

RECOMMENDATIONS

Exhibition March 8-15 Drik Gallery holds exhibition of 'Feminist Cartoons' for the first time in the country.

Exhibition March 2-16 The Institute of Fine Arts, Dhaka University and the Embassy of Japan is jointly holding a painting exhibition by Bangladeshi artists who studied in Japan.

Exhibition February March 18-April 7 Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts will hold a solo exhibition of abstract art by Mahmudul Haque, one of the major exponents of the trend in contemporary times.

Music



Steve Tyler (R back) of Aerosmith and lead singer Brian Johnson (L back) of AC/DC watch AC/DC guitarist Angus Young (front) during the 18th Annual Rock and Roll Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony in New York, on March 10.

Condolence



Eminent singer Nilufer Yasmin breathed her last on March 10, 2003 at the Birdem Hospital, Dhaka. Nilufer Yasmeen was suffering from cancer for a long time.

We deeply mourn the untimely demise of Nilufer Yasmin, whose death will create a vacuum in the cultural arena of our country.

Anniversary

When a dream comes true JCAcademy celebrates its 10th anniversary

RUMMAN UDDIN AHAMED

ON its 10th anniversary JCAcademy launched its dance drama 'Shapnoshandhani' on March 7th 2003. The whole programme was a compilation of dance, acting, song and music.

The dance drama was about a little boy who always spoke against all odds. In his sleep and in his dreams he went to the fairyland, a beautiful country where everything was enchanting.

caused so much trouble in the fairyland. With his friends and the fairies he came up with an idea to stop the whole episode and fought against the cruel ruler.

Then suddenly he woke up from his sleep. He learnt from his dream that every criminal should be punished. All the cruelty and odds should be removed from the society.

The dance drama, indeed, spoke about the present situation of this world. A hand full of people is causing so much trouble in the society. The others are the sufferers from these activities.

Heritage

Fiesta for the Bauls

Jolchhobi organises in the city the 2nd Sadhu Sangho--a big congregation of the Bauls

HARUN UR RASHID

THE dry pond at the Institute of Fine Arts, Dhaka University, is once again ready to hold the second 'Sadhu Sangho' on March 13. Arrangements are also towards the end for the big congregation of the practitioners of the folk music known as Baul music.

The term 'Baul' immediately connotes in one's mind to two things: Baul songs, and those who perform these songs and live a life apparently different from that of ordinary people.

The Bauls are so called because, they are assumed to be afflicted with the 'wind disease'. This theory has gradually established the etymological emergence of the term 'Baul'.



Sadhus attending the common feast



The main musical session by night

flow of energy that gives life and harmony to all sentient beings, and the word 'betaal' meaning 'mad' or out of rhythm. Combined, the two words give the idea of the 'wind disease'--suggesting wind-like restlessness.

go on searching for it.

Baul songs form one of the few widely known and appreciated genres of Bangla folk music. Baul music is distinguished from others textually as religious music. Although, like in many other types of folk music, Baul songs also have references to the mythical love relationship between Krishna and Radha, they are not mere love songs.

The centre of the Baul doctrine of life and music lies in its secularism. The Bauls may be Hindu or Muslim by birth. But they deny to follow the traditional rituals and belief of the religions.

ple or the mosque. And they perform only one ritual in their search of God--dhyana or meditation, in which they ultimately discover the spiritual expression for the God-man relationship that comprise the themes of their songs.

Bauls traditionally live a life of the nomads or gypsies. They travel from place to place, delivering their learning among the mass in form of songs. And during this travel, they chiefly live by collecting alms from people for whom they sing Baul songs in return.

Poornima, a great number of sadhus including Abdur Rab Shai, Humayun Sadhu, Abdul Karim Shai, Aklima Khatun, Monohar Shai, Shamsul Fakir and others gathered at the dry pond in the Fine Arts Institute premises. The event started at 6 pm in the evening and continued to 2 pm in the afternoon of the next day.

