RECOMMENDATIONS

Exhibition May 29 - June 12

Bengal Shilpalay organises an exhibition of recent works by Kalidas Karmakar titled 'Alluvial Faces' at the Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts from May 29 to June 12.

May 22 - June 5

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

May 25

May 24-26

Music Bengal Shilpalay will host a musical presentation titled Shongey Theko Sangeet, by young classical, instrumental and Nazrul artistes. The schedule follows: May 24 Classical vocal by Idul Bashar

Setar by Ibadul Haque Saikat

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 7 p.m.

Film Festival

May 24 - 28

Organised by Dhaka University Film Society a film festival titled 'Satyajit Er Chalachhitra' will start from today at 10a.m at the TSC auditorium, University of Dhaka. Screening schedule is as follows: May 24

10am - Piku, 12:30p.m - Pother Pachali, 3:30p.m. - Gupi Gain Bagha Bain, 6pm - Tin Konnya.

10am - Jolsha Ghor, 12:30pm -Hirok Rajar Deshe, 3:30pm Nayok, 6pm - Rabindranath O' Charulata.

May 26 10am - Oporajita, 12:30pm - Jono-

Oronnya, 3:30pm - Oshoni Shonket, 6:00pm - Mohanagar.

Interview

The making of a Moliere play

"Georges Dadin ou le mari Confondu" at Alliance Française

FAYZA HAQ

SHIM Das says about his play "Georges Dadin ou le mari Confondu", that was seen recently at Alliance Francaise open air stage, "The plot is that of a tragi- comedy that revolves around Georges Dadin, who is an average farmer who has married to Angelique, who belongs to the aristocracy and whose family had enormous wealth at one time. Georges had believed that by marrying above his class he would stand to gain and Angelique's parents had accepted him because of his accumulated wealth. However, Angelique, coming from a feudal background cannot assimilate with Georges's simple life. Angelique and Georges do not get along and ultimately he commits suicide out of frustration and inability to cope with situations that arise, i.e. Angelique's clandestine attachment with the count. He tries to prove his wife's disloyalty to her parents but fails miserably to do so: his ego and self respect are dashed to smithereens. Elaborating on the other char-

acters, Das says, "With Angelique come her parents . At George's



Andre Moliere

house is a maidservant, Claudine, who helps Angelique with her affair with the count. Lubin is the count's servant and of course there is the count who brings desperation and misery in George's life.'

He adds, "The setting is a large old house, which once belonged to some landlord, and which Georges had bought in order to renovate. Some action takes place beside the stage, at times,

and such as when the forest is



A still from the play 'Georges Dadin ou le mari Confondu'

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brought in by movable props."

Das continues about the theme, " The play, set in the 16th presents the conflict between the classes in France. It is something like Anton Chekhov's 'Cherry Orchard'." Asked about the problems that

he had faced in making the play, Das says, " I didn't find the translation easy to follow. I got it from the Chittagong Alliance Francaise and it was by Arup Rudro and Chinmoy Guho from Kolkata. I had no English translation to fall back on, and don't know French myself that I could read the original text. However, Emmanuel Bottiau, Director of the Chittagong Alliance Francaise, helped me to alter the translation. I have read quite a bit of Moliere and felt that I could make interpretations of my own such as in the nocturnal meeting between the count and Angelique in the forest and during the scene between George and Angelique in Act 1, Scene 3 where Georges chafes her for not being a faithful wife and she says that she is young and wants to taste life. The ending in the original translation too was too brief so I elaborated it somewhat. In my play Georges talks at length about his dream being shattered and when there is no hope in sight for him he hangs himself from a mango tree in his orchard.'

" I did not have problems with the costume as earlier I had done some period plays by Moliere such as 'Le Mariage Force' which called 'Biye Birombona' and Carlo Goldoni's 'Servant of Two Masters'. Some of the actors are from my own 'Fame School of Dance Drama and Music' while some are from the Alliance Francaise, Chittagong. Out of the seven actors, six are from my own school.

"I have enough experience in presenting plays in Dhaka, such as 'Itihash Kotha Ko', 'The Servant of Two Masters' and so had the confidence to bring this play to Dhaka. I used only one setting but the space is broken as the

HBO at 07:45 p.m Masterminds Oz,

expelled from his preppy school returns

for one final prank. But as he goes to

a rebellious teenager who just got

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

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

stage and along the aisles of the sitting space.'

CULTURF.

