

RECOMMENDATIONS

Exhibition

May 16-20
Women's Initiative for Peace in South Asia holds a group painting exhibition at the Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, Dhanmondi at 5 pm, featuring art-works by 28 women artists of the country. The exhibition continues until May 20 every-day from 12 pm to 8 pm.

May 22-June 5

The inauguration of a painting exhibition by Kakoli and a sculpture exhibition by Reaz will take place at the Alliance Francaise de Dhaka on May 22 at 6:00p.m. The exhibition will continue till June 5.

May 16-22

The second solo painting exhibition of artist Rajaul Islam Loveli is going on at the Zainul gallery of Institute of Fine Arts, Dhaka University. The display is open for visitors daily from 2 pm to 8 pm.

Music

May 22-23

Nazrul Sangeet Shilpi Parishad will hold Nazrul Sangeet Conference to mark the 104th birth anniversary of the Rebel-poet Kazi Nazrul Islam. The conference will feature Nazrul songs performed by reputed Nazrul artistes of the country. On the second day the Parishad will accord reception to eminent Nazrul Sangeet personalities Firoza Begum, Sohrab Hossain, Sudhin Das, Abdus Sattar, Julhasuddin Ahmed, Khalid Hossain, Ferdousi Rahman, and Rafiqul Islam. The programme will take place at the Nazrul Institute auditorium (Road-28 (old), Dhanmondi) at 5 p.m.

Celebration

An enchanting evening with songs and dances

A cultural programme for delegates of WIPSA

NOVERA DEEPTA

THEY have come with a peace mission, from the neighbouring country India and they are the members of WIPSA - Women's Initiative for Peace in South Asia. They were welcomed by the host committee of WIPSA in Bangladesh, a corporate organisation working for women's rights, peace, trial of war crimes, fighting against fundamentalism and communalism.

A cultural programme was organised at the Mohila Shomiti auditorium, for the Indian delegates on May 17. Progya Laboni anchored the programme and recited a poem titled 'we want peace' and invited all the artistes and delegates on stage. There were slogans raised by the delegates along with the artistes of our country for peace and friendship between the two nations.

Nrityadhara performed a dance with the song 'Baje re Bangladesher dhol' under the



The delegates along with the artistes raising slogans on stage for continuity of peace and friendship in the South Asian region.

direction of Kabirul Islam Ratan. Tamanna Rahman, Shumon Ahmed and others performed in the dance. Ifat Ara Dewan and Mita Haque enchanted the audience with their rendition of Tagore songs. Shaheen Samad sang Nazrul song and the guest poet of India,

Mollika Sengupta recited her two poems titled 'Juddher Porey' and 'Rastrapotiye ekti Meyer Chithi'. Sharmin Shathi, a promising artiste sang two songs of Rajanikant and Atulproshad.

Singer Kakoli invited some of the delegates on stage to sing a *gono sangeet* with her and they sang 'Shato phul bikoshito hok' and 'Ajjoto juddhabajderhana'.

A young artiste from India Nipobithi Ghosh sang a Tagore song and another of her own number titled 'Chena swapno gandho makha balish' that was applauded by the audience. Farida Parvin presented three Lalon songs that was applauded by the audience. At the end Nrityadhara performed a Monipuri dance.

The leader of the Indian delegates, Kamla Vasing said, 'Imagine that my *chunri* is full of flowers and let me throw them to all the artistes of this programme. Here is so much love and commitment for peace and understanding. We want a world that respects every human being, Hindu and Muslim, men and women alike. We want to say to all the artistes of Bangladesh that you have made us proud, you have made South Asia proud, you have made humanity proud.'

The guests were refreshed with *pitha* and presented handicrafts made by the women of BMS.



Kabirul Islam Ratan and his troupe performing at the programme.

Awards

Tragic love story "Devdas" sweeps awards at Bollywood "Oscars"

AFP, South Africa

THE tragic love story "Devdas", directed by Sanjay Leela Bhansali, swept the International India Film Academy awards Saturday as Bollywood's galaxy of stars were welcomed by Zulu dancers.

"Devdas" a dark tale which plunges into alcoholism and prostitution, won seven of the 13 "Oscars", including best picture and best director, at the awards at Northgate, on the northern outskirts of Johannesburg.

Former Miss World Aishwarya Rai and Shahrukh Khan, who won best actress and actor awards for their roles in the film, were both absent.