Sure, Jolchhobi deserves appreciation and encouragement for initiating such an endeavour to keep an old cultural tradition alive. The city is about to be echoed with Baul songs by no less than 20 Bauls along with their partners and disciples. Rab Fakir, who is also known as Gopal Sadhu, will, like before, take the principal responsibility of gathering the



Sadhus meditating with the ektara

take more than they do actually need. To shake off all unnecessary bonds of this earthly life is considered a 'must' by them.

'Sadhu Sangho' is a gathering where people meet the Bauls and listen to their songs and teachings. In the first Sadhu Sangho, held on March 1, 2001, just before the Dol

Bauls. And besides the live performances, recordings of the event on CDs, cassettes, videos and other media will be available for preservation and collection. Let us all participate in the responsibility of preserving our cultural heritage.

TV GUIDE

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS



AXN: 10.30 p.m. Joe Kidd. Joe Kidd is a former bounty hunter and all-around tough-guy in the American Southwest during the Mexican-American War.



STAR MOVIES: 10.45 p.m. What Lies Beneath. Norman Spencer, a university research scientist, is growing more and more concerned about his wife, Claire, a retired concert cellist who a year ago was involved in a serious auto accident.

PICK OF THE DAY



Lost Souls On HBO at 10.00 p.m. A small group of Catholics led by an ailing priest believe that Satan intends to become man, just as God did in the person of Jesus.

BTV 12.10 pm News Headlines 12.15 Shubhechha Nin 12.30 Aiker Shangbadpatro 12.35 Cricket Quiz 12.45 Highlights of ICC World Cup Match Khabar 01.00 Live Telecast of ICC World Cup Cricket Match between Zimbabwe & Kenya 02.00 News Headlines 03.00 English News 04.00 News Headlines 05.00 Khabar 06.00 Khabar-Desh Janopad 07.00 News Headlines (English) 07.30 Share Bazaar & Weather Bulletin 08.00 Bangla Shangbad at 8'o clock 10.00 English News at 10'o clock 10.25 News Report 10.30 Shamakaleen 10.35 Apnader Chithi Pelam Ujibon 11.00 Late Night News/News Headlines

CHANNEL-i 02.00 Bangla Feature Film: Gorjon 05.35 Janopad-er Khabar 05.45 Chithi Pelam 06.10 Music Plus 06.45 Chaya Zonkar 07.15 Channel-i News 07.45 Ispahani-i Tele Quiz (Questions) 07.55 Kishu Mone 08.25 Korbenna Dote Com Drama Serial: Kishu Megh Kishu Roddur Channel-i News 09.31 Ispahani-i Tele Quiz (Answers) 10.00 Drama Serial: Shudhu Tomar Jonno Channel-i Mobile Quiz 2525 10.30 Channel-i News 11.15 Shangbadpatrey Bangladesh 11.30 Live Telecast of BTV Late Night News 12.20 am Channel-i News

ATN BANGLA 6:00 Islamic prog. 8:00 ATN Bangla News 8:25 Computer Based prog: ATN Computer Projukte 9:00 Drama Serial :Mohinee 9:35 Drama: Path Jana Nai 10:10 Audio Magazine: Audio Mela 10:50 Musical prog: ATN Bangla News 12:30 The Daily Newspaper Discussing prog: Aiker Sangbadpatro 12:50 Film Songs Prog: Surchobi 1:30 Bengali feature film: Proteroad 2:30 ATN Bangla News Headlines 4:50 The Daily Newspaper Discussing prog: Aiker Sangbadpatro 5:00 Gram Gonger Sangbad 5:15 Health care prog: Sustha Thakun 5:50 Drama Serial: Ghoyenda Kahene Islamic prog: Islamee Sawal O Jabab 7:00 ATN Bangla Evening News 7:30 Cine Musical prog: Gondoraz Samsung Cine Aaha 8:05 Drama serial : Sandatara 8:40 Musical prog : Priyo Tarokar Sera Gan 9:00 ATN Bangla News Talk show: Face to Face 10:00 ATN Bangla News 10:30 Musical prog : 11:00 ATN Bangla News 12:00 Bengali feature film : Dinkal

