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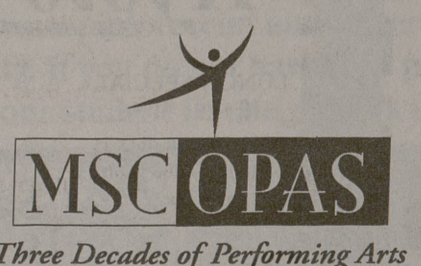


If a rock star like Bruce Springsteen or John Mayer decided to trade in their vocals and guitar and replace them with a viola, the result would be Yuri Bashmet. Bashmet will astonish audiences with his inventive play when he is joined for a one-night-only concert by the Moscow Soloists.

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From Rudder to Carnegie! Shortly after their performance in Rudder Auditorium, the musicians will head to NYC to answer a concert invitation from Carnegie Hall.

Journalists recount week in Iraq say they feared for their lives

By Shafika Mattar
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — Four journalists expelled by Baghdad said Wednesday they feared for their lives "every second" they were held in Iraq's most notorious prison.

Newsday correspondent Matt McAllester, 33, and photographer Moises Saman, 29, were set free Tuesday after being held for a week in Abu Ghraib prison, along with Molly Bingham, a freelance photographer from Louisville, Ky., and Danish freelance photographer Johan Rydeng Spanner.

Their expulsion came amid a growing crackdown on foreign journalists in Baghdad. The popular Arab satellite channel Al-Jazeera announced Thursday that Iraq was expelling one of its reporters from Baghdad and barring another from reporting, forcing the station to suspend live broadcasts from Iraq.

The Iraqi government also expelled an Australian and a South African reporter Tuesday and detained two journalists

working for the Sydney newspaper The Australian.

In Amman, McAllester told reporters Wednesday he feared for his life "every second."

"From the time we realized we were being taken to prison until the time we crossed the border into Jordan, we felt our lives were in danger," said McAllester, who is British.

"We had no idea what they were going to do to us," Bingham said. "They kept blindfolding us and taking us away. Everyday it was a question of, 'Are they going to kill me or are they just going to ask me more questions?'"

The group had been held since March 25, according to Newsday's managing editor, Charlotte Hall. An American peace activist, Philip Latasha, was expelled with the journalists.

All five were in good health when they reached Amman on Tuesday.

The journalists said Iraqi authorities searched their hotel rooms and drove them to Abu Ghraib prison, where they were separated and given prison

clothes and two blankets. Iraqi opposition groups have been executed years at Abu Ghraib, the prison in the Arab world.

"Over the next few days they interrogated us over," Bingham said, "to sign papers."

She said she did not know why she was arrested, but she said she did not work for my government or another government. I wanted to do stories about people," she said.

Saman, of Barcelona, said: "They asked me what kind of pictures I was taking was involved with an intelligence service... said. The purpose of me looking for March 4 blast... bombing... including an... at the... airport. They... wounded. That Muslim... atist Moro... Front, or... Wednesday... denied resp... vious one.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Tobacco companies sue California, say ads vilify industry

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Two tobacco companies are suing California, saying the state's anti-smoking TV ads unfairly vilify their industry.

The counterattack follows a series of multi-billion-dollar jury awards against beleaguered cigarette makers, which are trying to cope with a nationwide sales decline.

The lawsuit, filed in federal court late Tuesday by R.J. Reynolds and Lorillard, alleges California's ads unfairly influence potential

jurors who may be asked to rule on related lawsuits.

One ad shows children in a schoolyard with a narrator saying: "We have to get cigarettes that are raining down on your rettes to your children. That's why we rettes near your schools."

The ads make Californians prejudiced tobacco companies before they even see courtroom, said Ellen Matthews, a woman for R.J. Reynolds, the nation's largest cigarette manufacturer.

"It's been an ad campaign for more years and it's infiltrated every segment of media in California," she said.

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Ends at 12 AM

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Seth James - 3 PM
Danni Leigh - 5 PM
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Zero to Fear - 9 PM
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