

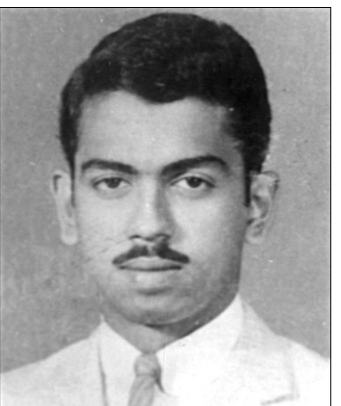
Endeavour

A tale of a mother and her martyred son

The Liberation War Museum preserves mementos of another martyr of the Liberation War

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THE Liberation War Museum recently received some invaluable mementos bearing reminiscence of yet another martyred freedom fighter named Azad.



Shahid M Ahmed Chowdhury Azad (11 July 1946-30 August 1971)

mother, some books that he possessed while he was a student at the University of Karachi, and a few other documents were given to the Liberation War Museum at Shegun Bagicha for preservation and display for the visitors.

Only a few months ago, Magfaruddin Ahmed Chowdhury Azad had been a name familiar only within a very small circle of freedom fighters like Nasiruddin Yusuf, Kazi Kamal, Khaled Ahmed, Ulfat and others.

Azad had once promised to write a book on his mother telling how she painstakingly reared him up. But Azad's wish did not materialise.

mother died in 1985 long after her son had died in the Liberation War of Bangladesh. Her biography, in the form of a novel, however, came out towards the end of 2002.

Writer Anisul Haque said at the event how he had come to know about the mother of Azad from Nasiruddin Yusuf. The latter asked him to compose a drama on the painful but inspiring life of Azad's mother, who had lost her only son in the Liberation War.

mother who inspired him to join the war. Unfortunately, in the middle of the war, on August 30, Azad was caught by the Pakistan Army and was sent to jail.

One day, when Shafia Begum went to see Azad at the prison, Azad told her that the Pakistan army were torturing him to bring out secrets about his troop-members and their plans.

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rice for the rest of her life. She never lay on a bed either, as the memory of her son on the floor was too much to bear.

At the memento hand-over ceremony, all speakers expressed gratitude to Anis for accomplishing such a noteworthy task that had been long due.

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brother, who went to the war and never came back. This sad tale of mother-and-son is indicative of how many more valiant people must be there whose identities still remains unknown and unpaid even after thirty-two years of Independence.



Azad at Karachi University

Music

Red Hot Chili Peppers, Robbie Williams claim German music awards

AFP, Berlin

BRITISH pop sensation Robbie Williams picked up Germany's top music industry prize, the Echo, for best international rock or pop artist before thousands of screaming fans at a weekend ceremony.

After one of the largest peace rallies in Berlin in postwar history with 500,000 participants stepping out against a strike on Iraq, Williams shouted to the crowd "Give Peace a Chance", which met with cheers at the event last Saturday.

Williams claimed the award at the 12th annual Echo ceremony, Germany's equivalent of the Grammy Awards, for his top-selling album "Escapology".

It was Williams' second Echo in as many years following his 2002 honors for the album "Swing When You're Winning".

Colombian pop queen Shakira and US rapper Eminem won awards for best female pop artist and best hip hop act but were absent from the ceremony.

Herbert Groenemeyer accepted prizes for best German pop singer and his hit "Mensch". Many in the

audience had tears in their eyes as they applauded Groenemeyer's comeback after losing his wife to cancer four years ago.

Nena, best known outside of Germany for her 1980s hit "99 Red Balloons", won as best female pop act.

The Echo prize is awarded based on commercial sales. The ceremony came just hours after the distribution of the 53rd annual Berlin film festival's top awards, in which a British documentary-style drama about Afghan refugees "In This World" beat Hollywood blockbusters to scoop the Golden Bear prize for best picture.

The all-star cast of "The Hours" -- Meryl Streep and Oscar nominees Nicole Kidman and Julianne Moore -- shared the Silver Bear award for best actresses for their portrayals in a gripping reverie on depression inspired by Virginia Woolf.