HBO 6:30 Trekkies 8:15 Hudson Hawk 10:15 Monster! 12:00 The Assassin 2:15 Three Blind Mice 4:00 Analyze This 6:00 The Last Days of Disco 8:15 Trapped 10:00 Lost Souls 12:00 Hamburger Hill 2:15 Hudson Hawk 4:15 The Assassin

AXN 6:30 Movie : The French Connection 9:30 Queen of Swords 10:30 Seven Days : Buried Alive 11:30 Farscape 12:30 Reply's believe It or Not! 1:30 Martial Law : Breakout 2:30 Movie : The French Connection 5:30 Reply's believe It or Not! 6:30 Farscape 7:30 Battledome 8:30 Queen of Swords 8:30 Destiny: Duel With a Stranger 9:30 Guinness World Records: Primitime 10:30 Movie : Joe Kidd 12:30 AXN Late Nights Queen of Swords

SONY 6:30 Just Mohabbat 7:00 Dil Ka Dwar Khol 7:30 Amrit Varsha 8:00 Sant Asaram Vani 8:30 Chartbusters 9:00 Good Morning Disney 10:00 Music Mantra 10:30 Shaheen 10:30 Chamatkar 11:30 Family No. 1 12:00 Hub Sub Ek Hain Bachke Eehna Zara Sambhalna 1:00 Kkusum 1:30 Current Bollywood 2:00 Kahani Terri Merri 2:30 Hubahu 3:00 Om Namah Shivay 4:00 Just Mohabbat 4:30 Kaun Apna Kaun Paraya 5:00 CATS 5:00 Star Yaar Kalakaar 6:30 Disney Hour 7:30 Chartbusters 8:00 Music Mantra 8:30 Boogie Woogie 9:00 Goonj 9:30 Kkusum 10:30 Kahani Terri Merri 11:00 Achanak 11:30 Achanak 37 Saal Baad 12:00 Dil Vi Pyar Vyar

ADVENTURE ONE (30 Minutes +) 6:30 Life On The Line 7:00 The Last Tonnara 7:30 The Hunt For Amazing Treasures 8:00 Surfer's Journal 8:30 Explorer's Journal 9:30 Adventures Of The Quest 10:30 Action Asia Challenge Highlights 11:30 Danger Diaries 12:30 Bird Nesters Of Thailand 13:00 The Last Tonnara 13:30 The Hunt For Amazing Treasures 14:00 Surfer's Journal 14:30 Explorer's Journal 15:30 Fantastic Voyage 16:00 The Hunt For Amazing Treasures 16:30 Surfer's Journal 17:00 Explorer's Journal 18:00 The Last Sailors 19:00 Assault On Manaslu 20:00 Danger Diaries 21:00 Life On The Line 21:30 The Last Sailors 22:30 Assault On Manaslu 23:30 Danger Diaries

STAR MOVIES 7:00 Angie 9:00 Hoffa 11:15 As Good As It Gets 12:45 Splitfire 3:30 The Elite 5:10 Unbreakable 7:00 Angie 9:00 Hoffa 11:15 As Good As It Gets 12:45 Splitfire 3:30 The Elite 5:10 Unbreakable

STAR GOLD (30 Minutes +) 6:30 Geet Bahar 7:00 Nishan 10:25 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit 10:30 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet - 20 M 10:55 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit 11:00 Pighalta Aasman 11:35 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit 14:00 Geet Bahar 14:30 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet - 20 M 14:55 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit 15:00 Aamne Saamne Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit 18:30 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet - 20 M 18:55 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit 19:00 Kartavya 22:25 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit 22:30 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet - 20 M 23:25 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit 23:30 Jaan Ki Kasam

