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මුළු මහත් ලෝකයම අධිපණ කළ COVID-19 වසංගත තත්වය යටතේ වුවත් ඉතා සාර්ථකව, ගෙවී ගිය වර්ෂයකට වැඩි කාලයක් පුරාවට, අප ශ්‍රාවක ජන සමූහයට කිසිදු අඩුපාඩුවක් නොදැනෙන්නට 'අරුණැල්ල' මෙන්ම 'සඳැල්ල', අපගේ ගුවන් විදුලි වැඩ සටහන් ද්විත්වය විකාශනය කරන්නට හැකිවීම අප වැඩසටහන් සම්පාදක සහ තාක්ෂණික ශිල්පීන් සතු හැකියාව සහ කැපවීම මොනවට ප්‍රදර්ශනය කිරීමක් වන අතරම, කවර දුෂ්කරතා මධ්‍යයේ වුවද සැමදාමත් තම වගකීම් නිසි අයුරින් ඉටුකරන කණ්ඩායමක් බව සනිටුහන් කිරීමකි. මෙම සුවිශේෂී දායකත්වය වෙනුවෙන් අප වැඩසටහන් සම්පාදකවරුන්, තාක්ෂණික ශිල්පීන් සහ ඒ සඳහා නන් අයුරින් සහය දැක්වූ ඔබ සැමට මාගේ ගෞරවණීය ප්‍රණාමය පුද කරමි.

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ඒ සමඟම, අපගේ 4EB ශ්‍රී ලාංකීය ගුවන් විදුලි කණ්ඩායමේ මූල්‍ය සාමාජික සාමාජිකාවන් මෙන්ම, සිංහල නාළිකාවේ මාහැඟිටු පාර්ශ්වකරුවන් වන ඔබ සැම, 4EB ප්‍රජා ගුවන්විදුලිය තුළ ශ්‍රී ලාංකීය අපේ හඬ ජීවමාන කරන්නට උර දෙන වැදගත්ම පිරිස බව මම කෘතඥතාපූර්වකව සිහිපත් කරමි.



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Queensland Seniors Month: October

Beginning on the United Nations International Day of Older Persons the month will end on National Grandparents Day, 31 October.

Seniors Month aims to:

- improve community attitudes towards older people and ageing.
- facilitate community participation and activity by older people, including those from Indigenous and culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.
- enhance community connections and inter-generational relationships.

This aligns with the Queensland Government's and Council on the Ageing (COTA) Queensland's vision of building Age-friendly communities in Queensland.

Courtesy: <https://qldseniorsmonth.org.au/about/>

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Anecdotes of Everard Andrado – Leonard Woolf and Henry Engelbrecht

Everard Andrado, a long-time resident of Brisbane called Hambantota home. Here are some anecdotes, he proudly shared with both of us.



Leonard Woolf with his staff at the Hambantota Kachcheri. Engelbrecht is in the row behind Woolf on his left

Leonard Woolf, was the Assistant Government Agent in Hambantota during 1908-1911. He was a friend of Patrick Andrado, Everard's father who also served the Government.

Henry Engelbrecht, was another interesting character that lived in Hambantota during this period.

He was a Boer (a South African of Dutch/German descent), one of 5000 imprisoned in Ceylon by the British, during the Second Boer War (1899 -1902). This was a war, fought between the British Empire and two independent South African Boer states (Republic of Transvaal and the Orange Free State) over the control of gold mines in these states.

At the end of the Boer war in 1902, these prisoners were allowed to return to South Africa, provided that they accepted the British supremacy and signed an oath of allegiance to the Crown. Henry Engelbrecht and a few others refused to do so and consequently detained in Ceylon. Engelbrecht spent a tough life in Hambantota until 1906, when Woolf's predecessor appointed him the Warden of the Yala Game Sanctuary.

Woolf accompanied Engelbrecht in his hunting trips and improved skills in shooting and tracking. According to Woolf, Engelbrecht was disliked in Hambantota, because he used to treat the residents of

Hambantota similar to the way the Boers treated Africans in South Africa. Woolf also had described Engelbrecht as 'a cold-blooded man, without any fear'.

In May 1911, Woolf sailed back to England, on a year's break from work. Before leaving Ceylon, Woolf presented his rifle to Everard's father, Patrick. This rifle was in the Andrado family until the Government ordered all private weapons had to be surrendered.

Instead of returning to Hambantota as planned, Leonard Woolf decided to resign in early 1912. That same year, he married Virginia Stephen (Virginia Woolf, the famous author). Perhaps, inspired by his wife, Woolf started writing books after marriage. His first novel "The Village in the Jungle," based on his experience in Hambantota was published in 1913.

Meanwhile, Engelbrecht continued to live in Hambantota. Apparently, during the First World War, Engelbrecht had supplied cattle to the crew from the German warship "Emden" that had sailed to Kirinda. The British authorities acting on this rumour, arrested and detained him in the military barracks in Kandy without even a trial. After his release, he was reinstated as the Warden at Yala. He died in 1928 and was buried in a cemetery in Hambantota.

Leonard Woolf visited Ceylon In 1960, and was amazed at the welcome he received. He died from a stroke in 1969, and his ashes are buried alongside his wife (Virgina) in Sussex, England.

Everard Andrado

Everard Andrado passed away on the 19th of July 2021 at the age of 90. Unfortunately, he did not get the opportunity to read this story about the place he loved most.

Chamendra & Nimesh Hewavisenthi



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Youth Corner: Making the Best out of the Pandemic

When I moved from Sri Lanka to Brisbane in February of 2020 to pursue my higher education, I was excited to get started on this new chapter in my life. However, little did I know a pandemic will hit the following month and have other plans for me.

Being someone who was a self-proclaimed introvert, being in lockdown didn't affect me negatively. It was great to have some time for myself and to focus on studies, all from the comfort of my room. One day I decided to start trying some new things as I had a lot of time in my hands, searching my university's student portal I came across a student mentor volunteering role. I decided to apply for it even though I had no confidence whatsoever, and was horrible at public speaking. As such, I would not have been the ideal "mentor" for students. But I knew I had to take that leap to step out of my comfort zone and fight my fears. As time passed by, I noticed myself being more outgoing and started getting involved in a bunch of clubs and programs.

