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Iraqi rapper, dancer who died in Baghdad blasts remembered



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Iraqis on Sunday mourned the death of a popular Iraqi rapper and dancer who was a victim of the deadly **blasts** that rocked the capital Baghdad, killing nearly 120 people.

Adel Al-Jaf, better known as his stage name "**Adel Euro**," luckily escaped a bombing last year in the capital Baghdad and wrote that he could "still dance." But he was not fortunate this time.

Instead, his memory will remain among his fans, who praised and remembered him as a "multi-talented" artist of their own.

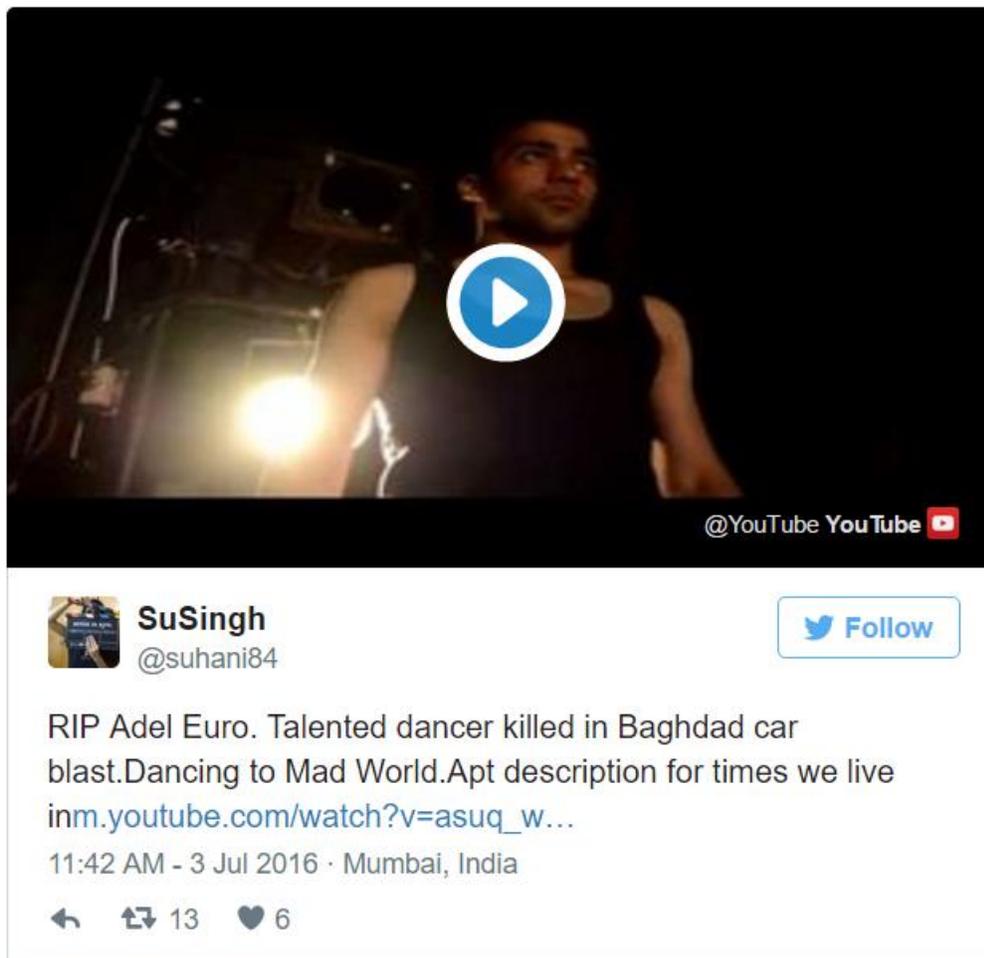
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“This is Adel al-Jaf or Adel Euro as he was popularly known,” Sultan Sooud al-Qassemi, a popular Emirati commentator on social media, wrote.

He added: “A multi-talented young Iraqi dancer, filmmaker, rapper, actor and first rate artist in every sense of the word. Adel was a self-taught performer, having been inspired by Michael Jackson and Britney Spears performing.”

On Twitter, people mourned the tragic killing of Jaf, who had 1,256 followers on Facebook.

“We mourn the loss of our Iraqi dancer protege Adel Euro - one of over 100 hundred killed today in Baghdad. RIP Adel,” Battery Dance tweeted.. Another wrote: “RIP Adel Euro. Talented dancer killed in Baghdad car blast. Dancing to Mad World. Apt description for times we live in.”



Jaf used social media such as YouTube as well as Skype to receive dance instructions from Jonathan Hollander, the founder of Battery Dance company.

“I used to see the studio they were in (in New York) and it was very nice and they had enough space to do every move. My living room was full of furniture,” Jaf wrote.



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