

RECOMMENDATIONS



Birth Centenary

June 9  
Nazrul Academy organises a discussion session and cultural programme celebrating Pollikobi Jasimuddin's birth centenary on June 9 at 5:30p.m. at Nazrul Academy Bhaban, Belalabad, Maghbazar, Dhaka. Sadeque Hossain Khoka, Mayor, Dhaka City Corporation will be present as chief guest at the occasion.

Exhibition

June 12-13  
The Bangladesh Bonsai Society and the Japanese Embassy will jointly organise the eighth exhibition of bonsai artworks at the BRAC Centre at Mohakhali. The opening ceremony will take place at 10.30 in the morning of June 12. The exhibition will remain open for visitors and buyers from 10 am to 7 pm on both the days.  
June 06-11  
Freelance Artist Abdus Salam's solo art exhibition titled Shomoyer Bastabota (Fantasy with Reality) is going on at the Zainul Gallery, Institute of Fine Arts, University of Dhaka. The exhibition continues until June 11 and is open for visitors everyday from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m.

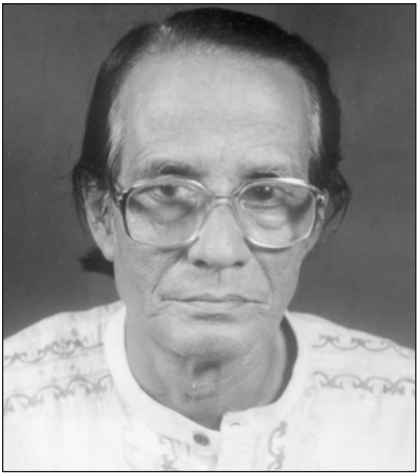
Interview

The rapture of classical notes

Music maestros speak of their art

FAYZA HAQ

RAM Kanai Das, one of the maestros who recently performed at La Galerie, Alliance Francaise, said, "I began my interest in music by singing *Palligeeti* at first, listening to my father Proshik Lal Das and my mother Dibbo Moi Das. The Sylheti folk songs were different from those in other districts. The *dholak* and *mriddanga* that accompanied these songs spurred me on. It was a part of my upbringing and music came to me naturally. I got involved in *Rabindrasangeet* when I heard Hemanta Mokhapaddya as a member of a musical organisation as a youth. We had to go to Dhaka to study and at times the teachers came to us. I studied under Wahidul Haq and Sanjeeda Khatun for this for 15 years. "My interest in *Uchchanga Sangeet* began even earlier as a young teenager, who listened to the gramophone records, inspired specially by the singing of Ganonda Prashad Goswami from India. I learnt *Uchchanga Sangeet* from Umesh Candra Rai for 12 years and began performing classical songs myself on the radio in 1967. Those who influenced me further in this line were Indian singers



Pandit Ram Kanai Das

*Rabindrasangeet* have their notations and given words and you cannot experiment with them at will. To me *Uchchanga Sangeet* appears limitless in its scope, as all classical singers will tell you so that I can present a *raag* with various renditions. To me, all the four types of songs are very dear and when singing each of the types I feel that it is the best and forget

too".

Shamsul Haque, who played the clarinet during the soiree, learnt the wind instruments from his father Bachchu Mian in Bikrampur. After ten years of training with him I learnt the clarinet from my uncle. I also gathered some knowledge of the *trumpet* and *shehnai* from him. He said, "In the flute I play both classical, folk and modern tunes. That night I played *raag malkosh* and I performed solo."

Asked where he preferred to perform, Haque said, "I enjoy the radio, TV and the stage, having learnt my art from the age of ten. I began with the radio in 1957 and in the TV I accompany from 1974. Apart from the flute I play the *tabla* and the *dhol*."

Touching the subject of his students, Haque said, "One of the solo performers of the evening, Mohammed Hassan Ali, was one of my first students and like him I had many others."

Talking about the flute, Haque said, "Ustad Panna Lal Ghosh from Barisal gave it official status in Subcontinent since the days of the British. Of course, years back, the flute was there but it was used mostly for folk music and it was not often included in classical music."

He continued, "I accompany other singers and play solo at the same time as I did at the recent La Galerie soiree. I have played with Mehdi Hassan, Nighat Chima, Suriya Multanighar when they came to Dhaka and Chittagong. I have also accompanied Mina Hamid, Abdul Alim and Ferdousi Rahman."

Asked which genre of music he preferred, Haque said, "I like all but I like classical music most, as I've trained in this most of all." Commenting on his life as a musician, he added, "today I keep myself busy with flute and violin students like Mohammed Hussain, and Salim Chowdhury."

