



JAI HO JOOLS!

Anjool Maldé 7-7-84 to 5-7-09

Anjool lived a short but rich and memorable life and we, Naina & Bharat, as Anjool's parents would like to extend our deep appreciation to all those who over the recent harrowing days have helped and comforted us about his deeply felt loss. A special thank-you to those who found time to attend the Funeral on 14 July and to Anjool's Friends, his real Family, who planned, executed and delivered in style a Service of a kind Jools himself would have appreciated. They have rallied to support us so lovingly and unselfishly that we will always retain a special spot in our hearts for them. We thank, too, Anjool's colleagues and managers at Deutsche Bank for spotting his special talents and giving him the perfect platform to develop and flourish. We devote the rest of this note to Anjool's friends and professional acquaintances who seemed to know, respect and love him for his true qualities and who have been so generous in their tributes to him whether on the web, Facebook, or via a written message or touching words delivered to us personally. Thank you all and we wish all of you bright futures, brimming with success and happiness. Here is a sample of your kind gestures and tributes. (A fuller coverage can be accessed via special links set up on Facebook by Anjool's dear friends).

RealWord Magazine is to launch a special award in Anjool's memory this September. Anjool was a past winner of their much respected and keenly followed Graduate of the Year Award - Anjool was runner-up in 2005. The magazine's founder Darius Norell said of Anjool when announcing the news of the Award that he epitomised the very best of dynamism, verve, enthusiasm and an adventurous spirit and that he stood out not just for his exceptional abilities but also an engaging and memorable presence.

Nick Lawson posted on the Angus Lawson Memorial Trust website immediately upon learning of Anjool's sad news on 7 July 2009: "Anjool was destined for greatness but already achieved in his short life a huge amount. He was a firebrand, a gentleman and possessed the greatest of gifts - a civic responsibility".

Julia Buckley, the journalist, was a contemporary of Anjool's at Oxford. Her column in 'Londonpaper' on 10 July 2009 was headed 'Jools was one of the nice guys'. Wrote Julia: "Jools was the textbook someone-with-everything-going-for-him. He'd just been ranked the seventh top salesperson in his stockbroking sector in Europe. He was only 24, but he could have done anything. Anjool wasn't 'just another banker', though - or 'just another club promoter', or 'just another overachiever'. He was reassurance that the nice guy can win. And he will be terribly missed."

Tributes from his friends:

Irra: "What I'll remember most is the 'expressive' Jools, his soul finding creative outlets in most unusual ways, his beatboxing in taxis, tube and even once - quite an inspired performance of 'they see me rolling'...on a NIGHT BUS! Jools took long walks to capture night time London for its serene empty beauty. His music making was good to the point of being scary...sometimes he looked at you while playing piano..not looking at the keyboard... or the drums...he had a mini orchestra in his back bedroom, which resulted in spontaneous jam sessions. He lived by principle of 'if not now...then when?' He usually even SHOWED you how to achieve your dreams in practice...HOW MANY OF US OWE A PART OF OUR LIVES TO THIS AMAZING MAN?"

Barry: "To hundreds of people, Anjool was an entrepreneur, a top stockbroker, a mentor, a party king, but most of all Anjool was our son, our friend, our cousin and to me, he was my little brother. He was and always shall be an inspiration for all of us looking to achieve excellence. Reading his tribute page, it has become apparent Jools always had time for everyone around him, no matter what he was doing, he would somehow freeze the clocks to give those who needed a precious slice of his time. Rest peacefully my brother, I guess heaven couldn't wait".

Junaid: "I met Jools at DB where we quickly became friends. We spent much time moaning and philosophising about finance and life on the trading floor. He always had a lot of optimism for life and he would always find even in the deepest of disappointments something to laugh about. He had enormous energy and managed to squeeze lots into his day to day life. Behind the glitz however, he had a heart of gold and he was always available to help out other people. He was a great friend and I will miss him dearly."

Sweta: "We've heard a lot about Jools. Some adjectives describing his character that have been heard repeatedly are selfless, generous, astute, stylish, ambitious, inspiring, entrepreneurial, multi-talented, socialite, quite the character in general. He was of course all these things, but above and beyond the term that encompasses all these attributes and more is that he was a *true friend*".

Andrea: "I will always remember Anjool as the intelligent and energetic one of the class who was always helping the rest of us reach our potential".

David: "My mentor, my inspiration, my aspiration...thank you for always having time for me...thank you for everything, Jools."

Kulveer: "I met Jools in the first week of University just under 7 years ago. I remember we were walking around Oxford during a freshers' night and we instantly bonded because he was lamenting that he had just broken up with his girlfriend and I was lamenting that I hadn't broken up with mine. We hit it off straight away and the bond only strengthened as we both viewed ourselves as coming from similar backgrounds with similar ambitions. And from then on, he became a dear friend, helping me in countless ways without ever wanting anything in return. I once had a gig-blog for the BBC, and I remember that Jools was the first person I would show my drafts to. He would turn my uninteresting and long pieces into something that someone would actually want to read. He was truly talented. I have never met someone with his flair and ability to make the impossible seem effortless. My memories of him, as someone who was so kind, generous, talented, I'm sure are shared by anyone he knew. He improved every single one of our lives. I think it was Mark Twain who said, and I'm paraphrasing, *he who has lived life fully, has no reason to fear death*".