## RECOMMENDATIONS

### Fruit fair

June 19-21 The Royal Thai Embassy in collaboration with Thai Airways International will organise a threeday Thai Fruits Fair: "Exotic Fruits of Chiang Mair" at the Embassy ground "Udhayan Thai" on Madani Avenue in Baridhara, Dhaka from

19-21 June, from 10am to 6 pm.

## **Crystal Fair**

June 20-26 A weeklong Russian Crystal Fair will be held in the Exhibition Hall at the Russian Cultural Centre. The inauguration ceremony will be held on Friday, June 20 at 5pm. The exhibition will remain open for all from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm till Thursday June 26th, 2003.

Venue: Exhibition Hall of the Russian Cultural Centre House # 510, Road # 7, Dhanmondi R/A,, Dhaka-1205

### **Exhibition**

June 14-24 Dhaka Shahittya Sanskriti Kendra is holding the 6th caligraphy exhibition at the National Museum gallery on the occasion of Holy Siratunnabi (Sm.). The ehibition presents works of 42 artists. The exhibition is open for visitors everyday from 10 am to 5 pm.

### Theatre

June 27-30

To mark the fourth Biannual Conference of Shattwik Nattya Somprodya, the theatre group arranges a drama festival at the Shawkat Osman auditorium of Begum Sufia Kamal Library. Entitled Molierre Drama Festival. the festival features staging of Molierre's drama by four reputed theatre groups of Dhaka. Besides, a seminar titled Molierre's Drama in Bangladesh will also take place during the 4-day long conference of Shattwik.

# **Anniversary**

# The spirit of Neelima Ibrahim

The first death anniversary of the legendary woman observed.

HARUN UR RASHID

HEN she lived, she self and always illumined others around with her own grace. And now that it has been a vear since she left us, her memory and works still show us the way to a meaningful life. She was amongst the pioneer women of the country in fields of education, literature, culture and human welfare, Dr. Neelima

June 18 was Neelima Ibrahim's first death anniversary. The occasion was observed with due fervour by Neelima Ibrahim Bangladesh Study Centre. A memorial meet was arranged at the VIP Lounge of the National Press Club with Nurjahan Begum, Editor of the reputed weekly Begum, as the chief quest. The occasion also saw the launching of a Memorial Book on Neelima Ibrahim.

The programme started with a Tagore-song--Kon alotey praaner pradeep jaliye tumi dhoraatey aasho--performed by Mita Haque. Earlier oneminute silence was observed in honour of Neelima Ibrahim's memory. Professor Biswajit Ghosh read out the biography of Neelima Ibrahim.

Dr. Neelima Ibrahim was born in 1921--the year Dhaka University was founded. Remarkably she received the first ever Ph.D. from the institution's Bangla department. She later joined the department as a teacher.

Besides her career in teaching, she also earned a name in



Dr. Neelima Ibrahim

writing and organising. Especially her endeavour in rehabilitating and honouring the female

history of our Liberation war.' said Professor Anisuzzaman while paying his tribute. The

Neelima Ibrahim's endeavour in rehabilitating and honouring the female victims of our Liberation War will always be remembered with gratefulness. Her Ami Birangona Bolchhi is an integral part of the history of our Liberation war. The book relieved the nation of its debt to those fateful woman warriors who had to pay the highest for the cause of our independence. She also founded organisations for adopting war children.

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founded organisations for adopting war children. Neelima Ibrahim helped identify the dead bodies of many martyred intellectuals like Munir Chowdhury who had been killed on December 14 night.

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In his tribute, actor Ramendu Majumder informed that Neelima Ibrahim had immense love for theatre. In the post-Independence Bangladesh, she founded a theatre group named 'Rangana'. She was the key-influence behind the introduction of a course on drama at the BAFA. And it was Neelima Ibrahim who founded the Mohila Samiti, one of the country's reputed theatre auditoriums.