One of those clubs was the QUT Sri Lankan Students Association, which, without a doubt, made me a completely different person compared to who I was a year ago. Joining the executive committee as the social media coordinator really gave me a chance to express my creativity in graphic design, helped me learn about the different social media platforms and most importantly it gave me the opportunity to meet a lot of new people who are some of my best friends today. Adding onto this, as one of my hobbies ever since I was 10 years old was photography, I decided to bring my camera to club events and take photos to showcase on our social media channels, which was one of the best decisions I had made. Having no experience in event photography, these photos I took at our club events acted as a portfolio of my work, which helped me land my first photography gig in Brisbane. The more I photographed at these events,

the more people I met, and they would let me know how much they like my photography and would later hire me to take photos of their birthdays or personal events. It has been a surreal experience because from the time I came here, I did not think I will be running my own freelance photography business, RF Photography.

Don't get me wrong. Although it seems everything's going great, it does get lonely at times. From not being able to see my parents in person or not being able to have those late-night conversations with my sister, I have come to appreciate the things I took for granted. One thing about this pandemic: I am grateful for the mental fortitude I have developed and the person it has moulded me into. My message to anyone reading this is that tough times like this won't last forever. However, when you are faced with uncertainty, make the best out of it! Surround yourself with likeminded people and never be afraid to try new things.

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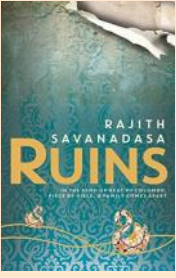
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Book Review: Ruins by Rajith Savanadasa



Australian-Sri Lankan writer, Rajith Savanadasa's beautifully crafted debut novel "Ruins" is centred around the Herath family.

Ruins is loosely based on the Sandakada Pahana with its circular bands, one of which contains a procession of animals, each representing a stage of life: the elephant (birth), the bull (decay), the lion (disease) and the horse (death). In another band is the swan, representing discernment between good and evil. At the centre of these circles is the lotus, representing enlightenment.

Each character represents a symbol on the Sandakada Pahana. They are all discontented with their lives and yearning for more, each on their own journey from one state of being to the next.

Latha's brother wants her to return to their village but what will she do there? Latha has been at Mano Mahaththaya and Lakshmi Nona's since before Niranjan Baby was born and he is 23 now and wants to be called "mahaththaya" himself. She was 16 when she came to Herat household, which is how old Anoushka Baby is now.

Mano likes to think he's a good husband, a good father, a good newspaper editor. He's not sure why the people around him are unhappy. Mano wants the old Lakshmi back, the fun one. Burdened by having to keep the peace at home and at work, Mano turns to what his wife refers to as "fire water", for a bit of relief.

Lakshmi tires to be a "good Tamil", one that is acceptable to society, unproblematic and apolitical. "Ammi isn't really Tamil", says Niranjan, "she's like one of us". However, having kept a tight rein on her identity for decades is wearing Lakshmi down. When an overseas based acquaintance reaches out to Lakshmi to search for a missing Tamil boy, Lakshmi is faced with a dilemma.

Niranjan returns to his home country after a five year study stint in Australia. He wants to achieve things, make his mark, show them all up. He needs capital for his start-up and for his parents to leave him alone to get on with his life.

Anoushka is trying to hide her punk rock obsession because everyone already thinks she's a bit different. The pressures of her impending O-Levels, her strained friendship with former best friend Natalie, feeling isolated, friendless, and stifled, Anoushka is reaching breaking point which culminates in a distressing incident that shakes the Herath household to its core.

Based in 2009, during the last heady months of the civil war; the past and the present, the old and the new collide unravelling secrets, fears, and desires. Ruins is about identity and of identity crisis. It is about finding oneself and reaching a state of being content in simply being.



Nimandra Gunasekera

Nimandra works in the oil and gas industry, enjoys reading and dabbling in a bit of writing

Research study exploring mental health in the Sri Lankan community of Australia

Western Sydney University is conducting a survey of the Sri Lankan community in Australia to learn how they seek help for mental health concerns. The survey is a research project conducted by Western Sydney University Clinical Psychology Masters student Ms Makavitage Ravina Perera (Ravina) and supervised by Dr Roy Laube. The survey asks participants to respond to six situations described in brief examples. The survey can be completed in English or Sinhala using the link below.

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Colombian Exchange: Effects on Sri Lanka's Culinary Landscape

Colombian exchange is the anthropological term describing the exchange of produce between the New World (Americas and the Caribbean) and the Old World. This trade was primarily facilitated by the first exploration of Portuguese and Spanish seafarers who not only introduced the fruits and vegetables to their native lands, but also across their colonies.

The Columbian Exchange has played an integral role in sculpting the culinary landscape of Sri Lanka. Many fruits and vegetables believed to be quintessentially Sri Lankan have their roots in the Americas. The following are a small sample of the vast number of edible items introduced to Sri Lanka from the Americas:

Fruits: Avocado, Chilli Peppers, Guava, Papaya, Passion Fruit, Pine apple, Tomatoes

Vegetables: Corn, Manioc, Potatoes, Pumpkin, Sweet Potatoes

Nuts: Brazil Nuts, Cashew, Peanuts, Pecans

Beans: Kidney, Lima, Navy

Others: Cacao (Chocolate), Coriander, Vanilla, Tobacco, Rubber



The aforementioned items are now an integral part of Sri Lankan food and gastronomy. Many of us take a pride in the exceptional quality of Sri Lankan fruits and have been raised on vivid memories of biting into juicy pineapples, ripe guava, and fragrant fried cashews. The quintessential Sri Lanka breakfast features 'ala

hodi' (potato curry) and fiery lunch time curries like 'maalu mirisata' (fish curry) rely entirely on fragrant chillies for their characteristic burn. Generations of Sri Lankans may recall labouring over a steaming pot of 'kothamalli' (coriander), the universal remedy for respiratory illnesses prescribed by Sri Lankan parents. Many of us have indulged in a richly flavoured bar of chocolate or have become familiar with the astringent and earthy whiff of tobacco in a 'bulath wita' (betel), whilst being entirely unaware of the non-native origins of these foods.

Enjoyment of these sensory delicacies often occurs without an appreciation of the vast exchange of Native American and Caribbean produce brought to Sri Lanka by Portuguese and other seafarers. These seafarers, many of whom settled and intermarried into the Sri Lankan community integrated these goods into local cuisine, leaving us as the proud beneficiaries of cashew and pineapple curries.

