



In remembrance of Om Puri and Kundan Shah, the Jio MAMI 19th Mumbai Film Festival with Star go down memory lane of Jaane Bhi Do Yaaron

- **Ranjit Kapoor, Satish Kaushik, Vidhu Vinod Chopra and Sudhir Mishra in conversation with Victor Acharya**
 - **Jaane Bhi Do Yaaro screening held at PVR ECX**



Mumbai, 15th October: *Jaane Bhi Do Yaaro* is a cult comedy film which released in 1983. It is one of Kundan Shah's notable works. MAMI brings alive the magic of Kundan Shah's *Jaane Bhi Do Yaaro* in an interactive session with the team of the film. A screening of the same was hosted at **PVR ECX** which was followed by a Q&A where the panel comprised of Satish Kaushik, Ranjit Kapoor, Vidhu Vinod Chopra, Sudhir Mishra which was curated by Victor Acharya.

The cast shared few sneak peeks and behind the scene stories of the process that went on to become one of the most celebrated films of the industry.

Kundan Shah studied direction at FTII in Pune. He is the recipient of the Indira Gandhi Award for Best First Film of a Director for *Jaane Bhi Do Yaaro* and also the Filmfare Critics Award for Best Movie for *Kabhi Haan Kabhi Naa*.

Om Puri was a Padma Shri recipient. He was an actor who appeared equally in mainstream and independent art films. Puri was an alumni of the National School of Drama where he pursued theatre. He took up further studies in FTII. He has won the National Award, Filmfare Award and many more to his credit.

Remembering the two legends, Ranjit Kapoor said, “Kundan was very vivid on making an out and out comedy film, also incorporating the message he wanted to bring out without losing the madness.”

Sudhir Mishra said, “I think it is one of the best edited films. Kundan Shah kept the narrative very tight. He knew when exactly to call ‘cut’, that is the most amazing thing. I miss this team the most. We always knew that even if there is a tiff, it will be all forgotten the day we see each other.”

Vidhu Vinod Chopra said, “Kundan was never satisfied. It used to take sometimes 72 hours of shoot straight without sleeping. We used to shoot and sleep in between takes.”

Satish Kaushik on being asked about his favourite memory of Om Puri said, “Om Puri heard the narration in a train. He heard it as he was good friends with Naseeruddin Shah. Later, when he shot the Mahabharat scene that’s when he came up to me and said that he just realized it’s a great script.”

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The Jio MAMI Mumbai Film Festival with Star is an inclusive movie feast. We showcase the latest cutting-edge, independent cinema - art house fare alongside genre movies from Bollywood and Hollywood and cult international movies. We offer the best of world cinema to the people of Mumbai and we offer the best of Indian cinema to the

world. The festival is run by the Mumbai Academy of Moving Image popularly known as MAMI. This is a space where we revel in the sheer pleasure of cinema, the joy it gives us and how much it enhances our lives. The goal is to nurture and ignite a passion for movies. We want Jio MAMI to be shorthand for excellence in cinema.

Jio MAMI Film Festival

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