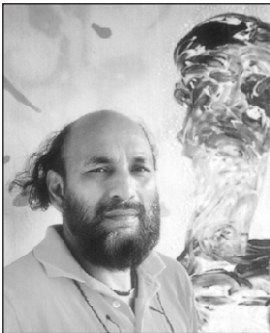


RECOMMENDATIONS



**Exhibition**  
**May 23, 29 - June 12**  
Bengal Shilpalay organises an exhibition of recent works by Kalidas Karmakar titled 'Alluvial Facets' at the Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts from May 29 to June 12. A preview of these works will be held at the artist's studio *Atelier-71* (Eastern tower - 1504, Bldg # 3, 14th Floor, 20 New Eskaton, Dhaka) today (May 23) at 4 to 8:30p.m.

**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. Today 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 5p.m.

**May 24-26**  
Bengal Shilpalay will host a musical presentation titled *Shongey Theko Sangeet*, by young classical, instrumental and Nazrul artists. The schedule follows:  
May 24  
*Classical vocal* by Idul Bashar Rahi  
*Setar* by Ibadul Haque Saikat  
May 25  
*Classical vocal* by Amin Akhter Saadmani  
*Flute* by Murtaza Kabir Murad  
May 26  
*Nazrul Sangeet* by Bijon Chandra Mistri, Sadia Afreen Hamid Nijhum, Jalal Hasan and Mimi Farhana Haque.  
The programme starts everyday at 7p.m.

Exhibition

A fresh wave of Impressionism

Anukul Mojumder's exhibition at "Shilpangan"

FAYZA HAQ

ANUKUL Mojumder, who has his exhibition of acrylic on paper at "Shilpangan" says that he was interested in painting since his childhood and later he was inspired by the local masters, Zainul Abedin, SM Sultan and Quamrul Hassan. "Like them I too portrayed rural scenes and the



Anukul Mojumder

beauty of simple village life and the inhabitants that one finds there, specially the women. I used acrylic as I can do the work quickly and can change at will. Also, the material is easily available locally. I have not used canvas because I need a bigger surface to place that on and it is difficult for me to store canvas. The paper that I've used is quite thick and durable, being fairly expensive. Handmade and locally produced, it costs Tk 22 per piece. In this exhibition I have worked on two series, mother and child, and Bangladeshi village scenes being inspired by what I saw at Bagerhat during my childhood: the trees, rivers, rivulets and the simple thatched homes. Elements such as boats and clouds affected me enormously in my youth and I try to capture their essence in my work. I want to modernize the Bengali traditional culture of my past. I want to project the beautiful elements that are characteristic of my country and naturally my youth.

"I have come to the city but the mechanization and pollution here induce me to be nostalgic about my younger days. I've grown up in a village without electricity and now that I've lived in the city for ages now, I find it difficult to adjust to the fast moving mechanical life here. I've dedicated my work to my grandmother and grand aunt so that you

will realize my attachment to the past.

"As for the mother and child theme, it has come down from before the Renaissance, the Middle Ages. I find an ethereal element in a child while a mother's love is something divine. I take the European style but set it in a Bangladeshi background and people in it with characters from the villages."

Talking about the difference between the present exhibition and the one before at the Zainul Gallery, Anukul says, "My earlier work was more academic than personal and individual even though that was somewhat abstract. I'm naturally influenced by Matisse and Van Gogh. In my present work I've tried to bring in the wet weather as well as the dry hot one."

In "Silence" we see a tall palm tree done in blue and black, while behind it are splashes of mauve, green and gray, which bring in a pathway, some hedges to the side, as well as trees and the sky which has been presented in rough geometrical divisions of space with variations of muted colours. In another painting the trunk of the tree has been brought in by subtle wriggling of a single line in gray-green, while on top are vigorous splashes of gray and white. The backdrop and a tree in front have been brought in with washes of



Face



Reunion

white and gray.

"Dream pond" brings in a soft gray-green swirl of water with intermittent strokes of white with vertical lines of black, touched with yellow and white, to bring in trees in the vicinity. More inclusion of gray in the backdrop, with mauve and white, shows the forest in the composition. Leaves and grass at the side of the pond have also been included. In another presentation of a tree we see gray and white in

dramatic strokes to bring in the details of the foliage, trunk and branches while the rest of the space is covered with cascading beige, mauve, with a boat in the distance and a fence in the forefront.

In "First love" we see woman in a sari, with a golden complexion, holding a child, done in strokes of blue and mauve. The backdrop in green, mauve and black includes a tree and a window of a house. In "Happy mother-1" we see maternal adoration once again in the form of a female cuddling her three children, each of them done in different sizes and hues, outlined with black. The woman's sari border is in bright green and red which offsets the indigo, brown and beige children with their mops of curly hair. The backdrop is in green, blue and gray, while rectangles of beige and emerald form the ground in front.

