RECOMMENDATIONS

Exhibition

July 04-17 Drik Gallery is holding a photography exhibition entitled Remaking Destiny presenting work from Bangladesh, China, India, Pakistan and Vietnam. The photographers that take part in the exhibition are Dev Nayak, Duan Yuting, Jin Yongquann, Qui Yan, Sebastiao Salgado and Shahidul Alam. The display is open for all from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

June 29-July 12 Shilpangan has arranged a water-colour exhibition of the reputed sculptor and painter Hamiduzzaman Khan that started on June 29. Over 100 paintings are included in the show. The exhibition is open to visitors everyday from 10am to 9pm

Theatre

July 10 The Russian Cultural Centre in Dhaka organises a drama show to anniversary of Chekhov Theatre. The show begins at 5:30 p.m. at the centre's auditorium.

Competition

July 11
The Russian Cultural Centre in Dhaka organises a painting and recitation competition for children on the occasion of the 10th foundation anniversary of Serov Academy of Fine Arts. The competition starts at 10:00 a.m. in the centre premises

Diamond-display



An Indian model displays an exclusive range of diamond jewelry by "Adora" during a launch organised by Concept Jewellery in Bombay recently. India is the world's largest consumer of gem stones and gold with around 855 tonnes of the yellow metal imported in 2002.

Setar player Firoz Khan

He wonders if this musical instrument is fading away

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S I entered the house, the sweet tingling sound of setar had a soothing effect, like the gentle breeze on a hot and humid day. Firoz Khan was concentrating on his daily rewaz. His wife welcomed me warmly and we waited a while till he finished. As we stepped inside Firoz Khan stood up with a smile and put his setar aside. With a cup of tea we started our informal talk.

'Who was your first guru?' I asked. Firoz Khan said, 'I started to learn setar from my only guru Late LakshmiKanto Dev when I was only ten. It has been 32 years since then that I am playing setar.' He feels comfortable in playing in any media. He plays for audiocassettes, TV, radio and film from 1988 and performs solo recitals on stage. He plays for the background music for Bangladesh Television. Now he is working as a staff artiste for the Bangladesh Betar. The title music of the news of BTV is composed by

According to Firoz, 'It is difficult to earn a living through playing setar only. The style of music has changed a lot. Now-a-days *setar* is not used widely in the modern songs and the use of setar is gradually fading away. Now the western based music widely known as band music has taken the place where setar was played in the interludes and preludes previously. The inclination of listeners is towards band music and they are least interested in classical music.'

Firoz said that setar is a difficult instrument to play and if anybody wants to learn it he or she must give enough time to master it. He said, ' At least eight to ten hours should be spared daily for rewaz. These days time is a big factor for the learners who are not patient enough.'

The uncle of Firoz Khan is the talented setar player Khurshid Khan and he got his inspiration from him. Firoz's parents wanted to make him a professional player and this is how he stepped in this profession. His wife used to play setar as well. But she quit because of her engagement in household works. Firoz doesn't want his sons used to offer scholarships for very few learners but that also was ineffective. He said, 'The modern bands of our country get enough exposure as well as sponsorship for their stage performance. But if we



A staff artiste of Bangladesh Betar, Firoz Khan is credited for composing the title music of BTV news.

to become professional setar want to stage a performance there players. But he inspires them to play setar as a passion.

is lack of fund, sponsorship and government patronisation. The atmosphere has to be created by Firoz said with a sigh that there the civil society. is very little scope for learning *setar* in our country. The government

'There is music faculty in the

universities but separate faculty on musical instrument is not there.' Firoz grieved, 'It is very unfortunate that if I die there will be very few players left to carry on with our traditional instruments. I wish the prominent and affluent people to make an institute for the children who will learn setar and other deshi musical instrument which have a rich background.

CULTURE

According to Firoz Khan there is very little recognition of the instrument players in Bangladesh in contrast to neighbouring countries like India or Pakistan. He said, 'It is a matter of shame that whenever any Indian artiste comes here and performs on stage they are paid handsomely and the audience is happy with whatever they perform. But they don't realise that each of these artistes are not of equal standard.

