requirements. Our goal is to ensure that we are and remain attractive suppliers to all markets: private, public, commercial and domestic around the Sultanate."

"Dosteen provides quality products and enormous field experiences to answer specific needs of our customer such as offices, shop front, factories, heavy industrial sectors, private properties, refineries, military applications and the industrial needs of food, pharmaceutical, health care, retail and department stores. Over years Dosteen has positioned itself as the leading Door Supplier in the Sultanate as well as in the neighbouring GCC countries," said

General Manager, Jolly during the ceremony.

Our nodular space frame structures are flawless and adaptable for multipurpose halls, auditoriums, sports stand, showrooms, and shopping malls. We deliver logistics support equipment which are ideal, safe and cost effective for material handling solution.

The prestigious ISO 9001 certification was awarded to Dosteen Managing Director, Saju Abraham, Ismail Saleh Al Balushi and Omana Saju by John Rosario Certification Manager of Bureau Veritas, Oman at a glittering function held in Haffa House Hotel, Ruwi.

Rosario applauded the initiative

and involvement demonstrated by Dosteen staff towards effectively implementing the management system. The audit was found conforming to all aspects of the scope verified and organisation had implemented the standard requirements to its best.

"The quality management system has been adopted to understand the needs and requirements of our valued customers, enhance their satisfaction and continually improve upon the process. The Dosteen management thanked Simon Joseph, GM, AWME, for the orientation, documentation and implementation assist and providing the timely training and consultation support leading to successful certification process," said Saju Abraham.

Management appreciated the teamwork and commendable performance shown by the each and every staff especially the core team led by, Remya (QMR) and Allan.

The programme concluded with company's website launch, performance awards followed by dinner with elite gathering including clients, stakeholders, suppliers, officials, well wishers and staff.

## AWARENESS



### Second 'FOD Walk' held at Muscat airport

**MUSCAT:** More than 250 volunteers participated in the second 'FOD Walk 2014' held recently at the Muscat International Airport. The event was organised by the Muscat International Airport and was joined by major stakeholders like Royal Oman Police, Public Authority for Civil Aviation, Oman Air and other major Airlines, says a press release.

"FOD" is defined as any object, live or not, located in an inappropriate location in the airside that has the capacity to injure airport or air carrier personnel and damage aircraft.

The purpose of the event was to raise awareness on the subject of FOD and the importance of keeping the airside FOD-free. The event which witnessed an overwhelming response from enthusiastic participants and stakeholders was opened with a safety brief informing the participants about the safety do's and don'ts around the apron area. The participants, who were divided into six different teams separated by colours ventured into the apron area to collect FOD, and were supervised by trained personnel from Oman Airports Management Company. At the end of the event the participants were ranked and rewarded for best performance.

"Innovation is the future and we have to constantly think new

ideas and implement them to stay ahead of times in the coming competent times."

Today, whether we are the airport operators, the regulators, airlines of the security agencies, we represent one fraternity, the air travel family/fraternity and our aim is one. That is, to make the air travel pleasant, comfortable and above all safe," said Sheikh Aimen bin Ahmed Al Hosni, general manager, Muscat International Airport.

"The most civilised thing to do is to constantly thank one another every once a while for the support we extend to each other, to share with each other new ideas that can benefit all concerned and most importantly to come together for a common cause to work as one team, one family. That is why we are here today. We at OAMC constantly think of ideas to develop our employees through workshops, trainings and such educative and informative events. We have seen tremendous enthusiasm in all the participants and we thank them for making this event a success and showing excellent sportsman spirit by complying to safety rules, regulations and working on the apron side in the summer heat. We are very encouraged by the response of our participants," he added.

## MUSAHAMATEE INITIATIVE

### Millennium Resort Musannah extends support to Dar Al Atta'a

**MUSANNAH:** Millennium Resort Musannah has donated OMR1,000 to non-profit charitable organisation Dar Al Atta'a as part of the Musahamatee initiative that allows guests at the resort to donate OMR1 directly from their hotel or dining bill, says a press release.

This marks the first occasion since launching the programme in July 2013 that the resort has donated to Dar Al Atta'a in support of their social initiatives in Al Batinah.

Maurice De Rooij, general man-

ager of the Millennium Resort Musannah, presented Maryam Al Zadjali and Samirah Sultan from Dar Al Atta'a and Bariya Al Siyabi the CSR Manager in Omran with the donation made on behalf of guests and staff at the resort.

Millennium Resort Musannah was the first hotel in Oman to sign up to the Musahamatee initiative, a corporate social responsibility (CSR) programme established by Omran to assist with social development in the community.



## MINI-FESTIVAL AMBIENCE

### FRIENDi mobile conducts road show at Salalah



**SALALAH:** Continuing their string of fun-filled events, FRIENDi mobile, Oman's third largest mobile service provider held their nationwide roadshow at Salalah last weekend.

Prior to this, they enthralled audiences in Rustaq and Nakhal. The roadshow that was flagged off on December 6, 2013 aims at creating an evening filled with lots of fun, gifts, prizes and revelry while interacting with people across the Sultanate.

Present at Lulu parking, Ouqad and Thumrait, the big FRIENDi truck drew huge crowds during all three days of the roadshow. Becoming somewhat like a mini-festival for the people of Salalah, the youth turned out to be the most excited and vibrant of all the participants. And to make sure that their friends and family not present at the venue

didn't miss out on all the fun, many clicked pictures with their smartphones around the FRIENDi truck and shared it on various social mediums. The event was being promoted heavily on the Arabic radio channels and as a result of which residents from neighbouring towns like Mirbat and Taqah too drove all the way to join in the fun.

Adnan Al Alawi, COO, FRIENDi mobile Oman said, "We have been delivering the highest quality and most diverse plans for over five years now. Our customers are what make us successful and in order to get to know them better, we decided to go to them instead of making them come to us.

"Our roadshow has been a tremendous hit so far and has given us valuable insights into what our

customers want, need and expect from us."

With the aim of moving even closer to its customers, the campaign will cover two locations every weekend to eventually interact with residents at around 30 locations across Oman. Visitors got to experience the various benefits of being a FRIENDi customer from FRIENDi's well trained staff while existing customers discovered many more features and options being offered by their favourite mobile service provider.

Customers can also buy FRIENDi SIMs and recharge cards, choose new and fancy numbers or switch from their existing mobile service provider without changing their number. Many also utilised the opportunity to avail attractive deals on Samsung handset bundles.