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TWICE IN ROYAL DAVID'S CITY

[STATION] re-enacts the first Christmas Day in a lighthearted, affectionate radio send-up this Sunday night at 10:00 pm.

The two-hour program called *Radio J* transports listeners back to the first Christmas where you listen to events as they might have been reported on a radio station of the day.

[station] Manager, [name] says *Radio J* gives a new twist to the familiar story, and spoofs every conceivable radio gimmick.

"There's cash-calls, commercials, phone-ins, jingles, gossip, news and roving reports," [first name] says.

"It's a skilful piece of homegrown humor," he adds.

The peak body for community broadcasting in Australia, the Community Broadcasting Association of Australia, commended the show for its programming excellence at the recent CBAA Awards.

ABOUT RADIO J

Radio J is hosted by Sammy Amos, who expresses concern at the bright light shining over the city on his way to work.

Field reporter, David Bartholomew keeps feeding in puzzled news commentaries about inexplicable stellar phenomenon spotted near Bethlehem.

He interviews local shepherds and astrologers, and a trio of opulently dressed strangers.

He comes across an innkeeper who is wary about telling too much about what he knows in case the health authorities decided to come around and check out his establishment.

A midwife takes him closer to the solution – but you cannot win 'em all.

Herod's press secretary clears up rumors that a decree on the nation's first born is in the wind.

But above all, it is Joseph's surprise revelation that captures the essence and ends the show.

The steady beat of the music, the drama of the commercials and the easy, professional style of Jewish personality Sammy Amos, makes Radio J compulsive listening.

In between adverts for the Bank of Jordan (your friend through disaster, famine and plague), the Ali Baba new style carpets, plus sports reports from Anthony Quinnus, the show moves at a fast pace with Radio J's mighty broadcasting team following the Star of Bethlehem.

The simulated news bulletin with Judith Abigail, the on-the-spot reports from David Bartholomew, plus comments from a few high placed authorities and assorted on-lookers build to the show's poignant surprise ending.

ABOUT - THE CREATORS

Radio J was first written and produced by New Zealanders John Hawkesby and Phil Yule in the early 80s. It was first produced by the Auckland based Christian Broadcasting Association.

Woodlands Media and Triple Seven Communications expanded, adapted, re-voiced, and re-recorded the show, while seamlessly retaining the original jingles and interviews.

The presentation produced by Wes Jay, features Chris Elliot (Sammy Amos), newsreader Penny Mulvey (Judith Abigail).

Chris Elliot is a former MMM radio announcer that has worked in every major radio market in Australia. Penny Mulvey is a former EON FM, Channel 10 news newsreader/journalist.

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