"Reunion" brings in a male form, with only a loin cloth, as he embraces a gorgeous female, in a red blouse and matching skirt, bordered with green and striped with red. Large eyes and cupid lips complete the woman while behind the couple is a playful child.

It is in the works of fairly young artists like Anukul Mojumder that we see the present generation artists' attempts to revive our past and yet surge ahead with confident steps.

Film

Mousumi ascends as a director

Ceremonial beginning of "Kokhono Megh Kokhono Brishti" held

CULTURE DESK

POPULAR actress Mousumi is appearing as a director with the script of famous novelist Rabeya Khatun. Popular singer Bashir Ahmed is also coming back as a playback singer in the film after nine years.

Inauguration of shooting of the first film under her direction *Kokhono Megh Kokhono Brishti* was held at Osmani Memorial Auditorium on May 21. Information Minister Tariqul Islam was present at the occasion as chief

guest while Managing Director of Bangladesh Film Development Corporation (BFDC) Wasimul Bari Rajib was the special guest. A number of prominent and legendary artists were present to encourage the endeavour.

Recently there have been several meets of the film-stars of the country raising the voice against obscenity in Bangla films and on the satellite channels. In the face of this crisis when many are leaving the industry, Impress Tele Film Ltd. has come forward with the aim to bring back the past glory.

Their first film production *Kokhono Megh Kokhono Brishti* would be the lighthouse to the sinking industry. Speakers in their speech in a common voice urged to all the activists of the industry to save it by giving their best to produce good films. The minister promised to provide all possible support by the government. He promised to equip FDC with digital system within the next two years.

The casts of *Kokhono Megh Kokhono Brishti* are Razzak, Babita, Ferdous and many others. The music of the film will be directed by Emon Saha.

TV Drama

Drama *BariAshio*, written by Shahidullah Farayeezi and directed by Shahidul Islam Mintu, is going to be aired on BTV soon. Zahid Hassan and Bonya Mirza portray a runaway youth Manik and his wife Parul.



Endeavour



PHOTO: AFP

Singaporean batik artist, Sakasi Said, poses with his completed batik painting of orchids on a piece of fabric measuring 100-meters in Singapore, 20 May 2003. The 62-year-old painter finished the 100-hour feat, which stretches to 103.9-meters long, and will send the video footage and details for verification to the Guinness World Record in London.

TV GUIDE

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

BTV

8:30	Opening Announcement
8:40	Shubhechha Nin
8:50	Alor Pothe
9:00	News
9:15	Karate Do
9:35	Shomaroho
10:00	The News
10:05	Janma Bhumi
10:15	Drama for Children: Shopner Deshe
10:35	Notun Kuri
11:00	News Headline
12:00	News Headline
3:03	Opening Announcement
3:10	News Headline
3:15	Shangbadpotrer Pata Theke
3:25	Bangla Feature Film
4:00	News Headline
5:00	News
5:35	Cartoon Film
6:00	News Desh Janapad
6:10	Pescription
6:35	Programmes from Chittagong Centre
7:00	News Headline
	Share Market
	Weather Forecast
7:05	Maloncha
7:30	Serial: Alif Laila
8:00	News at Eight (Bangla)
8:30	Apnar Charpash
9:00	Aniyarokom
9:30	Shoptodong
10:00	News at Ten
10:25	News Reporting
10:30	Aina
11:00	Believe It Or Not
11:30	Late Night News/News Headline
<b>CHANNEL-I</b>	
02:00	Satyer Sandane
03:00	Bangla Feature Film : Protigat
05:10	Teerer Bahari Ranna
05:35	Jonopoder Khabor
05:45	Pakhir Kache Fuler Kache
06:10	Music Plus
06:45	Special Programme
07:15	Channel-I News
07:45	Ispahani-I Tele Quiz (Q)
07:55	Drama Serial: Auvimani
08:25	Drama Serial: Horek Rokom Jibon
09:00	Channel-I News
09:31	Ispahani-I Tele Quiz (R)
09:35	Megha Serial : Akannobori
10:00	Hridoyer Kache
10:30	Channel-I News
11:15	Sangbad Potrey Bangladesh
11:20	Business Show
11:30	Late Night News Of BTV
12:15	Channel-I News