STAR WORLD (30 Minutes +) 6:00 Cheers 6:30 Oprah Winfrey Show 7:30 Chicago Hope 8:30 The Drew Carey Show 9:00 Whose Line Is It Anyway J.A.G 9:30 Oprah Winfrey Show 11:28 Star Asia Travel 11:30 Law And Order - S.V.U 12:30 Suddenly Susan 13:00 The Bold And The Beautiful 13:30 Hollywood Squares 14:00 The Brady Bunch 14:30 Baywatch 15:30 The Simpsons 16:00 Cheers 16:30 Starwews Asia 17:00 Frasier 17:30 Charmed 18:30 Ally Mcbeal 19:30 Titus

16:30 Revolutionary Rhythms 17:00 Sea Stories 17:30 Mission Wild 18:00 Dogs With Jobs S3 18:30 Earth Pulse 19:00 Mkomazi Rhino 20:00 Truth Files 21:00 Mummy Road Show 21:30 Tales Of The Living Dead 22:00 10th Rolex Awards 2002 23:00 To Love, Honour And Obey ESPN (30 Minutes +) 6:00 Great Outdoor Games Espn Great Outdoor Games (R) 7:30 Follow Through Super Six Match #5(R) 8:00 Pool Mosconi Cup 2002 (R) 9:00 Asian X-Games Qualifiers Asian X Games V Presented By Toyota Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia Episode One(R) 10:00 English Premier Football League English Premier Football League 2002/03 Liverpool England Liverpool Vs Bolton Wanderers (R) 12:00 Best Of Pga Golf Short Game Masters (T) 12:30 Taking Guard Super Six Match #6(R) 13:00 Taking Guard Super Six Match #6(R) 13:30 Pool Mosconi Cup 2002 (R) 14:30 Ama Motocross Ama Motocross (125 Cc) New Berlin, Ny Usa (R) 15:30 Uefa Champions League 2002/03 Uefa Champions League Milan, Italy Inter Milan Vs Newcastle United Group Phase 2, Matchday 11(R) 18:00 Uefa Champions League 2002/03 Uefa Champions League London, England Arsenal Vs Roma Group Phase 2, Matchday 11(S) 20:00 Sportscenter Hindi (L) 20:30 Pool Mosconi Cup 2002 (T) 21:30 Follow Through Super

22:00 Goals! (T) 22:30 Best Of Pga Golf 98 Best Of The Pga Tour- Planes, Trains & Automobile (R) 23:00 Sportscenter Hindi (T) 23:30 Follow Through Super Six Match #6(R) STAR SPORTS (30 Minutes +) 6:30 Sportsline Tonight Sportsline (R) 7:00 Follow Through Super Six Match #5(R) 7:30 Go Kart Champions Of The Future Karting Series 2002 Glasgow, Scotland Highlights(R) 8:00 Five / Six Nations Championships Royal Bank Of Scotland Six Nations 2003 Edinburgh, Scotland Scotland Vs Wales (R) 10:00 Spanish Football League 2002/03 Spanish Football League Madrid, Spain Real Madrid Vs Racing (R) 12:00 Gillette World Sports Special Gillette World Sports (R) 12:30 Taking Guard Super Six Match #6(L) 13:00 Taking Guard Super Six Match #6(R) 13:30 Max Power Max Power 2003 (T) 14:30 Watersports World (T) 15:30 Tennis Masters Series Pacific Life Open, Indian Wells Indian Wells, Ca Usa First Round(S) 17:30 Tennis Masters Series Pacific Life Open, Indian Wells Indian Wells, Ca Usa First Round(S) 19:30 Sportsline Tonight Sportsline (L) 20:00 This Is The Pga Tour (R) 21:00 Best Of Pga Golf The 90's (T) 21:30 Follow Through Super Six Match #6(L) 22:00 Sportsline Tonight Sportsline (T) 22:30 Pool Rack 'Em Up - Best Of Steve Davis Jim Rempe Vs Steve Davis (T) 23:30 Sportsline Tonight Sportsline (R)