In our experience, an understanding of this fascinating part of Sri Lankan history is likely to heighten and render our food experiences richer and more fulfilling. An appreciation of these influences will facilitate nuanced discussions about the delicately interwoven web of influences that characterise the culinary history of our little island and its eminence in global trade networks.

Randika Jayakody and Jerome Perera



Among Randika and Jerome's many interests is a deep passion to understand Sri Lankan history and culture. This has been facilitated through exposure to multiculturalism through their travels and living experiences in multiple countries.

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Dr. Jagath Wellawatta to be Appointed HC to Australia

Sri Lanka Insurance Corporation (SLIC) Chairman Dr. Jagath Wellawatta has been nominated as High Commissioner-designate to Australia.

Dr. Wellawatta's corporate experience spans across a spectrum of diverse fields, encompassing high level decision making within the private sector, to policy making at national level. In his long history in the capacity of driving national policy, Dr. Wellawatta served as the Chairman of the State Mortgage and Investment Bank (from May 2010 to January 2015) and was the former Chairman of the National Child Protection Authority (from April 2007 to May 2010). He also served as the Chairman of the Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment (from December 2005 to April 2007).



Supporting the formulation of national policies through his academic career as a practicing sociologist, Wellawatta served as a Senior Lecturer at the Department of Sociology, University of Colombo.

He has nearly 29 years of experience in the academic field. His academic qualifications include a Bachelor of Arts (Hon.) in Development Sociology from the University of Colombo, a Master of Family Sociology from the University of Colombo and an MPhil in Political Sociology from the University of Sri Jayawardenepura.

He also completed his PhD in Political Sociology, at the University of Colombo.

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නාලන්ද විද්‍යාලයේ සිසුවෙකු ලෙසින් තම සාහිත්‍යය, ලේඛන කලාවට අත්පොත් තැබූ මිල්ටන්, ශ්‍රී ලංකා පාර්ලිමේන්තුවේ ප්‍රධාන කාරකසභා නිලධාරීවරයා වශයෙන් අවුරුදු 22ක් සේවය කළේය. ඉන් අනතුරුව, රූපවාහිනියේ ආරම්භක ප්‍රවෘත්ති වැඩ සටහන් නිෂ්පාදකවරයෙකු

වශයෙන් කළ එළි දුටු ඔහු, රූපවාහිනිය ශ්‍රී ලංකාවේ ස්ථාපිත කිරීමේ පුරෝගාමියෙක් විය. පසුව පුර්ණකාලීනව ලේඛන කලාවට යොමුවූ මිල්ටන්ගේ පන්තිදෙන් ලියැවුණු සාහිත්‍යය කෘතීන් අතර, 'සම්මාන සංදාම වෙළුම්' 1 සහ 2 (නෝබෙල් සම්මාන ලාභීන්ගේ කෙටිකතා), 'සත්කුළු පව්ව මනින' (සොළොස් භාෂා ආසියානු කෙටිකතා) සහ මිසර ලේඛිකාවකගේ කතා පරිවර්තනයක් ලෙස පළ කළ 'විරාගී විලාසිනී' නවකතාව පාඨකයන්ගේ ඉමහත් පැසසුමට ලක්විය. 1995 දී ඔස්ට්‍රේලියාවට සංක්‍රමණය වීමෙන් අනතුරුව වසර 13ක පමණ කාලයක් කැන්බරා සහ සිඩ්නි නුවර දිවි ගෙවූ මෙම සම්මානනීය ශ්‍රී ලාංකිකයා අද බ්‍රිස්බේන් හි ස්ථිර පදිංචිකරුවෙකි.

තම අප්‍රතිභත ධෛර්යය ඔස්සේ, වසර ගණනාවක් තිස්සේ හඹා ගියාටු, ඒ පර්යේෂණ ප්‍රවීණ මනින්, ඔහු විසින් රචිත 'ආභාරපාන පුරාණේ' විශේෂිත කෘතියක් වන්නේ, මෙම විෂය පථය පිළිබඳ සිංහල බසින් ලියැවුණු පළමු කෘතිය මෙය විය හැකි බැවිනි.

මෙම කෘතිය මගින්, සංස්කෘතික, භූගෝලීය හෝ දේශපාලන සාධක කෙතරම් දුරට මානවයාගේ ආභාර රටාවලට බලපෑමක් කලාද යන්න පාඨකයා තුළ මැනවින් පැහැදිලි කරයි.

පැරැණි ශිලා යුගයෙන් පටන් ගන්නා මෙම වෘත්තාන්තය ශ්‍රී ලංකාවේ ආවේණික ආභාර පාන පරිභෝජනයෙන් සමාජන වෙයි.

ඉතා විශාල පරාසයක ලියවෙන, ආදී මානවයා සහ ඔහුගේ ආභාර රටා පුරාණය, කතාවරයා විසින් ඉතා සිත්ගන්නා සුළු සාහිත්‍යයමය, සුමට භාෂා පරිශීලනයක් තුළින්, පාඨකයා වෙත ඉදිරිපත් කෙරෙයි.

ඉන්දියාවේ ලෝක සභාව ඇතුළු ප්‍රාන්ත සභා කිහිපයක වගේම, එංගලන්තය, පකිස්ථානය, චීනය, ජපානය, කොරියාව රටවල පාර්ලිමේන්තු ව්‍යවස්ථාවන් හදාරන අතරතුර, ඒ ඒ රටවලට ආවේනිකවූ ආභාරපාන, හෝජන ගැන සිදුකලාවූ විමර්ශණයන්හි ප්‍රවීණ, ඔහුට තම කෘතියට එක් කරගැනීමට පහසුවක් විය.

'ආභාරපාන පුරාණේ' කෘතිය සම්පාදනය කිරීමේදී, තමා රසවිඳි ඒ අත්දැකීම් බොහොමයක් සමඟින්, මිල්ටන් මීට පෙර අවස්ථා දෙකකදී අප ගුවන් විදුලිය 'අරුණැල්ල' සමඟ කතාබහට එක් විය.

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Varsha De Silva

Popular Singer Sunil Perera Passes Away

Former Veteran singer, musician and leader of the popular band 'Gypsies', Sunil Perera has passed away on 6 September at the age of 68 due to COVID-19.



