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Niranjan *Deshpande*

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Niranjan Deshpande is a Kannada entertainer whose career moves between television, cinema, the live stage, YouTube and radio. What connects them all is an easy rapport with an audience: the ability to listen, react and keep a room with him.

His television work covers more than twenty Kannada programmes across Star Suvarna, Zee Kannada, Colors Kannada, Colors Super, Udaya TV, Kasturi and Siri Kannada: comedy shows including Gicchi Giligili (Seasons 1 to 3), Comedy Khiladigalu (Season 5) and Maja Bharatha; talent shows such as Putani Pantru, Star Singer and Sye Mom; game shows including Super Challenge, Savalige Sai and Nannamma Superstar; and reality formats such as Pardeshadalli Paradata, a survival show filmed in Thailand, and Bharjari Bachelors. He was a contestant on Bigg Boss Kannada Season 4 on Colors Kannada, and served as Film Bureau Chief at Star Suvarna, presenting the film show Cinema Hungama on Suvarna News.

His acting began in childhood with Naaviddivee Echcharike. His films include Bombay Mittai, Padarasa, Omlet, Sihir, Aden Kelti, Angikam, My Hero, Paapi Chiraayu and Nanna Prakara, for which he received the Chitrasante Film Awards' Different Role of the Year. In television drama he has appeared in Milana, which earned him a Best Comedian award from Star Suvarna, as well as Radha Ramana, Silli Lalli, Chandru Bandru, Parvati Parameshwara and Vijayadashami.

On stage he has anchored more than 5,000 shows: corporate events, product launches, dealer meets, fashion shows and live concerts, as well as SIIMA, the Filmfare Awards South, the Mirchi Music Awards South, the Celebrity Cricket League, Mysuru Yuva Dasara and Hampi Utsava.

Today he is also a digital creator on YouTube and Instagram. On radio he has worked as a radio jockey with 93.5 RED FM, where he received the station's Best RJ award, and with 92.7 BIG FM, where he was named Popular RJ. His recognitions include Best Anchor at the Zee Kannada Kutumba Awards and Pride of Karnataka. He works in Kannada and English, and also speaks Hindi, Telugu and Tamil.