Also performing at the function were Pinu Sen Das, who had taken lessons from Pandit Shree Smar Saha in India. Pinu Das is a regular performer of Bangladesh Radio and BTV, and teaches *tabla* at Chhayanat and the Azimpur Ladies' Club. Last of all, there was Hassan Ali, another flute player, who has been playing with Bangladesh Betar and BTV as well as for cinemas. He has performed in Pakistan, South Korea, Netherlands and India.

Anniversary

Celebration of studentship

Independent University, Bangladesh celebrates its 10th anniversary.

KAUSAR ISLAM AYON

ON the occasion of 10th anniversary and the 7th Convocation of Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB), the students of the university arranged weeklong festival of cultural events like staging of drama, quiz show, and painting exhibition. The programme was inaugurated on June 02.

The first day of the festival was illuminate with the performance of the students of the university. They presented dance and songs.

The teachers too had their share



Nazir Ahmed, Assistant Professor, plays on the piano.

in the admirable performance as they led the students from the front. One of the teachers Nazir Ahmed played the piano, Nashid Kamal another teacher performed a number from 60's and a *Bhawaia*. They altogether brought back the 1960 decade on stage and were able to take the audiences to those days thereby.

At the end, eminent singer Syed Abdul Hadi, who is a parent of a student of the university, sang at the request of the students. All the performers sang in chorus with him.

On the second day IUB presented *Dewan Gazir Kissa* staged by Nagarik Nattya Shampradaya, a well-reputed theatre group in the country. The play's social satire surely gave the audience a lot to think about the decay of our society.



Eminent singer Syed Abdul Hadi, also a parent of an IUB-student, sings at the request of the students, while performers of the day sing with him.

At the end of the drama, however, the authority of the university hurriedly brought the programme to its end, while there were a lot of distinguished personalities like Aly Zaker, Abul Hayat, Afsana Mimi, and many others were on the stage. The authority could call one of them for a speech.

The evening of the third day was an assemblage of talented pupils from different universities as Inter University General Knowledge Quiz Contest took place at the National Museum. Vice Chancellor of IUB, Professor Bazul Mabin

Chowdhury was present as chief guest at the event. Inter University Painting Competition also took place on the same day at the same venue. The exhibition of the paintings will remain open for all from June 4 to 9, from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

It certainly is full of hope that a private university like IUB touches its 10th anniversary-mark successfully, especially when there is an alarming situation created by the abundant rise of private universities.

Television Dramatists Association conference

Television Dramatists Association organises a conference on Ami O Amar Natak (Me and My Dramas) on June 13 at the Liberation War Museum, says a press release.

An executive committee has been formed to this purpose with Shakur Majid as the Secretary. Other members of the committee are Imdadul Haque Milon, Mohon Khan, Arun Chowdhury, Rezanur Rahman, Pronab Bhatta, Kayes Chowdhury, Gazi Rakayet, Aranya Anowar and Zinat Hakim. Besides the President and the General Secretary of the Association Mannan Hira and Masum Reza are also included in the committee.

All TV dramatists are requested to attended the conference. The conference starts at 3 p.m.

TV GUIDE

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

BTV

12:10 News Headlines  
12:15 Suvechha Nin  
12:30 Shangbadpotrer Pata Theke  
12:40 Shashiya Tathya  
1:00 News  
1:05 E-Shaptaher  
Natok: Fand  
2:00 News Headlines  
2:05 Shur O Chhondo  
2:30 Documentary  
3:00 News  
3:05 Nibedon: Cultural Programme  
3:30 Shukhi Paribar  
4:00 News Headlines  
4:05 Moner Katha  
4:30 Prokriti O Jibon  
5:00 News  
5:05 Nabo Anadya Jago  
5:55 Shomokalin Orthoniti  
6:00 News: Desh  
Jonopodh  
6:10 Wrestling  
7:00 News Headlines  
Share Market  
Weather Forecast  
E Shoptahe Asia  
New Adventure Of Sinbad  
8:00 News at Eight (Bangla)  
8:30 Ananda Ghonta  
9:30 Selected Programme  
10:00 News at Ten  
10:25 Weather Forecast  
10:30 News Reporting  
10:35 Ananda Jhama  
11:00 Sur Lohori  
11:30 Late Night  
News/News Headlines  
CHANNEL-i  
07:15 Prothom Sur  
10:00 Music Plus  
10:10 Kothai Kothai  
11:00 Drama  
Serial:Obhmani  
11:30 Drama Serial:Horek Rokom Jibon  
12:00 Drama Serial: Eknnyaborti  
12:30 Drama: Rhiidoyer Kachhey  
02:00 Bangla Feature Film: Mahot  
05:35 Jonopoder Khabor  
05:45 Sharif Melamine Sangeetmala  
06:10 Music Plus  
06:45 Drama Serial: Khoda Buxer Haat  
07:15 Channel-i News  
07:45 Ishpani-i Tele Quiz (Q)  
07:50 Radhuni Ranna  
08:25 Magazine Show: Flop Show  
09:00 Channel-i News  
09:31 Ishpani-i Tele Quiz (R)  
09:35 Talk Show: Tara O