Ivor Sylvester Sunil Perera, popularly known as Sunil Perera, was a true veteran of the Sri Lankan music industry and a much-loved figure among artistes and fans alike.

Sunil Perera and his brother Piyal have been part of the 'Gypsies', one of the biggest and most famous musical bands in the country, for

the past three decades with multiple hit albums and sold-out concerts in Sri Lanka and abroad.

In 1969 as soon as he left school, Sunil joined the band The Gypsies created by his father, Anton Perera along with his brothers – Nihal, Lal, Nimal, Piyal and several others. Their first hit 'Linda Langa Sangamaya' was released in 1972/1973 along with 'Amma Amma Me Mata'.

In 1980, Gypsies released their first cassette tape with the song 'Kurumitto'. Other famous hits sung by Gypsies include 'Kadapathakin', 'None Mage Sudu None' (1977), 'Lunu Dehi' (1987), 'Oye Ojaye' (1989), 'Piti Kotapan None' and 'Signore' (1997).

Sunil's recent works include the popular songs such as 'I don't know why' which addresses mere sociopolitical issues through humor and 2017's 'Koththamalli'.

Courtesy: <http://www.adaderana.lk/>

A New Toastmasters Club in the Southside of Brisbane

Brisbane Leaders Toastmasters Club held a function recently to celebrate founding of the Club. Toastmasters International is a non-profit educational organisation that teaches public speaking and leadership skills through a worldwide network of clubs. The organisation's membership exceeds 300,000 in more than 15,800 clubs in 149 countries. Since 1924, Toastmasters International has helped people from various backgrounds become more confident speakers, communicators, and leaders.

Out of the twenty charter (founder) members of the club, ten are of Sri Lankan origin. Its members come from diverse professional and cultural backgrounds.

Members present their prepared speeches, typically of 5-7 minutes duration, and get opportunities to speak impromptu for 1-2 minutes each. All speeches are evaluated by other Toastmasters who provide constructive feedback on what the speaker did well and offer suggestions for improvement.



At the charter dinner, members were inducted by Robert Green; District 69 Director of Toastmasters International. The Club Officers were installed by Graham Cairns; Eastern Division Director. The club sponsors are Anil Perera and Katya Skorik. Club mentor is Zenda Foon. Jagath Wanigasekera was awarded the Toastmaster of the Year award.

Brisbane Leaders Toastmasters Club meets on 1st and 3rd Friday of each month from 6.45pm to 8.45pm at the Garden City Library, Upper Mt Gravatt. If you'd like to attend a club meeting as a guest, please contact the club by email: brisbaneleaders.tm@gmail.com or call 0416 012 099.

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වේදිකාව, රිදී නිරය, පුවි නිරය, එහෙම නැත්නම් කවියක්, ගීතයක්, කෙටි කතාවක්, නව කතාවක් වැනි කලා කෘතියක් නිර්මාණකරණයේදී හමුවන විවිධාකාරවූ රසවත් සිද්ධීන් එමටයි. මෙම කතා බහ අහ දැනගන්න, බෙදා හදාගන්න, මං දන්නවා කලාකාරී අපි හැමෝම කැමැත්තක්, රුවකත්වයක් දක්වනවා කියල. කෙලින්ම නොකීවට, අපි කවුරු කවුරුත් gossip අහන්නත් මනාපයි නේ.

ඔබ දන්නා, අපි නොදන්න, නිරය පිටිපස්සේ ඇතිවන රසවත් සිද්ධීන්, බෙදා හදා ගැනීමේ උත්සාහයක් හැටියට මෙම කොලම ඔබට විවෘතයි. සමහර වෙලාවට මේ අතරේ ඉතා අනුවේදනීයවූ, දුක්මුසු කතා බහත් තියෙනවා. කතාවේ මුණ ගැහෙන, ඒ කාටවත් උපහාසයක්, අපහාසයක් නොවන විධියට, අපි ලියමු.



කණ්ඩායම් සංගීතයේ සොයුරු ආදාදායකයා...!!!

දක්ෂ ගායකයෙකු, වාදකයකු, සංගීතඥයකු මෙන්ම ගීත රචකයකු වශයෙන්, ශ්‍රී ලංකාවේ සංගීත ක්ෂේත්‍රයේ විජලවීය වෙනසක් සිදුකළ, කණ්ඩායම් සංගීතයේ දැවැන්තයකු වූ GYPSIES සංගීත කණ්ඩායමේ නායක සුනිල් පෙරේරා පසුගිය සැප්තැම්බර් 6 වැනිදා දැයෙන් සමුඛත්තේය.



උස්වත්ත ලියනගේ අයිවෝ සිල්වෙස්ටර් සුනිල් පෙරේරා, 1952 සැප්තැම්බර් 14 වන දින මොරටුවේදී උපුන් දස දෙනෙකුගෙන් යුත් පවුලේ දෙවෙනි දරුවා ලෙස උපත ලැබීය. සංගීතයට ආදරය කල තම පියා විසින් ඇරඹී GYPSIES සංගීත කණ්ඩායමට, 1969 වසරේදී පාසලෙන් ඉවත් වූ සැනින් සම්බන්ධ වූයේ, සිය සොයුරු පියල්, නිහාල්, ලාල්, නිමල් සහ ඥාති සහෝදරයන් දෙදෙනෙක් සමඟින් සංගීත ක්ෂේත්‍රයට අවතීර්ණ වෙමිනි.

තම සහජ කුසලතාවයන් විදහාපාමින්, ඉතා ඉක්මනින්ම දක්ෂ ගීටාර් වාදකයකු වූ සුනිල්, මෙරට සංගීත ක්ෂේත්‍රයට, සංගීත වේදිකාවට නව ආරක ගී ගැයීමේ ක්‍රමවේදයක් හඳුන්වාදෙන්නේ, එතෙක් යල් පැනගිය, සාම්ප්‍රදායික ගමන් මහක යමින් තිබූ මෙරට කණ්ඩායම් සංගීතය උඩුගිටිකරු කරමිනි.

