

Critiquing The 'Production' Nature of Calypso

Let's watch this video of King Konris:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ioLrdpz72CI&feature=emb_logo

Hail King Konris, 6-time winner of St Kitts' Senior Calypso Monarch Competition.

- Wit ... yes
- Pun ... yes
- Props ... yes
- Thematically and lyrically sound ... yes, yes
- Audience appeal and spontaneity ... definitely yes!!

The presentation by the 2012/2013 Kittitian Soca Monarch Konris Maynard encapsulates the essence of a balanced, well co-ordinated artistic number that engaged the audience from start to finish. This musician/songwriter mirrors the role of a playwright and his stage direction team. One witnessed the artistry of this story teller's use of diplomacy to present a catchy tune "By De Breath" on stage. The lyrics have remained with the kittitian population.

Some have said flawless execution! Others have said a genius at heart! However it is put, the literary critic is teased into a bath of devices, innuendoes, tastefully crafted imagery through his social commentary. What clarity of ideas!

What a memorable performance!