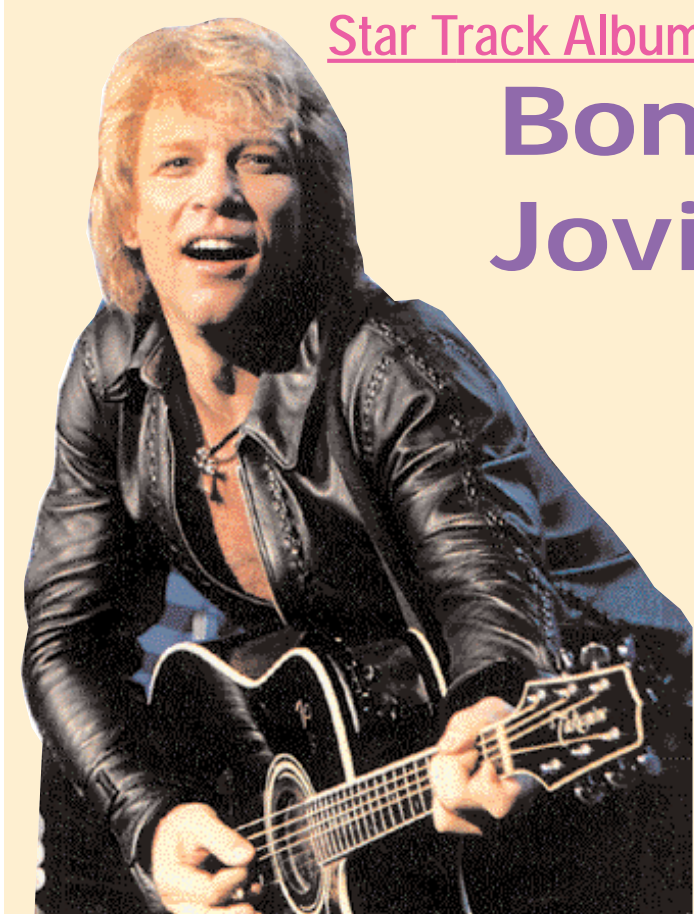


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## STARTrack

with Ivan Alvis



### Star Track Album Bon Jovi

#### (You Want To) Make A Memory

Hello again, it's you and me  
Kinda always like it used to be  
Sippin' wine, killing time  
Trying to solve life's mysteries

How's your life, it's been a while  
God it's good to see you smile  
I see you reaching for your keys  
Looking for a reason not to leave

If you don't know if you should stay  
If you don't say what's on your mind  
Baby just breathe  
There's nowhere else tonight we should be

You wanna make a memory?  
I dug up this old photograph

Look at all that hair we had.  
It's bittersweet to hear you laugh  
Your phone is ringing I don't wanna ask

If you go now, I'll understand  
If you stay, hey, I've got a plan  
We're gonna make a memory  
You wanna steal a piece of time  
You can sing the melody to me  
And I can write a couple of lines

You wanna make a memory?

If you don't know if you should stay  
And you don't say what's on your mind  
Baby just breathe  
There's nowhere else tonight we should be  
We Should be

You wanna make a memory  
You wanna steal a piece of time  
You can sing the melody to me  
And I can write a couple of lines

You wanna make a memory? (x2)

● SENT BY: Kylie (Pretty Girl) of Colombo

#### Seen 'n' Heard

HEARD.... some of our performers still don't know the importance of an occasion.

At a prestigious wedding held recently, invitees were attired in their finery.

Even the members of the band in attendance showed class in their dress code.

And then came on stage a female artiste, clad in leggings. To make matters worse, she began addressing her musician pals in the hall as aiyya, malli, etc. What a come down!

#### United World Chart

- 1 Umbrella - Rihanna feat. Jay-Z
- 2 Makes Me Wonder - Maroon 5
- 3 Big Girls Don't Cry - Fergie
- 4 What I've Done - Linkin Park
- 5 Do You Know? (Ping-Pong Song) - Enrique Iglesias
- 6 Say It Right - Nelly Furtado
- 7 Girlfriend - Avril Lavigne
- 8 Give It To Me - Timbaland feat. Nelly Furtado & Justin T.
- 9 Beautiful Liar - Beyonce & Shakira
- 10 Hey There Delilah - Plain White T's
- 11 The Way I Are - Timbaland feat. Keri Hilson
- 12 The Sweet Escape - Gwen Stefani feat. Akon
- 13 Grace Kelly - Mika
- 14 Party Like A Rockstar - Shop Boyz
- 15 In The Morning - Gwen Stefani
- 16 Relax (Take It Easy) - Mika
- 17 Buy U A Drank (Shawty Snappin') - T-Pain feat. Yung Joc
- 18 Thinks Fr Th Mmmrs - Fall Out Boy
- 19 Cupid's Chokehold - Gym Class Heroes feat. Patrick Stump
- 20 Summer Love - Justin Timberlake

#### TOTP POPSHOT CHART

1. Umbrella - Rihanna feat Jay - Z.
2. Foundations - Kate Nash
3. When You're Gone - Avril Lavigne.
4. Do you Know - Enrique Iglesias.
5. Worried About Ray - Hoosiers.
6. The Way I Are - Timbaland feat. Doe/Keri Hilson.
7. Soulmate - Natasha Bedingfield.
8. Big Girls Don't Cry - Fergie.
9. Any Dream Will Do - Lee Mead.
10. Like This - Kelly Rowland feat. Eve.