GYPSIES සංගීත කණ්ඩායම ගායනා කළ ගීත සියල්ල තුළම පාහේ ප්‍රේක්ෂක ආකර්ෂණය දිනාගැනීමේ කිසියම් අදාශ්‍යමානවූ බලයක් විය. ඒ ඉන්ද්‍රජාලිකයා, මැජික්කරුවා අනෙකකු නොව සුනිල්ය. ඔහුගේ හඬ පෞරුෂය, ගායන රිද්මය මෙන්ම, ගායනය ඉදිරිපත් කිරීමේ කලාව, විලාශය, මෙරට ප්‍රේක්ෂක ආකර්ෂණයේ රහස විය. ප්‍රේක්ෂකයන්ට එය නැවුම් අත්දැකීමක් විය.

සිය සංගීත කණ්ඩායම ක්ෂේත්‍රයේ ඉහළින්ම රඳවා තබාගැනීම සඳහා සිදු කළ යුතු නව අත්හදාබැලීම්, කණ්ඩායම් කළමනාකරණය, නව තාක්ෂණය සමඟ මුසුවීම ආදී කරුණු කාරණා පිළිබඳ සුනිල් සිටියේ මනා අවදියකින් සහ අවබෝධයකින්. GYPSIES සංගීත කණ්ඩායම ශ්‍රී ලංකාවේ එතෙක්, මෙතෙක් වැඩිම කාලයක්, වසර 40 කට වැඩි කාලයක් අඛණ්ඩව සංගීත ක්ෂේත්‍රයේ පැවැත්මට එය විශේෂ හේතුවක් වූණ බව තමයි මගේ හැඟීම.

සුනිල් ගේ බොහෝ ගීත තුළ අප දකින සුවිශේෂී ලක්ෂණයක් වන්නේ එහි අඩංගු උපහාස රසයයි. ගීත රචකයෙකු වශයෙන්ද, උපහාසාත්මකව ගේය පද ගැලපීමේ හැකියාව ඔහුට මනාව පිහිටා තිබිණි. උපහාස රසයෙන් යුතු පද බැඳීමට මෙන්ම, එකී ගුණය උද්දිපනය වන අන්දමින් ගායනා කිරීමේ උපන් හපන්කමක්ද සුනිල්ට පිහිටා තිබිණ. සමාජයේ විවිධ දුර්වල ස්ථානයන් මෙන්ම, ශ්‍රී ලංකාවේ ජරාපීර්ණ දේශපාලන ක්‍රියාදාමයේ යම් යම් අශෝඛත සිද්ධීන්ද, සුනිල් ගේ ගීතවලින් උපහාසයට ලක්කෙරිණි.

සුනිල් ගැසූ ගීත අතරින්, 'ලිද ලහ සංගමය', 'කුරුම්බටෝ', 'අම්මා අම්මා මේ මට', 'ලොරොන්සෝ ද අල්මේදා', 'පිටි කොටපන් නෝනේ', 'අංකල් ජොන්සන්', 'මල්ලිකා', 'ලොවේ සැමා එකම දැයේ', 'ලුණු දෙහි', 'ඕයේ ඔපායේ', 'කොන්තමල්ලි', 'දියවන්නාවේ' බොහෝ ප්‍රේක්ෂක ප්‍රසාදයට ලක් විය.

සුනිල් සිය නිර්මාණ මඟින් පමණක් නොව පෞද්ගලික ජීවිතයේද සෘජු ප්‍රතිපත්තින්හි පිහිටා කටයුතු කළ පුද්ගලයෙකි. සිංහල, දෙමළ , මුස්ලිම්, බර්හර්, බොද්ධ, ක්‍රිස්තියානි, ආදී වශයෙන් බෙදී වෙන්වුණු ජාතික හෝ ආගමික වර්ගවාදය තුළ, ඔහු ශ්‍රී ලාංකික කම, අපේකම සෙව්වේය. ජාති හේද , ආගම හේද, කුල හේද කිසිවක් තුටුවකට මායිම් නොකළ ඔහු ප්‍රාර්ථනා කළේ සියළු ජන කොටස් සමගියෙන්, සමාදානයෙන් වෙසෙන සාමකාමී ශ්‍රී ලංකාවකි.

'ලොවේ සැමා එකම දැයේ - දු දරුවන් වේවා...'
'වාද නැති හේද නැති - ලස්සන ලොව හෙට අපට උදාවේවා..' යනු ඔහුගේ පැතුම විය.

අපි දන්නවා, ලංකාවේ ඉන්න බොහෝ ගායක, ගායිකාවන් සංගීත සංදර්ශනයනට, ඒ වගේ අනෙකුත් මුදල් ලැබෙන්නාවූ උත්සවයන් සඳහා ගීත ගායනා කිරීමේදී ලැබෙන මුදල්, තමන් තනියම භුක්ති විඳිනවා. ඒත් සුනිල් කවමදාකවත් තම නිර්මාණයන් වෙනුවෙන් ගේයපද ලියපු ගීත රචකයන්, සංගීතඥයන් අමතක කළේ නෑ.



තමන්ගේ නිර්මාණ වලට දායකත්වය ලබාදුන් අයට පමණක්ම නොව, වයස්ගතව, අසරණව දිවි ගෙවන කලාකරුවන් රැසක් වෙනුවෙන් ඔහු තම සංගීත කණ්ඩායම ලබන ආදායමින් කොටසක් වෙන් කළේය. තම කණ්ඩායම වෙනුවෙන් බොහොමයක්ම ගී ලියූ හේමසිරි හල්පිට ගේය පද රචකයා අකාලයේ මියගිය විට, ඔහුගේ බිරිඳත් දරුවනුත් වෙනුවෙන් නිවසක් සාදා දෙන්නට තරම් සුනිල්ගේ මනුස්සකම ඉදිරිපත් විය.

සුනිල්ගේ වියෝව කණ වැකුණු W.ජයසිරි කලාකරුවා තම Facebook පිටුවට එකතු කළ, ඊට සමානවූ මිනිසත්බවින් අගනැත් පත් මෙම පුවත සමඟින් අද සටහන නිමා කරමි.

සැප්තැම්බර් පලමුවෙනිදා, ඒ කියන්නෙ හරියටම දවස් පහකට ඉස්සෙල්ලා පාන්දර 6.30ට විතර මට ෆෝන් කෝල් එකක් ආවා, සුනිල් පෙරේරාගෙන්.