As a writer Neelima Ibrahim paved all major genres of literature. Nurjahan Begum informed that Neelima had also contributed to her magazine. The first story published in Begum was Marongami Shurjo. Afterwards a number of short stories like Shaswata Nari, Petticoat Government, a few essays and two novels--Pathsranto and Bish Shataker Nari--were published in the magazine. Neelima Ibrahim's husband

Dr. Mohammad Ibrahim also spoke on the occasion. While recollecting the deceased life partner, Dr. Ibrahim became emotional. The whole audience felt the sadness created by the vacuum when someone like Neelima Ibrahim who was meant to guide others in the light of everything that is good. The tribute to Neelima Ibrahim ended with a song performed by Lina Taposhi Khan.

# Drama review

# Young piano enthusiasts

# Musicians speak their minds

FAYZA HAQ

EHJABEEN Rahman, who runs l'Ecole de Musique, that recently presented an hour of piano music at the Alliance Française, said, "I'm guite pleased with my students. I've spent three years to a few months on each of them, who have a class with me once a week. Some have a piano at home while others come to Alliance Francaise to practice. This year the preparation for the students' concert at the Fete de la Musique has been challenging as many of my students have been preparing for school exams at the same time, while others have careers to see to. Again, last year they had the opportunity to have practiced longer. Talking about the basis on which

she had selected the pieces for the day. Rahman said. "It was based on technique. Aditya, for instance, has played for almost four years with me and has developed the ability of sight reading. He also understands the notes. For him I've chosen Chopin pieces such as the waltz from the Brown index. Fete de la Musique is music for all and is not a formality and so we had classical, semi classical and light music. For Tawfique I chose Charles Gounod's 'Faust' and 'Ballad for Adelin' which is played in the Richard layderman style. I chose it because it is popular and a relaxing piece. The little ones, like Sadia Zaman, were playing pieces like 'Joyful, joyful' from Beethoven while Otonu Boruwa. who has been learning for only two months, played 'Twinkle twinkle little star' by Mozart. Deel Farzana is playing a hymn 'Should old acquaintances be forgotten' as well as 'Traumarai' by Schubert."

Touching on the subject of the demand for piano music in Bangladesh. Rahman said. "There is an increase in the demand of the wellto-do to have their children playing the piano as it is not easy to afford, since the musical instrument has to be rented or bought apart from the tuition fees." Asked how she came into piano music herself, Rahman said, "I had my own training at the Dhaka International School with

Korean teachers. I take part in church concerts as often as possible. Now I'm learning the flute.

"I played four pieces", said Aditya. "The first being a minuet in G by Bach, while the other three are by Chopin, the first being a waltz Opus 18. waltz Opus 69 and a waltz from the Brown index. My teacher chose the pieces for me. It was my father who encouraged me to go into piano playing. At home my people tend to be culturally inclined. As my house is close by I can give time to my music quite easily despite my

school routine. I've my own piano at home and this proves to be a great

Deel Farzana said, "I was interested in music for quite some time. I used to play the keyboard and performed at several musical programmes before at the Mahila Samity and Guide House. I had played at four concerts at Alliance Francaise as well. I've completed my masters in Anthropology and hope to study at the Asian Institute Technology at Bangkok. At performances I tend to be nervous



but this is because I want to perform

"It is my mother who is behind my learning the piano."

says Sadia Zaman, who is not yet nine. I enjoy it and come here thrice a week to practice. "I've been learning for two years and I've kept it a secret from my friends.

Taufiqur Rahman Khan said, 'Although I have a busy schedule as an architect, I believe that if someone has a passion for something time for that can always be carved out. I used to play the Spanish guitar for two years when there was a session jam at BUET. I find the piano soothing and so am drawn to it. I played 'Faust' by Gounod and 'Ballad for Adelin' by Paul de Senniville. I've now been playing the piano for two and a half years and on an average I play for two hours a day. When I don't have projects to work on I devote the spare time to my piano. I enjoy the environment at Ecole de Musique and our teacher is very encouraging. I believe that the importance of music in our lives is unquestionable. For the young ones it develops the sense of aesthetics and for adults for myself it is very

10:55 Kuch Hit Kuch

# Tv guidE

## All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the \* News Bulletin

News Headlines(Bengali) at 3:10 pm. 4:00 pm. 7:00

News(Bengali) at 5:00 pm. News (Bengali) at 8:00 pm. News (English) at 10:00 pm. Late Night News(Bengali and English)/News Headlines at CHANNEL-i

Channel-i News(Bengali) at 7:15 pm, 9:00, 10:30, 12:15 am. Telecast of BTV news(Bengali and English) at 11:30 pm.

