Ky-Mani releases new album

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Ask Ky-Mani why he called his CD The Journey and the singer/songwriter answers thoughtfully, "Because hopefully my music will take you to many different destinations and because the process of making my music has been a 'journey' for me as well." Of course

that's only fitting for a charismatic artist whose East African name means Adventurous traveler.

Ky-Mani has transformed his trails and triumph into words, which speak of his depth, and sounds, which cling to the heart and soul. With a vibrant consciousness approach to his craft, Ky-Mani was born to create music.

He embarks on a journey of the

spirit, the senses and the heart. On his long awaited and much anticipated Gee Street/V2/Shang Records debut, the Journey, Ky-Mani embraces various sounds including hip-hop, country and rhythm and blues. The richness of his self-penned songs is like a rhythmic road map leading towards the most lovable destination – the heart



Sheryl Lee Ralph



brings film to Jamaica

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An accomplished actress and a woman proud of her Jamaican roots, Sheryl Lee Ralph and her Island Girl Productions company will produce, "Cinema Inna Yard", the Jamaican Film and Music Festival. Launched in association with the Jamaican Tourist Board and the Jamaican film Commission.

The Jamerican Film & Music Festival will celebrate the work of filmmakers throughout the Caribbean and the world. Besides the film screenings, seminars and workshops that make up the meat of the festival, The Jamerican Film and Music Festival will fill the nights with receptions and parties and will feature a performance by Steel Pulse, and the Festival Awards Gala whose honorees will include Richard Roundtree and Jimmy Cliff.

Cinema Inna Yard, commences the 17th of November, 1999 and runs through the 21st of November. For further information, please contact Kenneth R. Reynolds, 323-938 2364.

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