" මම, මට email කරල උඹේ account number එක එවපං. මගේ email එක මතක තියාගන්න හරිම ලේසියි, noproblempereera@gmail.com "

මම ඇහුව, "මොකද මේ හදිසියේම".
"ඇයි මම, මගේ birthday එක ලහයි නේ...".

සුනිල්, හැම අවුරුද්දේම එයාගෙ උපන්දිනය දාට, සැප්තැම්බර් 14දාට, 'ලොරොන්සෝ ද අල්මේදා - කොලොම්නොටට යහපත් නාවිකයා...'
ගීතය ලියූ මටත් එහි සංගීතය නිර්මාණය කල කාලෝ විජේසිරිටත් කතාහාගය හැටියට එක්කෙනෙකුට රුපියල් 25,000 ගානෙ රුපියල් 50,000ක් ගෙවනවා.

කාලෝ විජේසිරි මියගියත්, ඔහුගේ බිරිඳට ඒ මුදල තැපැල් මගින් යවනවා.

අපි ඉල්ලල නෙමෙයි, සුනිල්ම හිතල ස්වකැමැත්තෙන් සිදුවන දෙයක්. මේක 2016 අවුරුද්දේ ඉඳල හැම අවුරුද්දේම සුනිල් ගෙ උපන්දිනය දවසට ඒ වැඩේ වෙනවා.

මම සුනිල්ගෙන් ඇහුවම, ඇ යි උඹ මෙහෙම අපිට මේ වගේ හැම අවුරුද්දේම ගෙවන්නෙ කියල.

එතකොට සුනිල්ගෙ පිළිතුර වුණේ ...උඹ ලියපු සිංදුව හරිම ජනප්‍රියයි, ඒ සිංදුව මම නාම මගේ shows වල sing කරල මම හම්බ කරනවා, ඉතිං උඹටත් ඒ සල්ලිවලින් ගාණක් අයිතියි.

මේ අවුරුද්දේ, ඒ කටයුත්ත වෙනදට වඩා කලින්, සැප්තැම්බර් පළමුදිනේම කරන්න සුනිල් ඇයි තීරණය කලේ කියල මම ඇහුවෙ නෑ.

ඔහු සත්තකින්ම යුග පුරුෂයෙකි. වචනයේ පරිසමාප්ත අර්ථයෙන්ම 'LEGEND' කෙනෙකි. ආදරණීය සුනිල් අය්යේ, ඔබට සුබ ගමන්...!!!

සමන්මල් ගුණරත්න
මෙම සටහන ප්‍රසිද්ධ පුවත්පත්, අන්තර්ජාලය තුලින් ලබා ගත් ලිපි ඇසුරින් නිමවූ බව කරුණාවෙන් සලකන්න.

දෙව් යැදුමෙන් පතනා සහන

දෙවියනි විෂ්ණු කඳ සුරිදුනි	විබිෂණ
සුමන සමන් සුරිදුනි ලක රැක	දෙවන
සක් දෙව් රජුනි පඩුසුලසුන වැඩ	වසන
යදිනා මෙආප වෙත දිව නෙන් හෙළනු	මැණ
මිතුරන් විලස හතුරන් වෙස් වලා	ගෙන
රුදු ගති සභවගෙන සිනාව පුරව	ගෙන
අහේ ඉදන් කණ කන හැටි බලා	ගෙන
දෙවියෝ සුසුම් ලනි දිවැසුන් වසා	ගෙන
කැලෑ සතුන් මෙන් ඇණ පැන සපා	කණ
උතුම් මිනිස්කම නොතකා සතුන්	මෙන
මිනුසුන් කරණ නොමිනිස්කම බලා	ගෙන
දෙවියෝ මවිතවී ඇත දිවැසුන් වසා	ගෙන
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Stories Behind Names of Places in Sri Lanka: How “Kiribathgoda” got its Name

Many names of places in Sri Lanka are linked to incidents with Kings. But today we are looking into a different kind of story linked to the British period.

It is “Kiribathgoda”, now a prominent place in modern Sri Lanka. The Colombo Kandy Road goes through “Kiribathgoda” and one could see the progress that has taken place in the Kiribathgoda town within the past two decades. This is today a popular shopping city and the land value too has skyrocketed.

Let us look at the meaning of the word “KIRIBATHGODA”. The Sinhala word “Kiri” means milk.” “Bath” means rice and “goda” means pile. So the complete meaning of the word “KIRI-BATH-GODA” is a “pile of milk rice”.

During the period before the Western invasion of the country, all this area was known as Kelaniya. Kelaniya was and is a sacred city of the country and to the Buddhists it is a blessed place where the lord Buddha has visited. People from all parts of the country came to worship Kelaniya and they had to cross the Kelaniya river to reach the temple. So, there was heavy boat and ferry traffic to take people to the temple.



With the British capturing the country and establishing their power in Colombo, building bridges across the rivers around the capital city became a top priority for economic and safety reasons. They wanted a network of good roads to manage the country and for better transport. So, building a bridge across the Kelani river was begun. It was a landmark event in our history. It had a tremendous impact on the life of the people. It completely crippled the boat and ferry system that prevailed before.

Thousands of people were needed to construct the bridge. It was done solely with human power. It was a major construction site. Many daily paid workers were hired. They carried their meals with them. Some brought the breakfast as well as lunch with them. The most popular meal that they could carry for both meals was “KIRIBATH” (Milk rice). Thousands of workers left the leftover “KIRIBATH” near the shade trees where they relaxed to have meals. This resulted in a huge pile of “KIRIBATH”. So everyone was talking of the piled “Kiribathgoda”.

That is how the name “Kiribathgoda” came into being for the area adjoining the Kelani bridge.



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Gender Gap in Sri Lanka: Are We Going Backwards?

[This is an extract from the segment in the Arunella radio program aired on August 29, 2021.]

Sri Lanka has one of the highest literacy rates in South Asia. According to UNESCO, the youth literacy rate in females in Sri Lanka is higher than in males with a 99.15% as compared to 98.55% in males. Sri Lanka produced the first female Prime Minister in the world. With this background it is worthwhile exploring how we treat women in Sri Lanka.

