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Artists from Bollywood have from time to time been making forays into Hollywood. Kabir Bedi, Persis Khambatta, Om Puri, Nasruddin Shah, Aishwarya Rai, Anil Kapoor, Frieda Pinto, Bipasha Basu, Irrfan Khan, to mention a few.

But not Rahul Nath. The versatile Indian-born actor-dancer-director practically lives in Los Angeles, home to Hollywood. "But I'm in love with India and all things Indian," the actor gushed recently.

He is in the country right now, visiting Delhi and Mumbai, promoting his 2 latest features, 'Foreign' and 'Compromise.'

Rahul started off as a dancer training in Bollywood dancing and imbibing Bharatnatyam and Kathak influences. This led him to choreograph on some huge Tamil movies, including Shankar's 'Indian' and Rajiv Menon's 'Kandukondian Kandukondian' as an assistant.

His acting journey began when an agent spotted him and picked him up for TV serials in the UK. There he starred in medical dramas on the BBC and ITV, both huge networks.

"I was offered a regular role in a medical drama for the BBC. But I turned it down because I wanted variety in my acting career. I believe that if you do stereotype roles, you can restrict the scope of your career," he said. In England he also performed at some prestigious venues.

Rahul has been known to be a huge risk taker. He was laughed at when he shipped himself over the USA for the Fox TV pilot 'The After Lyfe's.' He began shooting for the show and it opened with great reviews. But owing to scheduling conflicts, it was axed. "I then moved on to bigger projects," he recalled.

The multi-faceted actor has not confined himself only to films and TV serials. With his face becoming known, several product endorsement opportunities came his way. It began with INTEL whose campaign ran in over 14 countries, with heavy airing in India, USA and UK. He went on to endorse several other products including Ninetendo, Virgin Atlantic, State Farm Insurance, Disney and Travelzoo.

Rahul then created an intense cardio workout called 'Bollywood Aerobics' that combines the hottest moves from Bollywood cinema with a non-stop heart pumping workout. His fitness DVD was released all over the USA and has sold thousands of copies.

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