Shahrukh Khan said in a video-



Indian Bollywood actress Rekha receives the best Diva award.

taped message that he was undergoing physiotherapy on his back while Rai, who broke her ankle a month ago was in Cannes, France, to represent the Indian film industry at the festival there.

"This is the one moment I cherish the most," Khan said in his message.

Legendary musical director Anandji (one name) wept as he accepted a special award for outstanding contribution to cinema.

He called Bollywood great Amitabh Bachchan, both a direc-



Bollywood actress Rani Mukherjee dances at the fourth International Indian Film Academy Awards (IIFA) at the SunDome in Johannesburg.

tor and an actor, onto the stage to share the moment with him.

Sizzling dance sequences livened up proceedings throughout the glittering ceremony.

The Bachchans, including Amitabh's actor-son Abhishek and wife Jaya, together with the sultry Rani Mukherji and heart-throb Salman Khan, proved most popular among the predominantly South African audience.

During a dance routine, Salman Khan had to be prised away by security personnel from his adoring fans after he had jumped off-stage into the audience in mid-performance. Jubilant fans mobbed the superstar, rendering him temporarily incapable of continuing with his act.

Former Indian cricket great, Ajay Jadeja, who has now turned his attention to the Bollywood scene also performed a dance routine to publicise his soon to be released film "Khe".

On stage performances had the capacity audience of about 5,000 riveted as colourful ribbons, flowers, palm trees, cages and thunderous fireworks magnified the festive atmosphere. Eager fans sometimes jostled with security to capture snapshots of the Bollywood favourites.

address, paid tribute to African National Congress stalwart Walter Sisulu who was buried earlier in the day after dying on May 5 at the age of 90.

Describing Sisulu as a "freedom fighter and father figure" he said that Bollywood "prayed for the peace and tranquility of the departed soul".



Indian Bollywood playback singer Sonu Nigam (R) receives the Best Male Playback singer award for the movie "Sathiya" from actors Salman Khan and Sunil Shetty at the fourth International Indian Film Academy Awards (IIFA) awards at the Sun Dome.

TV GUIDE

All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the programme.

BTV

- 12.10 pm News Headlines
- 12.15 Shubhechchha Nin
- 12.30 Shanbadpatrer Pata
- 12.40 Health Bulletin
- 01.00 Khabar
- 01.05 Priyo Shilpi Priyo Gaan
- 01.30 Hajjar Bachhar Dhorey
- 02.00 News Headlines
- 02.05 Cartoon Show
- 02.30 Priyo Manush
- 03.00 Khabar
- 03.05 Onu Paromanu
- 03.30 Shukhi Panbar
- 04.00 News Headlines
- 04.05 Lekha Pora
- 04.30 Open University
- 05.00 Khabar
- 05.05 School Debate Contest
- 05.45 Children's News
- 05.55 Shamokalin Aurthonoeti
- 06.00 Khabar-Desh Janopad
- 06.10 Dolon Champa
- 06.35 Nupur Nikkon
- 07.00 News Headlines
- 07.05 Share Bazaar
- 07.30 Weather bulletin
- 07.35 Shur Ananda
- 08.00 Drama Serial: Ujan
- 08.30 News at Eight
- 09.30 Shamokalin Natok
- 10.00 Drama Serial
- 10.25 News at Ten
- 10.35 Weather Bulletin
- 10.35 News Report
- 10.35 Magazine Show: Chaowa Paowa
- 11.00 Sindhu Hindol
- 11.30 Late Night News/ News Headlines

CHANNEL-i

- 07.15 Prothom Shur
- 10.00 Music Plus
- 10.30 Banijyo O Aurthonoeti
- 11.10 Unnyayon Manusher Jonnyo
- 12.00 Drama Serial: Grihagalpo
- 12.30 Ekannobarti
- 01.00 Manush Chena Daay
- 02.00 Bangla Feature Film: Nishpotti
- 05.35 Janopader Khabar
- 05.45 Special Programme
- 06.10 Music Plus
- 06.45 Bou Tubanir Phul
- 07.15 Channel-i News
- 07.45 Ispahani-i Tele Quiz (Q)
- 07.50 Band Show: Close Up
- 08.25 Drama: Joban Bondi
- 09.00 Channel-i News
- 09.31 Ispahani-i Tele Quiz (A)
- 09.35 Drama: Cactus
- 10.00 Drama: Kotha Chhilo
- 10.25 Channel-i Mobile Quiz
- 10.30 Channel-i News
- 11.10 Shangbadpatrey Bangladesh
- 11.30 Live Telecast of BTV
- 12.00 Late Night News Channel-i News