Starting from 2006, the Geneva based World Economic Forum has been producing yearly reports on gender equity for individual countries. This Global Gender Gap Report uses the four indicators of economic participation and opportunity, educational attainment, health and survival and political empowerment of women to assess the situation of gender equity in a country. In its 2006 report, Sri Lanka was placed 13 out of 115 countries, even ahead of Australia which was ranked at 15. However, a completely different picture emerged in the latest report for 2021 where Sri Lanka was ranked 116 out of 156 countries. This shows that in the space of just 15 years Sri Lanka has slipped 103 positions in gender equity of women!

While other countries take the gender equity seriously, Sri Lanka has given scant attention to this important aspect. Many other factors have also contributed to this undesirable situation. One is the reduced access to quality employment for women in the country. Even if women do obtain jobs, they are paid far less and are subject to more harassment and limitations as compared to males working in same jobs. Because of patriarchal policies imbedded in the history of this region, women are over-represented in the low-paid, laborious industries of the country such as in the garment sector. Specifically, it is in these jobs that women face a disproportionate amount of labour discrimination and lack of proper wages in the name of international competitiveness and the production of additional jobs. Women continue to be underrepresented in upper-level management and decision-making positions in both the private and public sectors. In addition, the employers, mostly in the private sector, are concerned with women taking leave for childbirth and are inclined to employing men for jobs. As a result, the unemployment rate of women is 36.3% compared to men, which is 21.1%.

Although women have participated fully in exercising their voting rights since universal franchise was introduced in 1931, their representation in political assemblies from Parliament to local councils has

Susil Siriwardena Passes Away



Susil Siriwardena, a distinguished public servant, former Janasaviya Authority, passed away at 83. He was a Policy Maker and Researcher on urban housing and settlements and a Senior Advisor to the National Housing Development Commissioner and the first Chairman of the National Housing Development Authority.

He contributed actively to the 'Gam Udawa' Project under the Presidency of R. Premadasa and pioneered the

Janasaviya movement for the poor.

Susil Siriwardena was implicated in the JVP insurrection in 1971, was questioned and incarcerated for one and a half years before he was released.

A close relative of S.W.R.D. Bandaranaike and educated in Oxford, he returned to Sri Lanka and taught in a remote school in Anuradapura. He was known for his simple national attire and demeanour and rapport with the common people.

Courtesy: <http://www.dailynews.lk/>

been, and continues to be, abysmally low. In 1931 the women participation in parliament was 4%, but it has not increased even up to 6% after 90 years! Even the Ministry of Women and Child Development is not headed by a female minister in Sri Lanka.

Not only the men not giving equal opportunities has contributed to this pathetic situation in Sri Lanka. Women also need to be blamed because, still some women tend to believe that men are superior to them. In a survey conducted by the Department of Census and Statistics in 2019, it was reported that 47.5% of women have stated that men were superior to them!

Currently 52% of the Sri Lankan population is women. It is not a secret that the country is going backward as it has failed to get the due contribution from half of its population!

Sam Fernando

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03	Two Sri Lankans selected in BBC Wildlife Photographer of the Year list	http://www.dailynews.lk/2021/09/03/local/258393/two-sri-lankans-selected-bbc-wildlife-photographer-year-list
08	Sri Lanka unofficially peg rupee to dollar at a fixed rate	https://www.ft.lk/top-story/Mayhem-in-markets/26-722817
08	Top medical professional resigns from COVID Prevention Technical Committee	https://www.ft.lk/news/Top-medical-professional-resigns-from-COVID-Prevention-Technical-Committee/56-722806
08	Foreign Ministry to be relocated to Colombo-7	https://www.ft.lk/front-page/Foreign-Ministry-to-be-relocated-to-Colombo-7/44-722812
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08	Sri Lanka added to US CDC high risk country list	https://economynext.com/sri-lanka-added-to-us-cdc-high-risk-country-list-85918/
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10	Central Bank Governor Prof. W. D. Lakshman to retire next week	http://bizenglish.adaderana.lk/cb-governor-prof-w-d-lakshman-to-retire-next-week/
10	Sunday Times Deputy Editor Namini inducted to prestigious ICIJ	https://www.sundaytimes.lk/210905/news/sunday-times-deputy-editor-namini-inducted-to-prestigious-icij-454580.html
10	Cinnamon Grand Colombo's 'Lagoon' restaurant featured in 'World's 50 Best Restaurants'	https://www.ft.lk/front-page/Cinnamon-Grand-Colombo-s-Lagoon-restaurant-featured-in-World-s-50-Best-Restaurants/44-722864
11	Quarantine curfew extended till 21 Sept.	https://www.ft.lk/front-page/Quarantine-curfew-extended-till-21-Sept/44-722941
11	Manike Mage Hithe song hits 100 million views on YouTube	https://www.dailymirror.lk/breaking_news/Manike-Mage-Hithe-song-hits-100-million-views-on-YouTube/108-220175
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12	Oshini Devindya – the little chess champ	https://www.themorning.lk/oshini-devindya-the-little-chess-champ/
13	Sarvodaya embraces capital market	https://www.ft.lk/top-story/Sarvodaya-embraces-capital-market/26-723000
13	Ajith Nivard Cabraal appointed CBSL Governor once again	http://www.adaderana.lk/news/76889/ajith-nivard-cabraal-appointed-cbsl-governor-once-again
14	Trade deficit triples in July to \$ 607 m	https://www.ft.lk/top-story/Trade-deficit-triples-in-July-to-607-m/26-723032
14	Lasith Malinga announces retirement from all forms of cricket	http://www.adaderana.lk/news/76909/lasith-malinga-announces-retirement-from-all-forms-of-cricket
15	State Minister Lohan Ratwatte resigns	http://www.adaderana.lk/news/76931/state-minister-lohan-ratwatte-resigns
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21	Karunaratne replaces Dalugala as new Monetary Board Secretary	https://www.dailymirror.lk/business-news/Karunaratne-replaces-Dalugala-as-new-Monetary-Board-Secretary/273-220796
21	New Fortress confirms 40% stake in Yugadanavi	https://www.themorning.lk/new-fortress-confirms-40-stake-in-yugadanavi/
26	Spate of resignations in September plagues Govt	https://www.sundaytimes.lk/210926/columns/talk-at-the-cafe-spectator/spate-of-resignations-in-september-plagues-govt-456415.html
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29	Chinese organic fertiliser imports suspended	https://www.themorning.lk/chinese-organic-fertiliser-imports-suspended/
29	Fully-vaccinated travellers exempt from on-arrival PCR starting 1 Oct.	https://www.ft.lk/news/Fully-vaccinated-travellers-exempt-from-on-arrival-PCR-starting-1-Oct/56-723632
30	Quarantine curfew to be lifted tomorrow	https://www.ft.lk/front-page/Quarantine-curfew-to-be-lifted-tomorrow/44-723643

The Month of October

The name October derives from the Latin 'Octo' which means eight. However, with the many changes to original Roman calendar, it is now the 10th month!