ATN BANGLA

6:00 Islamic Prog  
8:00 ATN Bangla News  
8:25 Special prog: Sarone Shahid Zia  
Magazine prog: Chomok  
9:00 Drama Serial: Aponjon  
10:50 Musical Prog: Music Vision  
12:00 ATN Bangla News  
12:20 Ajker Sangbadpotro  
12:40 Viewers Request  
Film Song's Prog. Anurodher Assor  
1:20 Bengali Feature Film: Malamote  
4:20 Children Prog. Shapla Shaluk  
4:50 Ajker Sangbadpotro  
5:00 Gram Banglar Sangbad  
5:15 Health cae prog: Sustha Thakun  
5:50 Musical Prog: "Uro Cola Saat Rang"  
6:25 Islamic Prog. "Islamee Sawal O Jawab"  
7:00 ATN Bangla Evening News  
7:30 Irani Serial Dubbed In Bangla  
"Ibne Cina"  
8:05 Reporting Prog. "Ghotona Probhah"  
8:40 Sports Magazine "Stedium"  
9:00 ATN Bangla News  
9:25 English Serial Dubbed In Bangla  
: Secret Woman  
10:00 ATN Bangla News  
10:30 Musical Prog:  
11:00 ATN Bangla News  
12:00 Bengali Feature Film: Bhai Amar Bhai  
TARA BANGLA  
6:30 Aajker Shironam  
7:00 Satyajitter Gappo  
8:00 Tarar Sundari  
8:30 Tara News  
9:30 Tara News Bangladesh  
11:30 Tara News  
HBO  
7:00 Mute Witness

9:00 Varsity Blues  
11:00 Cabin Pressure  
1:00 Hideaway  
3:15 Dennis The Menace Strikes Again  
4:45 Rush Hour  
6:45 Superman  
9:30 Almost Famous  
12:00 Desperate Measures  
2:00 Sexual Predator  
3:45 Superman  
STAR MOVIES  
6:30 Toys  
8:30 It Could Happen To You  
10:15 The Avengers  
11:45 The Rock  
1:45 The Hudsucker Proxy  
3:45 Almost Heroes  
5:15 Mars Attacks!  
7:00 Wolf  
9:15 Howling VII: Mystery Woman  
10:45 Memento  
12:30 The Dark Half  
AXN  
6:30 Who Dares Wins  
8:30 Guinness World Records:  
PrimeTime Pacific  
9:30 Blue/Thicker Than Water  
10:30 Relic Hunter/Incognito  
12:30 Movie: Dragon the Bruce Lee Story  
2:30 Movie: The Ghost  
5:30 The Right Stuff  
6:00 Rescue  
6:30 Fear Factor  
7:30 The Amazing Race  
8:30 Double Action  
Saturday/Movie: Predator  
10:30 Sequels-Back  
With A Vengeance  
Movie: Predator II  
MGM  
7:00 Passage To India  
9:00 The Gods Must Be Crazy-4  
11:30 Livin Large  
2:00 American Ninja  
4:30 Moonstone  
7:00 Salvador  
9:30 Movie Marathon: The Brave/Johnny Depp

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

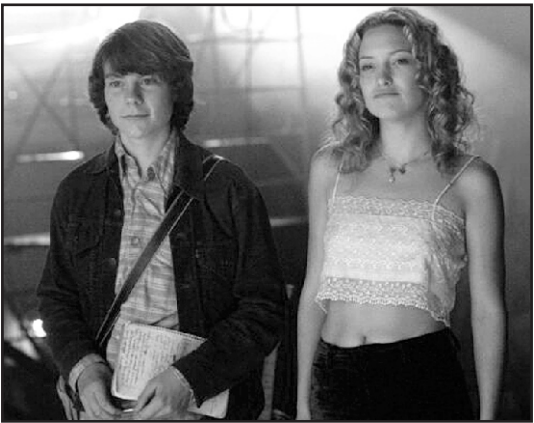


STAR MOVIES: 7.00 p.m. Wolf. Worn down and out of luck, aging publisher Will Randall is at the end of his rope when a younger co-worker snatches both his job and wife out from under his nose. But after being bit by a wolf, Will suddenly finds himself energized, more competitive than ever, and possessed with amazingly heightened senses. Meanwhile, the beautiful daughter of his shrewd boss begins to fall for him - without realizing that the man she's begun to love is gradually turning into the creature by which he was bit.