ATN BANGLA

6:00	Islamic Prog
8:00	ATN Bangla News
8:25	Cheinly Na Amai
9:00	Film Magazine : Henolux Benudon Bichitra
9:35	Drama serial : Kakkhachuta
10:10	Reporting prog. : Prekhhapot
11:05	Islamic prog.
12:00	ATN Bangla News
12:20	Ajker Sangbadpotro
12:40	Islamic Prog
3:25	Bengali Feature Film: Moumoche
4:50	Ajker Sangbadpotro
5:00	Gramganger
6:25	Children prog. Amra Karbo Joy
7:00	ATN Bangla Evening News
7:30	Pathe Pathe
8:05	Musical prog.
8:40	Alpo Katha
9:00	ATN Bangla News
9:25	Drama Serial: Chaleta Ferechay
10:00	ATN Bangla News
10:30	Music Vision
11:00	ATN Bangla News
12:00	Bengali Feature Film: Raj Kapal
<b>TARA BANGLA</b>	
6:30	Aajiker Shironam
7:00	Gaan-War
7:20	Dhush Sambad
8:30	Tara News
9:30	Tara News Bangla-desh
10:00	Banglar Mukh
10:30	News Magazine
11:30	Tara News
<b>SONY</b>	
7:30	Amrit Varsha
8:00	Sant Asaram Vani
8:30	Om Namah Shivay
9:00	Good Morning Disney
10:30	Charbusters
11:00	Music Mantra
11:30	Shaheen
12:00	Harmony
12:30	Kya Hadsaa Kya Haqeeqat
1:30	Kabhi Biwi Kabhi Jasoo
2:30	Boogie Woogie
3:00	Dhadkan
4:00	Gha Ek Mandi

4:30	Alpviram
	Kaun Apna Kaun Paraya
5:00	Cadburys Bourvilta
	Quic Contes
5:30	Shri Krishna
6:30	Disney Hour
7:00	Charbusters
7:30	Music Mantra
8:00	Kya Madsaad Kya Haqeeqat
9:30	Devi
10:00	Heena
10:30	CID
11:00	Meri Bibi Wonderful
11:30	Bhanwar
12:00	Ghar Ek Mandi

STAR PLUS

6:00	Bhabhi
6:30	Geet Bhahar
7:30	Dr Morepen Tango - Daily
8:30	Shaka Laka Boom Boom
9:00	Taaza Hits
9:05	Hit Filmein Hit
9:30	Fox Kids
10:10	Hit Filmein Hit
10:30	Hit Filmein Hit
11:00	Pal Chinn
11:30	Kabhii Sautan Kabhii Saheli
12:00	Shanti
12:30	Hit Filmein Hit
12:55	Taaza Hits
1:00	Sonpari
1:30	Tu Tu Main Main
2:00	Kundali
2:30	Samnewali Khidki
3:00	Kyun Hota Hai
3:30	Krishna Arjun
4:00	Khichdi
4:30	Aur Phir Ek Din
5:00	Film Topper - 301 Series
5:05	Saans
5:30	Hit Filmein Hit
5:55	Taaza Hits
6:00	Hum Saath Aath
6:30	Fox Kids
6:25	Film Topper - 301 Series
7:30	Tu Tu Main Main
7:55	Film Topper - 301 Series
8:00	Shaka Laka Boom Boom
11:00	Ooh La La

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS



**Star Movies:** 08:45pm  
**Luminarias:** Opposites attract during Lent on LA's east side, as four successful chicanas near 40 without men. They drink and laugh at Luminarias, in Monterey Park. Andrea's husband has just left her for a blond. Sofia, a psychologist who's moved to the west side, sets her up with a Jewish lawyer, Andrea's anti-gringo rage tests that relationship.



**HBO:** 12.05 a.m. **To Die For**  
Suzanne Stone knows exactly what she wants. She wants to be a television newscaster and she is willing to do ANYTHING to get what she wants. What she lacks in intelligence, she makes up for in cold determination and diabolical wiles. As she pursues her goal with relentless focus, she is forced to destroy anything and anyone that may stand in her way, regardless of the ultimate cost or means necessary.

PICK OF THE DAY



Enter the Dragon

On HBO at 10:00 pm

A martial arts expert is recruited to infiltrate a drug operation under the guise of taking part in an invitational competition sponsored by the one handed crime boss. This was Bruce Lee's most popular film in the west. This is spoofed in The Kentucky Fried Move.

DISCOVERY

8:30	Wild Discovery
	Swarms
9:30	Globetrekker
10:30	Shipwreck In The China Sea
11:30	White Gold of the Dragon Sea
12:30	Makeover Story: Back From Bosnia
1:00	Streets of the World : La's Sunset Boulevard
1:30	Health Showcase : Space Research
2:30	New Detectives
	Electronic Witness
3:30	Globetrekker
4:30	Truth Or Scare: Ufos
5:00	Operation Junkyard
5:30	Animal Planet's Croc Hunter Reptiles of The Lost Continent
6:30	Sailing/Sea Legends
7:00	Those Who Dare
	Firefighter
7:30	Wild Discovery Venom : Nine Ways To Die
8:30	If We Had No Moon
10:30	Future Perfect : Spaceplanes
11:30	Crime Night The Hunter