ATN BANGLA ATN Bangla News(Bengali) at 8:00 am. 12:00 pm. 7:00 pm. 9:00 pm. 10:00 pm, 11:00 pm.

Telecast of BTV News(Bengali and English) at 11:30 pm. Latest News(Bengali) at 09 a.m,10:00 a.m, 11:00 am.1pm. 2:00 pm.3:00 pm. 4:00pm.6:00 pm.,and 8:00

TARA BANGLA NewsHeadline(Bengali) at 5:30 pm. 7:30 pm. Tara News(Bengali) at 8:30

# CHANNEL-i

09.15 RC Kidly Kids 09.40 Music Plus 10.15 Kothay Kothay 11.00 Drama Serial: Abhimani 11.30 Drama Serial: Harek

Rokom Jibon 12.00 Mega Serial: Ekannobarti

12.30 Drama: Hridoyer Kaachhey 02.00 Bangla Film: Greftar 05.35 Janopader Khabar 05.45 Sharif Melamine

Sangeetmala 06.10 Music Plus 06.45 Drama Serial: Khoda Bux-er Haat

07.15 Channel-i News 07.45 Ispahani-i Tele Quiz 07.50 Radhunir Ranna

08.25 Magazine Show: Flop 09.00 Channel-i News 09.31 Ispahani-i Tele Quiz

09.35 Talk Show: Tara O Shampa Reza

10.00 Drama Serial: Jibon Chhobi 10.25 Channel-i Mobile Quiz 2525

10.30 Channel-i News

**ATN BANGLA** Islamic Prog ATN Bangla News Drama serial Magazine prog

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 Bengali Feature Film: Sajanu Bagan

4:20 Children Prog. Shapla Shaluk Ajker Sangbadpotro

Gram Banglar Sangbad Healthcare prog:

Sustha Thakun 5:50 Musical Prog: Uro Cola Saat Rang Islamic prog: Islamee Sawal O

Jawab 7:00 ATN Bangla **Evening News** 7:30 Irani Serial Dubbed In Bangle

Ibne Cina 8:05 Drama serial Sarnojan 8:40 Sports Magazine Stadium

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: Ashar Alo

# TARA BANGLA

6:30 Aajker Shironam 7:00 Satyajiter Gappo 8:00 Tarar Sundari 8:30 Tara News 9:30 Tara News Bangladesh

### 11:30 Tara News SONY 7:30

Sant Asaram Vani Saturday Morning Shool

12:30 Kya Hadsaa Kya Haqeeqat Ho Sapno Shree Ganesh Haal Kaisa Hai Janaab Ka

4:30 Biographies 5:00 Current 5:30 Chartbusters 6:00 Music Mantra 7:30 CID Files

Tigerland The Magic Sword: Quest For Camelot

Guffman 11:30 Mindstorm

3:15 The Claim 5:15 Babe 7:00 Far And Away 2:Beyond Cyberspace

11:00 Waiting For Guffman **HBO** 7:00 Snow Falling on Cedars 9:30 Cinema Secrets

III: 9 Animals Gone Wild Mortal Kombat Pythons II The Gift The to Tango

# Mortal Kombat ATF

News Sound Of Music Life In The Word Bhakti Bhaav Yoga For Life Jagran

11:00 Harmony 11:30 Good Morning Disney Nostalgia: Mahal

Kva Hadsaa Kva

# STAR MOVIES

7:00 9:30 10:00 Waiting For

Playing Mona Lisa

Lawnmower Man

10:00 Election 12:00 The Positman 3:30 5:30 7:15 9:30 11:30 Saving Private

# 4:45 **ZEE TV**

2:45

7:30 8:00 8:30 9:00 9:30 10:20 Zee Gym & Eat Healthy

10:50 Yaadein Radio

Haqeeqat Saturday Prime-

# Chal Mere Bhai

6:00 7:30 8:30 9:30

> Special AXN 6:30

Who Dares Wins 8:30 Guinness World Records: Primetime Pacific Blue/Near Death 10:30