Asked to elaborate on his earlier experiences Das said, I've been on stage since my schooldays and in 1994 went to the National School of Drama, New Delhi, with an Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) scholarship. There I did a three year diploma course. So far I've done 16 plays such as 'Archangels don't play pinball', 'Le Mariage Force' and 'Noti Binodini.'

Dwelling on how his family takes his immersion in drama, Das says, " I have a Masters in Management but gave up my career in that field. My wife, a 'katthak' performer, Tilotoma Sengupta, encourages me, while my parents too are used to my interest in plays. I'm inspired mostly by the masters Shakespeare, Tagore and Ibsen. In Bangladesh, I think Dr. Jamil Ahmed and Mamunur Rashid have contributed the most towards the development of stage plays.

He adds," It is not easy for me to pursue this career as financially, so far I have had to rely on the fees from my school of drama for a living. Merely presenting plays is just not enough.

Talking about his actors and actresses, Das says, "Angelique is played by Hema Borua, who has done plays like 'Roktokorobi' and Ekjon Lokhindor,' has been doing plays for four years. The role of Georges Dadin is played by Al Noman who has about four years experience in the world of drama. He has done about eight plays like Abdullah Al Mamun's Tomrai acho', 'Shopno bodh' ('Archangels don't play pinball') and 'Noti Binodini'. Md Saifur Rahman, who plays the role of Georges's father in-law was once a student of the 'Bodhon Abriti School' (Chittagong). Shutopa Borua acts as Angelique's mother and has been in the theatre world for ten years."

A Tabla player's mind

Milon Bhatachariya speaks about the scope and prospects of Tabla playing

NOVERA DEEPITA

started playing Tabla when I was only five years old.' said Tabla player Milon Bhatachariya, 'My guru was Late Ustad Kanailal Das and I learned to play Tabla under his tutelage for about 17 years. He was my first guru. After that my guru was Ustad Aditiya Narayan Das who was in the Ariya Sangit Academy in Chittagong." emy in Chittagong.

Milon Bhatachariya was a child prodigy who used to play at the children's programme on the Radio Pakistan. Milon said, 'It was about 40 years ago when I used to play Tabla with my elder sister Protima who was a singer. From then on people involved with the cultural activities used to contact me for accompaniment at various programmes

'The main inspiration of my playing was my father Dhirendralal Bhatachariya. Without his inspira-tion It would have been difficult to reach at the position of a tabla player which I am today.' Milon said that during the liberation war he used to learn Tabla under Biplob Chattergee for three months at the Rabindra Sharoni of Calcutta.

In the early years Milon was a staff artiste at the radio station of Dhaka, but nowadays he plays for audiocassettes, cinema and television. He played in almost all the cinemas of the country since 1973.



Milon Bhatachariya

About audiocassettes he said, 'I played Tabla for audiocassettes and probably the number might exceed five or six hundred.

According to Milon the satellite channels have opened many opportunities for the instrument players including Tabla. He said, 'The scope of playing for programmes and audiocassettes have created wider opportunities for the musicians as a

'Tabla was not used so widely before. There were drums with which the effect of Tabla was carried on.' Milon said, 'But I tried hard to establish Tabla in this field. There was disrespect for the Tabla players along with the instrument for a long time. But the situation

has changed now, Tabla as well as the players are now seen with

Milon chose playing Tabla as his profession which was primarily his passion and he recalled a memorable event of his life when he played with Ustad Bahadur Hossain Khan. He said , 'Ustad Bahadur Hossain Khan was in Chittagong in 1974 where he performed on stage. He didn't appreciate the playing of the Tabla artiste who accompanied him. There was a friend of mine who referred me to him. The next day I played for him while he was singing a tune for me. He was very pleased with my playing which I did for a few minutes . As everybody knows that there must be a preparation and rehearsal before playing for any Ustad. But I had none and still I confidently played with him. After the programme was over he embraced me and prayed for me to God. I can never forget this event of

To the new generation of Tabla players Milon's advice is; they should work hard and practice for a good amount of time everyday. He said, There is a tendency of the new generation to play for the songs before learning it properly. It is not a right practice. And another thing is the new players are eager to earn more than learn. This practice should be stopped. They should learn, listen and observe how the Ustads play and how they became great players. Only then

Cinema



Scientific American

Through These Eyes

Frontier

Dared

DISCOVERY

Nick's Quest

Full Circle With

Michael-Palin

Mystery Hunters

Mega Movie Magic:

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I Love My Music

Buck Staghorn's

Everglades Bites

Animal Bites:

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Bollywood actress Rani Mukherjee poses during a promotion for her new movie. Chalte Chalte at production house in Bombay on May 21. The film is scheduled to be released in June.