'It was in 1984 when the SAARC summit was held here,' recalled Firoz, 'eleven artistes played an orchestra. I was the leader of the team and our playing was widely praised by the audience.' The senior artiste Khurshid Khan was also there. This is a fond memory of

Matiul Haque Khan and Yasin Khan are some of the other talented and popular setar players. 'They are established and well known in their own fields and they play in different media as well.'

In 1978 Firoz Khan received the first prize in the instrumental section of the competition of the Shishu Academy. He also got medal and certificate in the district level conference.

He traveled to many countries in cultural tours like Holland, England, Germany, Switzerland, France, Australia, India and other

It is the dream of Firoz Khan that one day there will be a good number of children who will learning setar and will make the nation proud by popularizing what is our very own.

Music Album

"Saatronga Saatjon"

A mixed album with a difference



[From left] up-Sumon, Duray, Tamal, and down-Pathik Nabi, Partha Barua, Pantha Kanai and Sanjeeb Chowdhury.

HEN there's a vacuum created by the so-called remix albums, everyone is hopeful about a new mixed 'Saatronga Saatjon". Even among the show-biz people this album has been able to draw attention, says a press release

Seven popular singers of today's music arena have performed in this album. Popular singer Pothik Nabi says," I have two numbers in the album which has good lyrics and tune." Pantho Kanai also sung two songs. He says, there is a song of rain that will take" your breath away. Sanjib Chowdhury of Dalchut savs' I normally do not perform in mixed albums but in this case the tune attracted me." So said the other co-stars Partho, Sumon, Duray, and Tamal. This album has been tuned and composed by Tamal.

The opening ceremony of "Saat Ronga Saatjon" will be held at the Fantasy Kingdom on July 11, at 8 PM. The final attraction will be a live performance by the singers. So

"Terminator" makes a lightning visit to Iraq



Action film muscleman Arnold Schwarzenegger, on Friday paid a lightning visit to Baghdad for US Independence Day to cheer Amercian troops deployed in Iraq. Concerts, barbecue feasts and morale boosting events marked the day

TV GUIDE

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

News Headlines(Bangla) at 12:10 pm.2:00 p.m 3:10 pm. 4:00 pm. 7:00 pm. News(Bangla) at 8:00 am 1:00 pm.5:00 pm.8:00 pm. News (English) at **3:00 pm. 10:00 pm.**Late Night News(Bangla and English)/News Headlines at 11:30 pm.

CHANNEL-i Breakfast News 07:15am. 9:00am Channel-i News(Bangla) at 7:15 pm, 9:00, 10:30, 12:15 am. Telecast of BTV news(Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm.

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2:00 pm.3:00 pm. 4:00pm.6:00 pm..and 8:00 nm TARA BANGLA NewsHeadline(Bangla) at 5:30 pm.

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Tara News(Bangla) at 8:30 pm. 11:30 pm. Tara News Bangladesh(Bangla) at BBC World

Morning News

Rabindra Sangeet

BTV

8:00

Every hour on the hour

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1:00	News
2:00	News Headlines
2:05	Cartoon Film
2:30	Amader Ranna
3:00	News in English
3:35	Shukhi Paribar
4:00	News Headlines
4:30	Shatarupa
5:00	News
5:05	National Television
	Debate Competition
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News for Children News Desh Janapodh Geetanjali Programmes of Chittagong Centre 7:00 Share Market Weather Forecast

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News at Eight (Bangla) 8:30 Drama: Amader Chhoto Drama: Bhuter Natok News at Ten Weather Forecast News Reporting 10:30 The X-Files 11:30 Late Night News/News

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Bengali Feature Film

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Disney Hour 7:30 Haal Kaisa Hai Ja 8:00 Meri Biwi 8:30 Kya Hadsaa Kya Haqeeqat 10:00 Sunday Prime (Theme-Zulmi) 10:30 Achanak-37 Saal Harmony