October marks many significant days. Starting with 1st celebrating International Older Persons, 2nd is International Day of Non-Violence. In 2021, World Habitat Day falls on 4th and 5th is World Teachers' Day. World Mental Health Day observed on 10th raises awareness of the role of the individual to prevent suicide.

11th is dedicated to the Girl Child and 13th to Disaster Risk Reduction. 14th marks World Sight Day raising awareness of the vision impairment and blindness and World Standards Day, the importance of standardization to the global economy. Global Handwashing Day, White Cane Day are marked on 15th and World Student Day which pays respect to A.P.J. Abdul Kalam and his role as a teacher throughout his scientific and political careers.

World Food Day is celebrated on 16 October to inspire people about healthy diets was launched in 1945.

International Day for the Eradication of Poverty is observed on 17 October. Economists observe poverty as the world's worst scourge. Eradication of poverty demands both the political will and the dedication of the individual.

World Statistics Day celebrated every five years on October 20, was first observed in 2010. The day was created to acknowledge the importance of data authenticity and credibility across the globe.

United Nations Day marked on 24th was founded in 1948 to celebrate United Nations established in 1945. United Nations is the world's most important intergovernmental organization to maintain international peace and security, develop friendly relations among nations, achieve international cooperation and be a centre for harmonizing the actions of nations.

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The Old Anandians Association of Queensland Inc

MAROONS CHARITY WALK 2021

Queensland Fair Trading Approved Charity Project | CP6207

SUNDAY **14** November 2021

9 am

Berrinba Wetlands Park
Wayne Goss Drive
Browns Plains
QLD 4118

Ticket **\$10**

PURPOSE:
To build a Centralised Oxygen Feed System for a COVID-19 ward in a regional hospital in SRI LANKA.

Free BBQ. All are Welcome.



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FSOQ PRESENTS

SRI LANKA DAY



MULTICULTURAL FOOD AND CULTURAL FESTIVAL

SATURDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2021 9 AM TO 4 PM

ROCKS RIVERSIDE PARK, 531 SEVENTEEN MILE ROCKS RD, SEVENTEEN MILE ROCKS QLD 4073

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Sri Lankan Events Brisbane

Please check the latest status of the events with the relevant organisations

October 2021

02	Saralanga CANCELLED	Sinhala Association of Qld.
17	Food Fair CANCELLED	Sri Lanka Society
23	Halloween Dance	Silver Fawn Club
23-24	Annual Katina Ceremony & Dana	Forest Lake Temple
30-31	Katina Pinkama	Gold Coast Buddhist Centre
31	BBQ	IESL Qld Chapter

November 2021

6&7	Katina Ceremony - Pirith, Katina Robe Offering and Dana	Goodna Temple
13	Sri Lanka Day Celebrations	FSOQ
14	Maroons Charity Walk 2021	Old Anandians of Qld
27	Christmas Dinner Dance	Gold Coast Sri Lankans
27	Pratiba Talent Show	Sri Lanka Arts Circle/ Forest Lake Temple

December 2021

03-05	QMora: University of Moratuwa Alumni Get-together	Uni of Moratuwa Alumni
11	Dinner Dance featuring Desmond de Silva	Thambapanni
11	Christmas Carols and Dinner	Silver Fawn Club
19	Sangamitta Day	Forest Lake Temple
31	New Years' Eve Dance	Silver Fawn Club

February 2022

13	Valentines Day Lunch	Silver Fawn Club
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Multicultural Brisbane

THE SOUND SOCIETY, ROMA STREET PARKLANDS
Banyan Lawn or Lakeside Meadow
3 October 11.00 am to 2 pm



Pull up a rug in Brisbane's biggest sub-tropical backyard, relax and listen to free live music at The Sound Society

Multicultural Brisbane

EUROPEAN MASTERPIECES FROM THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART, NEW YORK

12 JUN 2021 – 17 OCT 2021

GOMA | GALLERY 1.1 THE FAIRFAX GALLERY, GALLERY 1.2, GALLERY 1.3 ERIC & MARION TAYLOR GALLERY

Spanning 500 years, 'European Masterpieces from The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York' offers a breath-taking journey from the 1420s and emerging Renaissance to conclude at the height of early twentieth century post-impressionism. This once-in-a-lifetime opportunity also allows visitors to experience works by Rembrandt, Rubens, Turner, Degas, Renoir, Cézanne, and Monet, direct from The Met's collection – one of the finest collections of European paintings in the world, the majority of which rarely leave permanent display in New York..



Program Schedule

Arunella - Sunday 9.00am - 10.00am FM 98.1

Date	Producer/Panel Operator
03 Oct	Jayantha Weerasekera, Seetha Vithana/ Jayantha Weerasekera
10 Oct	Lakmini Keerawella, Himaya SWA, Kasun Karunaratne/ Kasun Karunaratne
17 Oct	Darshika Koggalhewa, Janaka/Sameera Samarasinghe
24 Oct	Samanmal Gunaratne/ Samanmal Gunaratne
31 Oct	Kumarasinghe Dissanayake/ Janaka Weerasinghe
07 Nov	Nimal Wijesiri/ Samanmal Gunaratne

Sandella - Wednesday 9.00pm - 10.00pm FM 98.1

Date	Producer/Panel Operator
06 Oct	"Yovun Sandella" Shyam, Pulith, Shamma, Chathurika, Darshika, Mithila/ Mithila Wanigathunge, Achira Samarantunga
13 Oct	Prema Weerawardena/ Niraj Kariyawasam
20 Oct	Thisara Pathirennehelage & Guest/ Thisara Pathirennehelage
27 Oct	Harsha Perera/ Sandun de Silva
03 Nov	"Yovun Sandella" Shyam, Pulith, Shamma, Chathurika, Darshika, Mithila/ Mithila Wanigathunge, Achira Samarantunga

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