# BAILA

## at Smithsonian in Washington, D.C.

'What?' That's the obvious reaction I would get from my readers. 'Bailla at Smithsonian Centre ... in Washington, D.C.? No way!'

Well, credit goes to the Gypsies. They have done it again. The first - and probably the only group from Sri Lanka - to showcase their music at this world-renowned centre.

The best in international, national and regional traditional musicians, dancers, etc., are regularly featured at the Smithsonian Centre.

This year, an invitation was sent out to the Gypsies to be a part of a one-week festival, with the bailla also being featured.

On day one of the festival, the Gypsies have to perform live for 60 minutes - doing all their famous bailla hits.

On day two, three and four, maestro Sunil has to lecture - talk about the origin of bailla music, the Portuguese influence, etc. And where necessary, it has to be followed by a demonstration.

The Gypsies won't be on stage for this purpose. Instead, Sunil has Hemapala Perera - a

totally blind musician - to do the needful.

After the completion of their assignment at the Smithsonian Centre, the Gypsies will swing into action at several prestigious dances in that region.

They do concerts in Washington, D.C. and New York, followed by a dance and concert in Toronto, in Canada.

The Gypsies end their 21-day overseas tour with a dance and concert in London.

Early this month, they were invited to provide their brand of music in Singapore.

The event was a wedding and the huge crowd present went ga-ga over the Gypsies music.

For the group to get preference over so many top-notch bands in the Lion City speaks volume for their ability to provide entertainment for just about any occasion ... in any part of the world.

The American, Canadian and London sectors have been tackled by Sunil and the boys on many occasions.

Sri Lankans abroad revel in the music of the Gypsies.



SUNIL : Lecturers on bailla music



GYPSIES: One hour of bailla at Smithsonian

## EMOTIONAL, INCREDIBLE, EXCITING!

Both Corrine and Sohan still seem unable to get over the fact that their recent trip to Australia was emotional (in that it brought back memories to many of their good old days in Sri Lanka), incredible and exciting!

No sooner the twosome returned home, they were in touch with "Star Track" and went on to describe all the happenings that made their tour memorable.

It was the first time ever that both Corrine and Sohan went Down Under together.

As many as 700 turned up for 'Maroon Nite' organised by the Old Boys' Association of Ananda College, and held at the Kingston City Hall in Melbourne.

It was a blast, said Corrine, and everyone seemed to have been on the floor, from the very start till it was time to go home.

The crowd loved it as Sohan and Corrine invigorated the scene with a repertoire ideally suited for such an occasion.

Sri Lankans in Sydney experienced the wonderful sounds of the

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CORRINE: The "new wig" look Down Under



### Alston Koch heap praise on CORRINE and SOHAN for there exhilarating performance

ebullient and gregarious duo at a dance put together to celebrate the third anniversary of the

Curry Leaf restaurant in Sydney. Sohan and Corrine were back

in Melbourne for a concert which featured the duo for almost three hours.

"It was great and we enjoyed what we did on stage, but we were dead beat at the end of it all" said Corrine.

While Sohan left for house, Corrine continued to enthral Sri Lankans at another dance - this time in Brisbane.

In Sydney and Melbourne, the band Replay 6 - made up of Sri Lankans living in Australia - provided the music for Corrine and Sohan.

"They are a capable band and did justice to our performance," said Corrine who, for variety, donned a wig at the Anandian dance.

Alston Koch, of "Disco Landy" fame, turned up for the "Maroon Nite" dance in Melbourne and heaped praise on Corrine and Sohan for their exhilarating performance.

Sri Lankans Down Under will see the duo in action again in early November this year, with the possibility of another long tour in June, 2008 - with Ronnie Leitch and the X-Periments for company.

Both Corrine and Sohan have got foreign assignments coming up again - Corrine to Germany in October for a guest appearance with the band Freak Out, and Sohan to London.



## A 'new beginning' for Paris Hilton!

Do I need to comment on Paris Hilton being released from jail? Not really, but it's still a good chance to make fun of her.

In the interview she gave to CNN after being let free, she said that she was going to use the experience as a "new beginning" and that "there's just so much more to me than what people think".

"Ummm.... she won't be short of dosh though, as she has been offered a staggering \$1 million-a-year to host a US local radio talk show in Minneapolis. At least if she did it, then we'd be able to find out what this extra substance that she boasts of having actually is.

There is even rumour (and I simply don't

get this at all) of a Paris Hilton movie - not that she will star in, but a bio-pic detailing the first 20-something years of her life on the planet.

Even more staggeringly, Lindsay Lohan is tipped to play her. Though perhaps they do share the same mental agility.

By the way, it seems that some people have been going through Paris Hilton's trash - and I don't mean old boyfriends.

Various items have been appearing on eBay that are supposedly from her trash cans. Some medical prescriptions ended up being sold, along with a "gourmet" dog food tin, an empty Coke can, and some old make-up. All - as you can imagine - for daft prices.