ESPN

6:00	Spanish League
	Highlights 2002/03
6:30	Sportscenter Hindi

WRESTLING

7:00	Wrestling Apple Crush
7:30	School Quiz Show
	ESPN School
11:30	School Quiz Show
	ESPN School
12:00	Western Union World Football
	School Quiz Show
	ESPN School
5:45	Sportscenter Hindi
11:00	School Quiz Show
12:00	ESPN School
<b>HBO</b>	
7:00	Elizabeth
9:30	Cinema Secrets III: 7-Oscar Winning FX
10:00	The Funhouse
12:00	The Money Pit
2:00	The Point Men
3:45	Beverly Hills Cop II
5:45	The Hard Way
8:00	Fear
10:00	Enter The Dragon
12:00	To Die For
2:15	Beverly Hills Cop II
4:15	Cameramen Who Dared
7:00	Explorer's Journal
8:30	Danger Diaries
10:00	Football Fever
12:00	Surfer's Journal
12:30	Explorer's Journal
2:30	Assault On Manaslu
3:30	Danger Diaries
4:30	Secret of Tsangpo
5:00	Explorer's Journal
6:00	Racing The Moon
7:00	Cameramen Who Dared
11:30	Explorer's Journal
<b>STAR MOVIES</b>	
7:15	The Saint of Fort
	Washing
9:00	Mad Love
10:45	Without Limits
12:45	Cocktail
2:30	Michael Collins

4:45	Caper fear
7:00	My Best Friend's Wedding
8:45	Luminarias
10:30	Murder At 1600
12:30	Black Moon Rising

AXN

6:30	Movie: My Stepmother is an Alien
8:30	High Action Adrenalin
9:30	Scariest Places On Earth
10:30	Earth Final Conflict
	Unearthed
11:30	Motorworld/Rated
12:30	Relic Hunter/Vampire's Kiss
1:30	Now See This
2:30	Movie: My Stepmother is an Alien
4:30	High Action Adrenalin
5:30	Relic Hunter /Vampire's Kiss
6:30	Earth Final Conflict/Unearthed
7:30	Motorworld/Who Dears Wins
8:30	Alias/The Box, Conclusion
9:30	The Right Stuff/Rated
10:30	Andromeda/Una Salus Victus
11:30	No Boundaries
12:30	The Right Stuff/Rated
1:30	Who Dears Wins

ADVENTURE ONE

7:00	On Assignment
7:30	Lionhearts
8:30	Bird Nesters of Thailand
9:00	Explorer's Journal
10:00	Danger Diaries
11:00	Football Fever
12:00	Surfer's Journal
12:30	Explorer's Journal
2:30	Assault On Manaslu
3:30	Danger Diaries
4:30	Secret of Tsangpo
5:00	Explorer's Journal
6:00	Racing The Moon
7:00	Cameramen Who Dared
11:30	Explorer's Journal

STAR WORLD

6:00	Kenneth Copeland
	Ministries

6:30	The Simpsons
7:00	Friends
7:30	Suddenly Susan
8:00	Hollywood Squares
8:30	The Brady Bunch
9:00	Cheers
9:30	Oprah Winfrey Show
10:30	Buffy The Vampire Slayer
11:30	Angel
12:30	Nypd Blue
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	Drama & Greg
8:00	Friends
8:30	TNA Wrestling
9:30	World's Wildest Police Videos
10:30	Nash Bridges
11:28	Star Asia Travel
11:30	Baywatch

ANIMAL PLANET

8:30	Wild Rescues
9:00	Croc Files/Croc Hunter Diaries
9:30	Animal Planet Safari
10:30	Natural World
11:30	Planet's Funniest Animals
12:00	Breed All About It
12:00	Battersea Dogs Home
1:00	Wednesday Wilderness
1:30	Wednesday Wilderness
2:30	Jeff Corwin Experience into Africa
1:30	Wild Island/Zookeepers
4:00	Wild On The Set
4:30	Animal Planet Safari
5:30	Savage Wilderness/Big Five Little Five
6:30	Battersea Dogs Home
7:00	Wednesday Wilderness
7:30	Wednesday Wilderness
8:30	Jeff Corwin Experience
9:30	Wild Island /Zookeepers Food For Thought
10:00	Wild On The Set
	Primates

10:30	Animal Planet Safari
11:30	Savage Wilderness/Big Five Little Five
	Southern Africa:

STAR SPORTS

8:30	Cricket Talk Show Best of Hars
9:00	Dream Team
9:30	Sports Unlimited
10:30	Wrestling Apple Crush
5:00	Spanish League Highlights 2002
5:30	Inside The PGA Tour
8:00	Sportsline Tonight Sportsline
8:30	Cricket Talk Show Best of Hars
9:00	Spanish League Highlights 2002
9:30	NBA Inside Stuff
10:00	Dream Team
10:30	Sports line Tonight Sportsline
11:00	Cricket Talk Show Best of Hars
11:30	Pool Rack 'EM UP 2-Women in BC