ATN BANGLA

- 06:00 Islamic Prog: Directed by Arkan Ullah Haruni
- 08:00 ATN Bangla News
- 08:25 Nabin Boran
- 09:35 Surre Madure
- 10:10 Ersha
- 12:00 ATN Bangla News
- 12:30 Ajker Sangbadpotro
- 12:40 Shurchobi
- 01:20 Samer Ghor
- 04:20 Documentary Prog
- 4:50 Ajker Sangbadpotro
- 05:00 Gram Banglar Sangbad
- 05:15 Sada Rang
- 05:50 Uro Cola Saat
- 06:25 Islamee Sawal O Jawab
- 07:00 ATN Bangla Evening News
- 07:30 Dui Kamrar Sangsar
- 08:40 Pop Dhamaka
- 09:00 ATN Bangla News
- 09:25 Chokhe Dekha
- 10:00 ATN Bangla News
- 10:30 Musical Prog
- 11:00 ATN Bangla News
- 12:00 Bengali feature film: Abhezan
- 2:00 Yes No Very Good
- 2:30 Aajker Shironam
- 7:00 Gaan-War
- 7:20 Dhush Sambad
- 8:00 Aaschey Tara Jomchhey Para
- 8:30 Tara News
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HBO

- 7:00 Cinema secrets III: 7-Oscar Winning Fx
- 7:30 The Beast
- 9:45 The Unsaid
- 12:00 The Temp
- 2:00 Contagious
- 4:00 Disturbing Behavior
- 5:45 Final Impact
- 7:45 Gloria
- 10:00 Masterminds
- 12:15 Striking Distance
- 2:15 Disturbing Behavior
- 4:00 Cinema secrets III: 7-Oscar Winning Fx
- 4:30 Gloria
- 7:00 STAR MOVIES
- 7:00 City of Angels

- 9:00 Doctor Dolittle
- 11:00 Against All Odds
- 1:15 Death Train
- 3:00 Beaches
- 5:30 Beverly Hills Ninja
- 7:00 Double Team
- 8:35 In Her Defense
- 10:30 Death Ring
- 12:30 Guest House Paradiso

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- 6:30 Movie: Bridge of Dragons
- 8:30 Rescue: High Action Adrenalin
- 9:30 No Boundaries
- 10:30 Farscape /I Yensch
- You Yensch
- 11:30 Eco-Challenge Fiji
- 12:30 Andromeda: All Too Human
- 1:30 Who Dares Wins
- 2:30 Movie: Bridge of Dragons
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- 5:30 Andromeda: All Too Human
- 6:30 Farscape/I Yensch
- You Yensch
- 7:30 Eco-Challenge: Fiji
- 8:30 Alias Mea Culpa
- 9:30 X Zone Fear Factor
- 10:30 Prime Zone Pacific Blue Juvies
- 11:30 The Late Hour
- 12:30 Fear Factor
- 1:30 Eco-Challenge: Fiji

STAR GOLD

- 7:00 Geet Bahar
- 7:30 Dahej
- 10:55 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit
- 9:00 Oprah Winfrey Show
- 11:00 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet - 20 M
- 11:25 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit
- 11:30 Ek Nari Ek Brahmachari
- 2:25 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit
- 2:30 Geet Bahar
- 3:00 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet - 20 M
- 3:25 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit
- 3:30 Ladaai
- 6:55 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit
- 7:00 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet - 20 M
- 7:25 Kuch Hit Kuch

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

HBO: 10.00 p.m. Masterminds. Oz, a rebellious teenager who just got expelled from his prep school returns for one final prank. But as he goes to the basement to set things up, he stumbles upon a security consultant, former school employee that just took the entire school hostage for millions in ransom. Oz must rely on his youth and love for pranks to outwit the devious criminal mastermind.

STAR MOVIES: 12.30 a.m. Guest House Paradiso. Richie and Eddie are in charge of the worst hotel in the UK, Guest House Paradiso, neighbouring a nuclear power plant. The illegal immigrant chef has fled and all the guests have gone. But when a famous Italian filmstar, Gina Carbonara, who is in hiding from a fiancé she doesn't want to marry, arrives at the hotel, things get very interesting!