AXN: 8.30 p.m. Predator. A team of commandos, led by Dutch Schaeffer, go on a mission to rescue captured airmen from terrorists. When they discover that the airmen have been slaughtered beyond recognition, the team decimates the enemy

PICK OF THE DAY



Almost Famous  
On HBO at 9.30 p.m.  
William Miller is a 15-year-old kid, hired by Rolling Stone magazine to tour with, and writes about Stillwater, an up coming rock band. This wonderfully witty coming of age film follows William as he falls face first to confront life, love, and lingo.

ZEE CINEMA

7:30 Rustom-E-Bagdad (Dara Singh, Vijaya Chaudhary)  
10:30 Lava (Raj Babbar, Dimple Kapadia)  
1:30 Viewers' Choice  
Movie: Salman Khan (Baaghi Love Sanam Bewafa)  
5:30 Ek Ka Teen Platinum Little John (Anupam Kher Jyotikha Bentley Mitchum)  
9:30 Beyond Bollywood... Leela (Dimple Kapadia Vinod Khanna, Deepti Naval)  
6:00 Ex Nazar  
6:30 Cartoon Network  
12:00 Ek Nazar  
12:30 Professor Pyarelal  
1:00 Gudugudee  
1:30 Mr Gayab  
2:00 Count Down  
2:30 Alvinda Darling  
4:00 Raja Ko Rani Se Pyaar Ho Gaya (Arvind Swami, Manish Koirala, Madhuri Dixit)  
6:00 Ex Nazar  
6:30 Cartoon Network  
7:30 On Zee  
9:00 Gubbare  
9:30 Suspense Hour  
Bollywood  
10:00 Gupshup  
11:30 Simply Shekhar  
Saturday Night Special: (Shs, shs... Shs... Shkrukh Khan Ki Deewangi)

ZEE TV

2:00 Alvinda Darling  
2:30 Fishtey  
3:00 X-Zone  
7:30 Classic Movies  
7:30 News  
8:00 Sound Of Music  
8:30 Life In The Word  
9:00 Bhakti Bhaav  
9:30 Yoga For Life  
9:50 Jagran  
10:20 Zee Gym & Eat  
Healthy  
10:50 Yaadein Radio Ceylon Ki

SONY

7:30 Sant Asaram Vani  
8:00 Morning Film: Vaastav  
11:30 Good Morning  
Disney  
12:30 Kya Hadsaa Kya Haqeeqat  
1:30 Nostalgia: Ek Mahal Ho Sapno Ka

SET MAX

8:30 Kapil Dil Se  
9:00 Hotlist  
10:30 Dhund  
1:00 Kapil Dil Se  
2:30 Koshish  
5:00 Hotlist  
6:30 Drohi  
9:00 Harmony  
10:30 Champion  
1:00 Hotlist  
STAR WORLD  
6:00 Exalted Word  
6:30 Creflo Dollar  
7:00 The Drew Carey Show  
7:30 J.A.G.  
8:30 Water Rats  
9:30 Futurama  
10:00 Top Drive  
10:30 The Bold & The Beautiful  
12:30 Rendezvous With Simi Garewal

1:00 Travel Asia  
1:30 Goosebumps  
2:00 Action Man  
2:30 The Tick  
3:00 X-Men  
3:30 The Kumars At No. 42  
4:00 Cops  
4:30 World's Wildest Police Videos  
5:30 Knight Rider  
6:30 Walker Texas Ranger  
7:30 Xena : Warrior Princess  
8:30 Tna Wrestling  
9:30 Mutant X  
10:30 Water Rats  
11:30 Baywatch Hawaii

STAR GOLD

7:00 Hit Filmein Hit  
Sangeet - 20 M  
7:30 Ram Ki Ganga  
10:55 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit  
11:00 Geet Gata Chal  
11:30 Kuch Yaadein Kuch Baatein  
11:55 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit  
12:00 Hit Filmein Hit  
Sangeet - 20 M  
12:25 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit  
12:30 Beethoven - Hindi Dubbed  
3:00 Without Ticket  
3:25 Kuch Hit Kuch