Newcomer Sam Rockwell took home a Silver Bear for best actor for his role as game-show impresario and self-proclaimed CIA hitman Chuck Barris in George Clooney's directorial debut "Confessions of a Dangerous Mind".

The 10-day event closes Sunday with screenings of favorites from the festival.



Anthony Kiedis, singer of the U.S. music group 'Red Hot Chili Peppers', addresses the audience as his bass guitar player Michael 'Flea' Balzary stands next to him after they accepted the 'Echo' music award for the best international Rock group in Berlin on February 15.

RECOMMENDATIONS

CD Launching

Bengal Foundation will hold ceremonies for launching of eight more CDs at the Bengal Shilpalaya. The schedule is as follows: February 19 at 6:30 pm Rabindrasangeet album Aamar Mon Cheye Roy by Aditi Mohsin February 20 at 6:30 pm Nazrulgeeti album Khunji Tarey Aami Aaponay by Sharmin Shathi Islam February 23 at 6:30 pm Gonosangeet album Himalaya Thekey Sundarban. Rabindrasangeet album Eshchhi Tomar E Darey by Iqbal Ahmed February 24 at 6:30 pm Rabindrasangeet album Amarey Jodi Jagaley Aaji by Mita Haque February 25 at 6:30 pm Rabindrasangeet album Aamar E Path by Ifat Ara Dewan

Film

The Embassy of the Republic of Korea in Dhaka has planned to hold shows of Korean films on regular monthly basis from March. This show will provide opportunity to people to learn about Korean culture and language. The first show will be held at the auditorium of the Korean Embassy on the 1st Sunday of each month at 5 p.m. The schedule up to May has been declared as follows: March 2 Nowhere to Hide April 6 The Foul King May 4 My Heart All films are subtitled in English.

Fashion



A model displays an outfit by British fashion designers Boudicca during their autumn/winter 2003/04 show at London Fashion Week in central London on February 17.

TV GUIDE

ATN BANGLA

- 6:00 Islamic prog. 8:00 ATN Bangla News 8:25 Computer Based prog: ATN Computer Projecte 9:00 Drama Serial :Sandatara 9:35 Drama: Path Jana Nai 10:10 Drama Serial: Jebon Baro Sundor 10:50 Musical prog: Saat Rong 12:00 ATN Bangla News 12:30 The Daily Newspaper Discussing Prog: Aaker Sangbadpotro 12:50 Film Songs Prog: Surchohi 1:30 Bengali feature film: Athem 2:30 ATN Bangla News Headlines 4:50 The Daily Newspaper Discussing prog: Aaker Sangbadpotro 5:00 Gram Gonger Sangbad 5:15 Health care prog: Susitha Thakun 5:50 A Special prog: Islamee Sawal O Jawab 7:00 ATN Bangla Evening News 7:30 Cine Musical prog: Gondoraz Samsung Cine Aaha 8:05 Drama Serial : Kittie Party 8:40 Musical prog: Priyo Tarokar Sera Gan 9:00 ATN Bangla News 9:25 Talk show: Face to Face 10:00 ATN Bangla News 10:30 Musical prog: Saat Rong 11:00 ATN Bangla News 12:00 Bengali feature film : Paros Pathor

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- 2.00 Bengali Feature Film: Jibon Theke Neya 5.35 Jonopoder Khobor 5.45 Chitri Pelam 6.10 Music Plus 6.15 Chhaya Jhonkar 7.15 Channel i news 7.45 Ispahani i Tele Quiz (Question) 7.55 Drama Serial: Bhul Drama Serial: Kishu Magh Kishu Roddur 9.00 Channel i News 9.31 Ispahani i Tele Quiz (Result) 10.00 Drama Serial: Shudhu Tomar Jonno 10.25 Channel i Mobile Quiz 2525 10.30 Channel i News 11.15 Shangbad Potre Bangladesh 11.30 Live Telecast of BTV's Late Night news Telecast of BTV's News at 10 12.20 Channel i News