- 7:30 Superhit Damini
- 10:55 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit
- 11:00 Kuch Yaadein Kuch Baatein
- 11:30 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet - 20 M
- 11:55 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit
- 12:00 Jaane Jigar
- 7:30 The Simpsons
- 8:00 Friends
- 7:30 Suddenly Susan
- 8:00 Hollywood Squares
- 8:30 The Brady Bunch
- 9:00 Cheers
- 9:30 Oprah Winfrey Show
- 10:30 Nash bridges
- 11:30 Traders
- 12:30 World's Wildest Police Videos
- 1:30 Chicago Hope
- 2:28 Star Asia Travel
- 2:30 Oprah Winfrey Show
- 3:30 Bold and Beautiful
- 4:30 Hollywood Squares
- 5:00 The Brady Bunch
- 5:30 Knight Rider
- 6:30 The Simpsons
- 7:00 Everybody Loves Raymond
- 7:30 Dharma & Greg
- 8:30 Friends
- 8:30 The King Of Queens
- 9:00 Dharma & Greg
- 10:00 Grounded for Life
- 10:00 Frasier
- 10:30 Boston Public
- 11:28 Star Asia Travel
- 11:30 Baywatch
- 6:00 Danger Diaries
- 7:00 High Peak Rescue
- 7:30 Chasing Time
- 8:00 Microlight Odyssey
- 8:30 Football Fever
- 9:00 Ormate Caves of Borneo
- 10:00 Danger Diaries
- 11:00 The Last Tonnara
- 11:30 Nick's Quest
- 12:00 Surfer's Journal
- 12:30 Explorer's Journal
- 1:30 Out There
- 2:00 Football Fever
- 2:30 Across The Line
- 3:00 Along The Inca Road
- 3:30 Danger Diaries
- 4:30 Fire!
- 5:00 Explorer's Journal
- 6:00 Chasing Time
- 6:30 Microlight Odyssey
- 7:00 Football Fever
- 7:30 The Lonely Dorymen
- 8:30 Danger Diaries
- 9:30 Surfer's Journal

PICK OF THE DAY



Gloria
On HBO at 7.45 p.m. Sharon Stone plays a street-wise, middle-aged moll standing up against the mobs, all of which is complicated by a 6 year old urchin with a will of his own who she reluctantly takes under her wing after his family has been gunned down.

- 10:00 Chasing Time
- 10:30 Microlight Odyssey
- 11:00 Football Fever
- 11:30 The Lonely Dorymen
- 9:00 Gillette World Sports Special
- 9:30 International Motorsports Ne
- 10:30 Spanish Football League 2002/03
- 3:30 HITZ
- 4:00 SBK Superbike SBK Superbike
- 6:00 Sportsline Tonight
- 11:00 Sportsline
- 11:30 Swimsuit The Making of Sports
- 8:30 Aussie Animal Rescue
- 9:00 Wild Rescues
- 9:30 K-9 To 5
- 10:00 Crocodile Hunter
- 10:30 Jeff Corwin Experience Arizona
- 11:30 Croc Files
- 12:00 Twisted Tales Spider
- 12:30 Planet's Funniest Animals
- 1:00 Saturday Superstars
- 1:30 They Call Him Chantek
- 2:30 Vets In Practice
- 3:00 Dog's Dinner
- 3:00 Postcards from the Wild
- 3:30 Crocodile Hunter
- 4:30 Animals A-Z
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- Whales
- 6:00 National Geo-Genius SR 2
- 6:30 Mission Everest
- 7:00 Built for the Kill
- 8:00 Myths & Logic of Shaolin
- 9:00 Wild Orphans
- 9:30 Next Wave S2
- 10:00 Mission Everest
- 10:30 Super Croc - 1 Hour Version
- 11:30 Dogs with Jobs S3
- 12:00 Earth Pulse
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- 2:00 Toyota World of Wildlife S3

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- The Dragons of Galapagos
- 3:30 Super Croc 1 Hour Version
- 4:30 King Cobra
- 5:30 Animal Edens
- 6:00 Return to the Wild
- 6:30 Dogs with Jobs
- 7:00 Earthpulse
- 7:30 Built for the Kill
- 8:00 Croc Chronicles
- 9:00 Toyota World of Wildlife S3
- 9:30 Foxes of the Kalahari
- 10:30 Top Cat
- 11:30 Kabul Zoo Rescue