Superhit  
3:30 Dushmani  
6:55 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit  
7:00 Hit Filmein Hit  
Sangeet - 20 M  
7:25 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit  
7:30 Asoka - The Series  
8:25 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit  
8:30 Pyar Tune Kya Kiya  
11:25 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit  
12:00 Dastak  
STAR PLUS  
6:30 Star Geetmala  
7:30 Dr Morepen Tango - Sat  
8:30 Chupa Rustam  
9:00 Taaza Hits  
9:05 Hit Filmein Hit  
Sangeet - 20 M  
9:30 Fox Kids  
10:10 Hit Filmein Hit  
Sangeet - 20 M  
10:30 Gurukul - Ancient Wisdom Of In  
11:25 Film Topper - 301 Series  
11:30 Sea Hawks  
12:30 Siski  
1:00 Star Bestsellers  
2:00 Taaza Hits  
2:05 Hit Filmein Hit  
Sangeet - 20 M  
2:30 Dr Morepen Tango - Sun  
3:25 Film Topper - 301 Series  
3:30 Pathar Ke Sanam  
6:00 Jubilee Plus  
6:30 Samnewali Khidki  
7:00 Yatra  
7:25 Film Topper - 301 Series  
7:30 Hai Na Bolo Bolo  
8:30 Raju Chacha

ADVENTURE ONE

6:00 Explorer's Journal  
Cracking The Canyon  
7:00 Risk:Yelling In The Face Of Life  
8:30 Adventure Of The Quest  
9:30 Chasing Time  
10:00 Across The Line  
10:30 Explorer's Journal  
Walk In The Desert  
11:30 Great White Deep Trouble  
12:00 Danger Diaries  
1:00 Ng Adventures  
3:00 Ng Explorer  
4:00 Explorer's Journal  
Danger Diaries  
6:00 Heroes Of The High Frontier  
7:00 Adventures Of The Quest  
8:00 Chasing Time  
8:30 Across The Line - S2  
9:00 Explorer's Journal  
Heroes Of The High Frontier  
11:00 Adventures Of The Quest  
12:00 Chasing Time  
STAR SPORTS  
6:30 Futbol Mundial (R)  
7:00 Spanish League Highlights 2002/03

12:30 Violent Volcano  
1:30 Volcano Hunters  
2:30 Hot Science  
3:30 Mission Everest  
4:00 Nick's Quest  
4:30 Ng Explorer  
5:30 Bear Attack  
6:00 Tomorrow's World  
6:30 Toyota World Of Wildlife S3  
7:00 Earth Pulse  
7:30 5 Weddings Couple  
Of Funeral  
8:00 5 Weddings Couple  
Of Funeral  
8:30 More Weddings & Another  
9:00 More Weddings & Another  
9:30 India Diaries  
10:00 India Diaries  
10:30 My Backyard  
Serengeti  
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7:30 Sportsline Tonight  
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8:00 Sportsline Tonight  
Sportsline (R)  
8:30 Cricket Talk Show  
Best Of Harsha Online (R)  
9:00 Dream Team (R)  
9:30 Wrestling Apple  
Crush (R)  
10:00 Sports Unlimited (R)  
11:00 KI World 5s KI  
World 5s Presented By Rakan Muda  
Kuala Lumpur Malaysia 3rd Group A Vs 3rd Group C  
2nd Semi Final - Bowl(L)  
12:30 KI World 5s KI  
World 5s Presented By Rakan Muda  
Kuala Lumpur Malaysia Runner Up Group A Vs Runner Up Group C  
2nd Semi Final - Plate(L)  
2:00 KI World 5s KI  
World 5s Presented By Rakan Muda  
Kuala Lumpur Malaysia Winner Group A Vs Winner Gr Oup C 2nd Semi Final - Cup(L)  
3:30 Nba Inside Stuff (R)  
4:00 Motorcycle  
Programming Movie  
World Individual Speedway Gp Series 2003  
Chorzow Poland Highlights(R)  
5:00 SBK Superbike Sbk Superbike  
Oscherslebe Germany High-lights(T)  
5:30 Dream Team (R)  
7:30 Sri Lanka Tour Of West Indies The Cable & Wireless  
One Day Intl Series  
2003 Barbados West Indies West Indies Vs Sri Lanka  
1st Od 1st Session(L)  
11:05 Cricket Talk Show  
Best Of Harsha