HBO

- 6:30 Satan's School For Girls 8:15 Summer School 10:15 Bad Karma 12:00 Masterminds 2:15 Dragonheart: A New beginning 4:00 Bram Stoker's Burial of the Rats 5:45 The Adventures of Rocky and Bullwinkle 7:45 The Cell 10:00 Slappy and the Stinkers 11:30 Sleepy Hollow 1:45 Masterminds 4:00 The Tenant

ZEE TV

- 6:30 Bhakti Bhav 7:00 Life In The Word-Good News 7:30 Jagran 8:00 Bhagwat Katha 8:30 Manav Dharam 9:00 Cartoon On Zee 9:30 Ghar Jamai 11:00 Aati Rahengi Baharein 12:00 Mulk 12:30 Lipstick 1:00 Astiva-Ek Prem Kahani 1:30 Mit 2:00 Kittie Party 2:30 Piya Ka Ghar Anjali 3:00 Anjali 6:30 Cartoon On Zee 8:00 Piya Ka Ghar Kammal 9:00 Aati Rahengi Baharein 9:30 Astiva Ek Prem Kahani 10:00 Mit 10:30 Kittie Party 11:00 Mulk 11:30 Lipstick 12:30 Kammal

ZEE CINEMA

- 7:00 Bollywood Tonight 7:30 Hindi Feature Film 10:15 Tvc Skyshop 10:30 Hindi Feature Film 5:15 Tvc Skyshop 5:30 Hindi Feature Film 9:00 Bollywood Tonight 9:30 Hindi Feature Film

ZEE MUSIC

- 6:30 Zee Music Box 7:30 Taaza Maal 8:30 Compact Disc 9:00 Sizzlers 9:30 Hit Pe Hit 10:30 Hit Mix 10:45 Tvc Skyshop 11:00 Taaza Maal 12:00 Pop Re Pop New 12:30 Tele Brands 1:00 Hit Pe Hit

ALPHA TV BANGLA

- 6:30 Mojar Khela Kobitae 7:00 Joyce Meyer 7:30 Sumagalum 8:00 Purobi Bangla 8:30 Gaan Unltd. 9:10 Grihasajja 9:30 Talk Jhaal Misti 10:00 Goonly 10:30 Mathe Maidane 11:00 Chokher Bali 11:30 Gaan Unltd. 12:00 Spandan 12:30 Ananya 1:00 Nayantara 1:30 Ek Akasher Niche Pratikimba 2:00 Pratikimba 2:30 Siraj 5:00 Gaan Unltd. 5:30 Ek Palak 5:45 Gaan Unltd. 6:00 News In Bengali 6:30 Chokher Bali 7:00 Ek Palak 7:15 Gaan Unltd. 7:30 Bichitra 8:00 Pratikimba 8:30 Ek Akasher Niche 8:10 Ananya 9:50 Spandan 10:30 News In Bengali 11:00 Ek Palak 11:15 Gaan Unltd. 11:30 Nayantara 12:00 Blind Lane

AXN

- 6:30 Movie: Bugsy 7:30 Relic Hunter MIA 10:30 Earth Final Conflict 11:30 Farscape Different 12:30 Reply's believe It or Not! 1:30 Profiler Las Brisas 2:30 Movie: Bugsy 3:30 Reply's believe It or Not! 4:30 Farscape Eat Me Battledome 7:30 Relic Hunter Out of the Past 9:30 Guinness World Records: Primitime 10:30 Movie: Conan the

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

HBO: 10.00 p.m. Stuppy and the Stinkers 2nd-grade kids who don't follow strict rules by their school principal Brinway are dubbed "Stinkers" by him. On the class visit to an aquarium the Stinkers decide that a sea lion called Slappy doesn't feel too good there, "free" him, and plant him into Brinway's hot-tub.

STAR MOVIES: 9.00 p.m. The Negotiator

In the midst of an elaborate conspiracy, an expert negotiator is driven to the edge when he's framed for the murder of his partner, as well as embezzling money from his department's pension fund. His only chance to prove his innocence is to take hostages himself, acquire the services of another expert negotiator, and find out who's running the conspiracy before it's too late.