STAR PLUS

- 6:00 Kyun Hota Hai Pyarr
- 6:30 Geet Bahar
- 7:30 Dr Morepen Tango - Daily
- 8:30 Shaka Laka Boom Boom
- 9:00 Taaza Hits
- 9:05 Hit Filemin Hit Sangeet
- 9:30 Fox Kids
- 10:10 Hit Filemin Hit Sangeet
- 10:30 Meri Saheli
- 11:00 Pal Chinn
- 11:30 Kabhii Sautan Kabhii Saheli
- 12:00 Shanti
- 12:30 Hit Filemin Hit Sangeet
- 12:55 Taaza Hits
- 1:00 Kasauti Zindagii Kay
- 1:30 Kumkum-Pyara Sa Bandhan
- 2:00 Bhabhi
- 2:30 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi
- 3:00 Shagun
- 3:30 Kabhi Aaye Na Judai
- 4:00 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii
- 4:30 Kaahin Kissi Roz
- 5:00 Film Topper
- 5:05 Saans
- 5:30 Hit Filemin Hit Sangeet
- 5:55 Taaza Hits
- 6:00 Hum Saath Aath Hain
- 6:30 Fox Kids
- 6:25 Film Topper - 301 Series
- 7:30 Kumkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan
- 7:55 Film Topper - 301 Series
- 8:00 Shaka Laka Boom Boom
- 8:30 Krishna Arjun

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- 9:30 Des Mein Nikla Hoga Chand
- 10:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii
- 11:00 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi
- 11:30 Kaahin Kissi Roz
- 12:00 Bhabhi

SONY

- 7:00 Amrit Varsha
- 8:00 Sant Asaram Vani
- 8:30 Om Namah Shivay
- 9:30 Good Morning Disney
- 10:30 Chartbusters
- 11:00 Music Mantra
- 11:30 Indian Holiday
- 12:00 Cook It up With Tarla Dalal
- 12:30 CID
- 1:00 Kkusum
- 1:30 Meri Biwi Wonderful
- 2:00 Kahani Terri Merri
- 2:30 Kutumb
- 3:00 Dhadkan
- 3:30 Ghar Ek Mandir
- 4:00 Alpaviram
- 4:30 Kaun Agna Kaun Paraya
- 5:00 Malgudi Days
- 5:30 Dekh Bhai Dekh
- 6:00 Just Mohabbat
- 6:30 Disney Hour
- 7:30 Chartbusters
- 8:00 Music Mantra
- 8:30 Ab Ayega Mazzaa
- 9:00 Kuch Kehti Hai Yeh Dhun
- 9:30 Kkusum
- 10:00 Kahani Terri Merri
- 10:30 Achanak 37 Saal Baad
- 11:00 Aahat Dehshat Ke 6 Saal
- 11:30 Kutumb
- 12:00 Ghar Ek Mandir

TEN SPORTS

- 7:00 WWF: Specials: Backlash 2003
- 9:30 Sri Lanka, New Zealand, Pakistan Triangular '03: 6th ODI, NZ vs SL
- 6:00 Raw
- 7:30 Bajaj Caliber 1 15 Sports Update
- 7:35 Raw
- 8:05 Sri Lanka, New Zealand, Pakistan Triangular '03: 6th ODI, NZ vs SL
- 9:30 Bajaj Caliber 1 15 Sports Update
- 9:35 Sri Lanka, New Zealand, Pakistan Triangular '03: 6th ODI, NZ vs SL
- 10:05 World Football News
- 10:55 Bajaj Caliber 1 15 Sports Update
- 11:00 Raw
- 11:30 Bajaj Caliber 1 15 Sports Update
- 11:35 Raw

5:00

- Splat
- Planet's Funniest Animals
- 6:00 Postcards From The Wild
- 6:30 Adventure Crazy
- California Cruisin
- 7:00 Treks in a Wild World
- The Alps
- 7:30 Wild Discovery: Killer Crocs of Costa Rica
- 8:30 Classic Discovery: Dragon Horse
- 9:30 Gentleman's War
- 10:00 Hammer Into Anvil
- 10:30 Amazing Worlds/Wonders Of The World
- 11:30 FBI Files Price of Greed

ESPN

- 9:00 XBS
- 5:30 School Quiz Show
- ESPN School Quiz 2003
- 6:00 Western Union World Football
- 8:30 Sportscenter Hindi
- 9:00 Best of PGA Golf Gallery Favorit
- 9:30 Spanish Football League 2002/03
- 11:30 Sportscenter Hindi
- 12:00 School Quiz Show
- ESPN School Qi