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Gillette World Sports

World Wide Rugby

TV GUIDE

All programmes are in local time. The

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2:00	News Headline	
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2:30	Documentary	
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4:00	News Headline	
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Late Night News Of BTV

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Weather Forecast

News Reporting

News at Ten

Pop Show

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ATN BANGLA

6:00	Islamic Prog
8:00	ATN Bangla News
8:25	Pathe Pathe
9:00	Musical prog:
9:35	Magazine Prog. Alpo
	Katha
10:50	Drama Serial: Chaleta
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12:00	ATN Bangla News
12:20	Ajker Sangbadpotro
12:40	Viewers Request Film
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1:20	Bengali Feature Film:
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4:20	Children Prog. Shapla
	Shaluk
4:50	Ajker Sangbadpotro
5:00	Gram Banglar
	Sangbad
5:15	Healthcare prog:
	Sustha Thakun
5:50	Musical Prog: "Saat
	Rang"
6:25	Islamic Prog. "Islamee
	Sawal O Jawab"

"Stadium"

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Rescue/Who Dares Wins Guinness World Records: Primetime Pacific Blue Relic Hunter Movie: No Mercy Movie: Ignition The Right Stuff Rescue Fear Factor Now See This

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Celebrate With Music

Water Rats

Baywatch Hawaii

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World's Wildest Police

Xena: Warrior Princes

STAR MOVIES at 09:30 p.m.Last Dance A chronicle, which goes behind the scenes on a stormy collaboration

between the iconoclastic dance company, Pilobolus, and legendary author-illustrator Maurice Sendak, Over months of improv work in the studio, they transform a haunting holocaust legacy into a disturbing theater piece. The documentary weaves verite rehearsal, interviews, rare holocaust footage, and performances into a on wide screen digibeta Superhit

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	8:30	Bollywood Calling
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PICK OF THE DAY

On AXN at 08:30 p.m. Z the worker-ant (voice of Woody Allen) strives to reconcile his own individuality with the communal work-ethic of the ant colony. Falling in love with the ant-Princess Bala (voice of roads, and then the treacherous (voice of Gene worker popula

Sharon Stone), Z strives to make social inroads, an ultimately must save the ant colony from the treach schemings of the evil General Mandible (voice of Hackman) that threaten to wipe out the entire worker ption. Themes of individuality run rampant.			
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3:25	Film Topper - 301	6:00	Music Mantra
	Series	6:30	Disney Hour
3:30	Umrao Jaan	7:00	Disney Hour
6:30	Samnewali Khidki	7:30	CID Files

Saturday Prime 9:30 NATIONAL **GEOGRAPHIC** 6:30 Tales From Belize

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CID Files

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Kya Hadsaa Kya

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	7:30	Scientific American
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	9:00	Human Edge
	9:30	Plagues
	10:30	Hot Science
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	12:30	Timing the Tigers
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	3:30	Mission Everest
	4:00	Nick's Quest
	4:30	NG Explorer
	5:30	Rescue Dogs
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		Coastlines
	6:30	Military Aviation:
		Mustang: Cadillac of
		the Skies
	7:00	Military Aviation:
		Harrier Jump Jet
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	7:30	Extreme Machines:

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	Smart Weapons
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9:30	Tales From An Indian
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10:30	Explorer's Journal	10:30
11:30	Honey Hunters	

Florida Agua Caves

Danger Diaries

8:30	Wild Rescues
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9:30	Animal Planet Safari
10:30	Savage Wilder-
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11:30	Planet's Funniest
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12:00	Breed All About It
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Champions Tour Golf	1:00
Liberty	
Sports Unlimited	1:30
Cricket Talk Show Best	
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Dream Team (R)	
Wrestling Apple Crush	5:45
Best of PGA Golf	11:00

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Super 12's

World Wide Rugby

	7:00	Velocity
	7:30	Gillette World Sport
	8:30	Speed
	9:00	Sril Lanka, New
		Zealand, Pakistan
		Triangular '03:7th ODI,
		Finals H/Ls
	5:00	Gillette World Sport
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	7:30	Bajaj Caliber 1 15
		Sports Update
	7:35	Chilli Factor
	8:00	European PGA Golf
		'03 : Volvo PGA
		Champ, Day 3
	9:30	Bajaj Caliber 1 15
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	9:35	European PGA Golf
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	12:05	Legends : McEnroe
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	7:00	NBA Conference
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	11:00	Wrestling Apple Crush
	11:30	School Quiz Show
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