HALLMARK

- 07:00 Scholastic Clifford 07:30 Caillou 08:00 Sesame Street 09:00 Voices From A Locked Room 11:00 Stranded (Part # 2) 01:00 Brooklyn South 02:00 Just One Of These Things 03:00 Scholastic Clifford 03:30 Caillou 04:00 Lost And Found 05:00 Sesame Street 06:00 Star Trek: Voyager 07:00 Rocket Gibraltar 09:00 Mcleod's Daughters ii 10:00 Star Trek: Voyager 11:00 Rocket Gibraltar Star Movies 06:15 Ali An American Hero 08:00 Volunteers 09:45 The Pickle 11:30 The Sight 13:00 Boiling Point 14:30 Snowbound 16:00 Raising Cain 17:30 Panic 19:00 Planet Of The Apes 21:00 The Negotiator 23:15 The Annihilators 00:45 Nina Takes A Lover

STAR WORLD

- (+ 30 Minutes) 06:30 Oprah Winfrey Show 07:30 Chicago Hope 08:30 The Drew Carey Show 09:00 Whose Line Is It Anyway 09:30 J.A.G

PICK OF THE DAY



Conan the Barbarian At AXN on 10.30 p.m. A barbarian trained in the arts of war joins with thieves in a quest to solve the riddle of steel and find the sorcerer responsible for the genocide of his people in this faithful adaptation of Robert E. Howard's sword and sorcery adventures. This film briefly sparked a wave of fantasy films including the sequel, Conan the Destroyer, in the early 80s.

- 10:30 Oprah Winfrey Show 11:28 Star Asia Travel 11:30 Law And Order 12:30 Suddenly Susan 13:00 The Bold And The Beautiful 14:30 Hollywood Squares 14:30 The Brady Bunch 14:30 Baywatch 15:30 The Simpsons 16:00 Cheers 16:30 Starnews Asia 17:00 Frasier 17:30 Charmed 18:25 Starnews Asia 18:30 Ally Mcbeal 19:30 Titus 20:00 Two Guys And A Girl 20:28 Star Asia Travel 20:30 Frasier 21:00 Charmed 22:00 Ally Mcbeal 23:00 Titus 23:30 Two Guys And A Girl

STAR PLUS

- (+ 30 Minutes) 06:30 Geet Bahar 07:00 Shaka Laka Boom Boom 07:30 Aatma 08:30 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet 09:00 Fox Kids 09:40 Hit Geet 09:55 Kya Film Kya Geet 10:00 Kabhie Kabhie Mere Ghar Mein Bhuchha 10:30 Hera Pheri 11:00 Meri Saheli 11:25 Film Toppers 11:30 Shanti 12:00 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet 12:30 Kasauti Zindagii Kay

STAR GOLD

- (+ 30 Minutes) 06:30 Geet Bahar 07:00 Bharat Ke Shaheed 10:25 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit 10:30 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet 11:00 Kati Patang 13:55 Geet Bahar 14:00 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit 14:30 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet 14:55 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit 15:00 Pighalta Aasman 18:25 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit 18:30 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

- (+ 30 Minutes) 07:00 More Weddings & Another Funera 07:30 Revolutionary Rhythms 08:00 \$100 Taxi Ride 08:30 Chasing Time 09:00 Return To Alps 10:00 Croc Chronicles S2 10:30 Toyota World Of Wildlife S3 11:00 Dogs With Jobs 11:30 Earthpulse 12:00 Serengeti Stories 13:00 Truth Files 14:00 Mummy Road Show 14:30 Tales Of The Living Dead 15:00 Blood Revenge 16:00 More Weddings & Another Funera 16:30 Revolutionary Rhythms 17:00 Sea Stories 00:30:00 17:30 Return To The Wild 18:00 Dogs With Jobs 18:30 Earthpulse 00:30:00 19:00 Mystery The Mighty Moa 20:00 Truth Files 21:00 Mummy Road Show 21:30 Tales Of The Living Dead 22:00 The White House 23:00 More Weddings & Another Funera 23:30 Revolutionary Rhythms

