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America to welcome Iqbal Khan

After the terrorists attacks in America, many Muslims were denied permission to travel to the United States for the last few years as their names came up as common to many names on the terrorist list! Iqbal Khan aka Rudra of Zee TV's Sanjog Se Bani Sangini was also denied access to America years ago as he shared a common name with those suspected to be prime targets in creating war against the nation. No amount of explaining that he was an actor on Indian TV helped. He had given up hope of visiting the country when three years ago, he got a call from the Embassy saying that they would like to grant him a visa. And since then, every year, the actor packs his bags to Houston on 25th September as he is the Board Member of the 'Indian Film Festival of Houston'.

After having worked with some of the best of production houses right at the start of his career, the lead actor is now all set to join the Film Festival with pride. This association is a non-profit organization devoted to creating a greater appreciation of Indian cinema and culture by showcasing quality films that honor entertainment industry performers and film makers while promoting the diverse perspectives of the Indian Diaspora through an annual event.

Iqbal says, "I have to take leave from Sangini shoot for 6 days and a lot of rescheduling has been lined up to cover up for my absence. Nevertheless, this film festival is close to my heart as this is for a cause. Inshallah! If everything goes well I will be leaving on the 25th of September for the festival. I would have loved to attend the week long festival but since work beckons, I can only be there for 2 days. I am looking forward to attend the festival as it gives a global platform to new talent to showcase their work. The only criteria being that the short film, documentary or a full length feature film has to be made by an Indian or the film should be based in India."

All's well that ends well Iqbal...

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