

LYRIC WINNERS



Dr. Tapan Bagchi

What are your feelings after getting the award?
This is my third time getting an award for Celebrating Life. While the excitement of getting an award for the first time is not quite there, I am really grateful for this nonetheless as this always provides a huge boost to me and my career.

Do you think that this Award will inspire you to work harder?
Definitely. I had written 50 songs before I received my first Celebrating Life award, and now the amount has racked up to 450. Needless to say, the event has changed my life to a great extent after I received those prestigious awards.

How would your greatest influence think of you, knowing that you won such a prestigious award?
The greatest influence in my life has been my late father, Tustacharan Bagchi. When I was little, I used to be a very good student. But after some time, I fell off and a big void was created for various reasons, which hampered my studies to a great extent. Now, I am successful as a writer and have also completed my PHD. If my father was still alive, he would proudly say that his son is doing well in life.

Harun ur Rashid

What are your feelings after getting this award?
I am extremely happy, as this is the first award I've ever gotten. Thank you so much, I'm very grateful to Celebrating Life for giving me such an opportunity to express myself. To be honest, I still cannot believe that I made it to such a big platform.

Do you think that this Award will inspire you to work harder?
It will definitely help me to work harder now. You see, I never took writing seriously and I never concentrated that well. However, now this gives me an initiative to write. Physically I am very ill, but now I feel like this has given me a new lease of life.

What would your greatest influence think of you, knowing that you received such a prestigious award?
I have always admired the likes of the great Abid Anwar and Md. Rafiquzzaman. I am not quite sure how they would react, but I would hope that they would be very proud and generous about my achievement as I've modeled my writing after them. I would be honored to have my named uttered in the same statement as them.



Kumar Deep

What are your feelings after getting this award?
I am absolutely elated. I do not even know what to say, this came as a big surprise to me. This is my first award, and I am very grateful to be getting it at such a prolific platform.

Do you think this award will inspire you to work harder?
Of course it will. I have been writing for approximately 7 years, and this is my first major achievement in this field. It is safe to say that Celebrating Life has changed my life forever. I can only hope that this is the start of many more great thinks to come regarding me as a writer.

What would your greatest influence think of you, now that you've received such a prestigious award?
My greatest influence, without a doubt is Shamsur Rahman sir. Whilst he was alive, he complemented me on my work and that is still one of my biggest achievements in life. I have also done a research on him. If he was alive, it would be safe to say that he would have been very proud of me as his ardent follower and fan.

PHOTOGRAPHY WINNERS



Moniruzzaman Sazal

What are your feelings after getting this award?
I have been doing photography simply out of passion and so to win an award for something that I love makes me feel elated. I never really expected to actually be rewarded for my efforts.

Will this award inspire you to work harder?
Absolutely. Photography is a matter of practice and the more you practice, the better you get at it. But in order to practice daylong, night after night, requires immense motivation. Awards such as these provide me with the motivation I need to produce quality work.

How would your biggest influence react, if they get to know that you have won such a prestigious award?
I could not do photography in my childhood, even though I really wanted to. Later in my life I started doing it and ever since, my biggest influence has been my wife. This is because I work six days a week, and on the one day that I have a day off, I practice photography. My wife has been unbelievably supportive on this matter, and so she pushes me to move forward and do my best.



Abdur Rahman

What are your feelings after getting this award?
This is a great achievement for me. I would wholeheartedly like to thank Celebrating Life for giving me such a platform in which I could express my talent. Photography is my passion and it really gives me a lot of courage to see that my craft is looked after and appreciated.

Will this award inspire you to work harder?
It will for sure. I don't do photography for awards and recognitions, but it is very humbling to get an award of such magnitude. I would like to dedicate this to all my friends and family who supported me throughout thick and thin. I did not have the luxury to take photography as a profession per se, but this really does pour fuel on my passion and by the Almighty's grace I will work harder to produce finer

What would your greatest influence think of you, knowing that you received such a prestigious award?
To be honest, I do not have anyone particular as my 'greatest influence'. You could say that what drives me is the unending support of my friends and family. If they know that I have received such a big award, they will without a doubt be tremendously proud of me, and that will be all that matters for me.



Mohammad Kaisar

What are your feelings after getting this award?
The feeling is something else entirely, I can't quite articulate it. All I can say is that I am happy and honored to have been even considered for such an award. This is the first ever competition that I have entered in, so I never quite saw it coming. This is my very first milestone as a photographer.

Will this award inspire you to work harder?
That it definitely will. You see, initiatives such as this really boost the morale of an artist, in whichever field he or she may be in. I will definitely increase my rate of work now that I have a great incentive to look forward to every year, for that I would like to wholeheartedly thank Celebrating Life.

How would your biggest influence react, if they get to know that you have won such a prestigious award?
My biggest influence is Nasir Al Mamun, a true genius. By the Almighty's grace I had the opportunity to talk to him once, so I can tell that he will indeed be very proud of me. He is a very bright and open-minded person.