ADVENTURE ONE

- (+ 30 Minutes) 06:30 Robert Fulton Project 07:00 Fires Of War 07:30 The Hunt For Amazing Treasures 08:00 Surfer's Journal 08:30 Explorer's Journal 10:30 Along The Inca Road 11:00 Secret Of Tsangpo 11:30 Danger Diaries 12:30 Cameramen Who Dared 13:00 Fires Of War 13:30 The Hunt For Amazing Treasures 14:00 Surfer's Journal 14:30 Explorer's Journal 15:30 Jungle Hunters 16:00 Surfer's Journal 17:00 Explorer's Journal 18:00 Adventures Of The Quest 19:00 Along The Inca Road

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- (+ 30 minutes) 07:00 [V] Hit Machine 07:30 [V] Back To Back 08:00 [V] Jumpstart 09:00 [V] Hit Machine 09:30 [V] Back To Back 10:00 [V] Hit Machine 10:30 [V] Back To Back 11:00 [V] Hit Machine 11:30 [V] Zabarast Hits 12:00 [V] Jungli Jukebox 12:30 [V] Fdfs 13:00 [V] Hit Machine 13:30 [V] Zabarast Hits 14:00 Chosen One 15:00 [V] Back To Back 15:30 [V] Hit Machine 16:00 [V] Hotline 17:00 Vito5@5 17:30 [V]Ideo War 17:45 [V] Hit Machine 18:00 [V] Fires [V] Ctr [V] 19:30 [V] Zabarast Hits 20:00 [V] Back To Back 20:30 [V] Zabarast Hits 21:00 [V] Jungli Jukebox 21:30 [V] Fdfs 22:00 [V] Hit Machine 22:30 [V] Late Night [V] 23:00 [V] Zabarast Hits 23:30 [V] Back To Back

STAR SPORTS

- (+ 30 Minutes) 07:00 Sportsline Tonight Sportsline (R) Follow Through Day 10(R) 07:30 Saff Championships 2003 Saff Championship Dhaka, Bangladesh Maldives Vs Bangladesh Final(R) 18:30:00 Max Power 2003 (T) 19:30 Sportsline Tonight Sportsline (L) 20:00 Tennis The Collins Cup Dublin, Republic Of Ireland Venus/Serena Williams Vs Elena Bovina/Daniela Hantuchova (R) 21:30 Follow Through Day 11(L) 22:30 Pool Rack 'Em Up - 1998 World Pool League Fabio Petroni Vs Jim Rempe Finals(T) 23:30 Sportsline Tonight Sportsline (R)

ESPN

- (+ 30 Minutes) 07:30 Follow Through Day 10(R) 08:00 Pool World Pool League 2002 (R) 09:00 Usa Vs Europe Bowling Championships Usa Vs Europe Tenpin Bowling 10:00 Great Outdoor Games Espn Great Outdoor Games 12:00 Best Of Pga Golf Best Of Streaks (T) 12:30 Taking Guard Day 11(L) 13:00 Taking Guard Day 11(R) 13:30 Pool World Pool League 14:30 Ama Motocross Ama Motocross (250 Cc) Sacramento, Ca Usa (R) 15:30 Ufa Champions League 2002/03 Uefa Champions League Barcelona, Spain Barcelona Vs Inter Milan Group Phase 2, Matchday 9(R) 18:00 Ufa Champions League 2002/03 Ufa Champions League London, England Arsenal Vs Afc Ajax Group Phase 2, Matchday 9(S) 20:00 Sportscenter Hindi (L) 20:30 Pool World Pool League 21:30 Follow Through Day 11(L) 22:00 Goals! (T) 00:30:00 Best Of Pga Golf The 90's (R) 23:00 Sportscenter Hindi (T) 23:30 Follow Through Day 11(R)