Ceylon Ki

11:00 Cartoon Network

On Zee

Ek Nazar

Gudugudee

(R2)

Professor Pyarelal

Mr. Gayab (RR)

Alvida Darling

Johny Walker

Shyama)

Ek Nazar

on Zee

Gubbare

Bollywood

Gupshup

11:30 Saturday Night

(Johny Walker

Cartoon Network

Suspense Hour

Simply Shekhar

Count Down (R2)

12:00

12:30

1:00

1:30

2:00

3:00

Hunter/Warlock of Nu Theta Phi 12:30 Movie: Road Rage 2:30 Movie: Going Back 5:30 The Right Stuff

# TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS



STAR MOVIES: 11.00 p.m. Waiting for Guffman. A town of Blaine, Missouri is preparing for celebrations of its 150th an off-off-off-off-Broadway director is putting together an amateur

theater show about the town's history starring a local dentist a couple of travel agents, a Dairy Queen waitress, and a car repairman. He invites a Broadway Theatre critic Mr. Guffman to see the opening night of the show.

HBO: 11.30 p.m. Saving Private Ryan. In World War II, it is found that 3 soldiers who have been killed are brothers. The mother

be receiving three death notices on the same day. The army d iscovers that there were actually

6:00 Rescue 6:30 Fear Factor The Amazing 7:30 Race 8:30 Double Action Saturday/Movie: Shark Attack Sequels Back With A Vengeance

Movie: Shark

### Attack II MGM 6:30 Avalanche

9:00 Full Moon High 11:30 Holland's Opus 2:00 Miracles 4:30 Strangers 7:00 North of Chiang Movie Marathon: 9:30 Killing Streets Micheal Pare

### Collar STAR WORLD 7:00 The Drew Carey Show

11:30 Hot Under the

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

Travel Asia



PICK OF THE DAY

# Three to Tango

On HBO at 9.30 p.m.

Goosebumps

Princess

1:30

5:30

6:30

7:30

8:30

9:30

8:30

A rich businessman, Dylan McDermott, mistakenly believes that Matthew Perry, who is bidding on a \$90 million restoration contract, is gay and asks him to keep tabs on his mistress, Neve Campbell. Perry, who is not gay, falls for Neve in a big way but she thinks he's gay.

2:00 Action Man 2:30 The Tick 8:00 8:30 Across The Line -3:00 X-Men 3:30 The Kumars At No. Explorer's Journal 42 4:00 Cops 11:00 4:30 World's Wildest Police Videos

> Knight Rider CHANNEL [V] Walker Texas Ranger Xena: Warrior

Tna Wrestling Mutant X 10:30 Water Rats 11:30 Baywatch Hawaii **ADVENTURE** ONE 12:30 [V] Saturday Stack Oz Trek 2000

9:30 Chasing Time 10:00 Across The Line -S2 10:30 Explorer's Journal 11:30 Microlight Odyseey 12:00 Danger Diaries Ng Explorer

Quest

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> 10:00 Last Of The Anzacs Adventures Of The Quest 12:00 Chasing Time

[V] Saturday Stack 8:00 [V] Back To Back 8:30 [V] Jumpstart 9:30 [V] Saturday Stack 10:00 [V] Back To Back 10:30 [V] Saturday Stack 11:00 [V] Back To Back 11:30 [V] Saturday Stack 12:00 [V] Zabardast Hits

[V] Zabardast Hits Adventures Of The 1:30 [V] Saturday Stack [V] Zabardast Hits 2:00 2.30 [V] Special Program [V] Zabardast Hits 3:30 [V] Back To Back 4:00 [V] Saturday Stack 4:30 [V] Zabardast Hits 5:00 [V] Saturday Stack 5:30 [V] Weekend Spl Living With Gorillas 6:30 [V] Zabardast Hits

7:00

7:30

8:00

8:30

[V] Jungli Jukebox

[V] Zabardast Hits

[V] Karaoke

Billboard Us

Countdown

10:00 [V] Zabardast Hits 10:30 Club [V]

9:30 [V] Ticket

England Vs Pakistan 11:00 PGA Tour Golf

Round(S) 1:00 1:30

Rugby Union Internationals 2003 Hamilton New Zealand New 3:00 Sanzar Home Tests Rugby Union Internationals 2003 Melbourne Australia Australia

(R) 5:30 Dream Team (R) Dream Team (R) 6:00 Dream Team (R) 7:00 Pakistan Tour Of **England Natwest** 

England Vs Pakistan Gillette World 8:30 Sports Special Gillette World

Spanish 9:30 Best Of Harsha Online (T) 10:00 Formula One Highlights 2003 Formula One

Official 12:00 PGA Tour Golf

Round(R

tranquilizing." Talking to the participants of the

piano concert one learnt of the circumstances that made the young musicians the eager enthusiasts that they are for concerts.

# 11:30 [V] Weekend Spl

STAR SPORTS 8:30 Dream Team (R) 9.00 Pakistan Tour Of **England Natwest** Challenge 2003 London England

Buick Classic Rye Ny USA Second

Sanzar Home Tests Sanzar Home Tests Preshow (L) Sanzar Home Tests

Vs England 5:00 NBA Inside Stuff

Challenge 2003 London England

Spanish League Highlights 2002/03 Cricket Talk Show

Highlights Montreal Canada Grand Prix 11:00 Wimbledon Library

Films Wimbledon Buick Classic Rye Ny USA Second

2:30 Kishen Kanhaiya

Kohram

Harmony

10:30 Namak Halaal

ZEE CINEMA

7:30 Jai Mahalaxmi Maa

Usgaonkar)

Java Prada)

(Prithvi, Varsha

Maa (Jeetendra,

Viewers' Choice

Movie: Made in

Maharaja Tarzan

Platinum Vadh

(Nana Patekar,

Anupama Verma,

Puru Raai Kumar)

Bollywood... Mitr

(Shobhana, Naseer

My Friend

Abdullah)

Sangeet

Superhit

11:00 Geet Gata Chal

11:55 Kuch Hit Kuch

12:00 Hit Filmein Hit

12:25 Kuch Hit Kuch

12:30 Raja Rani Ko

Sangeet

Superhit

Chahiye Pasina

Kuch Hit Kuch

Kuch Hit Kuch

The Making Of Dil

Superhit

Apradhi

Superhit

Superhit

Chahta Hai

Without Ticket

Kuch Hit Kuch

Hindi Dubbed

Kindergarten Cop

Superhit

11:30 Jubilee Plus

7:30 Sant Tukaram

Hit Filmein Hit

Kuch Hit Kuch

STAR GOLD

7:00

10:55

2:55

3:00

3:25

3:30

8:00

8:25

8:30

Jangle Safari

5:30 Ek Ka Teen

9:30 Beyond

1.00 Hotlist

5:00

6:30

1:30

**SET MIX** Superhit 8:30 Kapil Dil Se Flashback 9:00 Hotlist Kuch Hit Kuch 10.30 Inquilaah Superhit Kapil Dil Se

11:30 Hit Filmein Hit

## Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit

12:00 Shaitan Tantrik STAR PLUS 6:30 Geet Bahar 7:00 Geet Bahar

7:30 Dr Morepen Tango 8:30 Chupa Rustam 9:00 Taaza Hits 9:05 Hit Filmein Hit

Sangeet - 20 M Fox Kids 10:10 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet - 20 M

10:30 Gurukul - Ancient Wisdom Of In Film Topper - 301

Series 11:30 Sea Hawks 12:30 Siski 1:00 Star Bestsellers

Taaza Hits 2:05 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet - 20 M Dr Morepen Tango

3:25 Film Topper - 301 Series 3:30 Mere Humsafar

6:00 Chupa Rustam 6:30 Samnewali Khidk 7:00 Yatra Film Topper - 301

Series

Yarron

7:30 Coke [V] Popstars -8:30 Ainabee 12:00 Musafir Hoon

### Kuch Hit Kuch **NATIONAL** Superhit **GEOGRAPHY** Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet

7:00 7:30 Natural Born Robots 8:30

> 11:30 Dinner On The

9:30 Hunt For The Death 10:30 National Geographic's Taboo

Diner

# Indonesia Bevono The Reefs Wild Orphans

Earth Report 9:00 Human Edge