Children of the Corn I : The Final Sacrifice Black Moon Rising National Lampoon's "Dad's Week Off" Box Office America 1:00 The Kiss 3:00 Krull 5:30 3000 Miles To

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Tara News Bangla-

1:00 **HBO** 10:30 12:30

11:30 **BBC WORLD** 7:00 7:30 Graceland Safe Men True Lies 8:00

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS HBO: 9;30 pm. True Lies. Harry



Tasker is the United States' top secret agent - so secret that even his wife doesn't know his occupation; she thinks he is a computer salesman. Misunderstandings commence as a result, complicating the plot and heating up the action as Harry takes on his wife and nuclear terrorists . . at the same time!



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ZEE TV

Save the Last Dance

3000 Miles to

Khana Khazana

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Sansui Antakshari

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Count Down

Inside Out

Suspense Hour

Separate Wavs

The Wanderers

The Night Before

(Keeanu Reeves)

(Mel Gibson)

Man Without A Face

Small Time Obses-

sion (Alex King,

Juliette Caton)

BBC News

Directs

BBC News

Simpsons World

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X-Zone

MGM: 9:30 pm. Small Time **Obsession.** Small Time Obsession is a story of love and betraval set amongst South London's Polish community. Michael Korczynski has his heart set on training and racing greyhounds at his local stadium but is under pressure from his father to take charge of the family delicatessen. Steve is an orphan with a passion for classic cars and John is a talented musician struggling to come to terms with hid depressed mother.

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Fife, Profiles, Heritage This Week

BBC News University Challenge, TBA **BBC News Business Bizarre**

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4:30 5:00 5:30 6:00 7:30 Reporters **BBC News** Dateline London ex Talking Point 9:00 **BBC News** Coolhunters Axis of Evil, Bitter Harvest, Renaissance 10:00 **BBC News** 10:30 **Business Bizarre** 11:00 **BBC News** 11:30 Top Gear,

Moulin Rouge! On STAR MOVIES at 8:45 pm.

Christian, a young wannabe Bohemian poet living in 1899 Paris, defies his father by joining the colorfully diverse clique inhabiting the dark, fantastical underworld of Paris' now legendary Moulin Rouge. In this seedy but glamorous haven of sex, drugs and newly discovered electricity, the poet-innocent finds himself plunged into a passionate but ultimately tragic love affair with Satine, the club's highest paid star.

PICK OF THE DAY

Dreamspaces **BBC News** 10:30 **DISCOVERY** 11:30 Ultimate Guide to the 12:00 Awesome Human 1:00 Na Explorer Body 2:00 Born Winners Ostrich Racing/Kick Boxing 3:00

11:00 Real Kids, Real Adventures Kayaking Crash 12:00 Popular Mechanics for Kids Extreme Rides Planet Food Morocco Ultimate Guide Backyard **Dicovery Civilization** Asmat: Time's Forgotten People Science Frontiers Leeches, Maggots & Bees : Bite that Cures Diagnosis Unknown

New Epidemic Friday Spotlight Technocops Friday Spotlight Future 6:30 Visions Discovery Sunday Roots of Conflict 8:30 Discovery Sunday Motal Enemies Wings When Pilots 9:30

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Night Safari

Superstars

History of Football

10:30

11:30

ADVENTURE ONE Explorer's Journal India Diaries **Danger Diaries**

Height Of Courage Norman Vaughan Wild California 4:00 Explorer's Journal 5:00 **Danger Diaries** Going To Extreme 7:00 Nick's Quest 7:30 Out There Search For Battleship 8:00 **Bismarck** 9:00 Explorer's Journal 10:00 Going To Extreme 11:00 Out There Search For Battleship 11:30 Bismarck **STAR MOVIES** The 4th Tenor

Moulin Rouge 9:30 Return To Me 11:45 When The Party's 1:45 6:45 Scenes From A Mall 5:15 The Others Steven Spielberg Presents "Taken" Episode 1

STAR SPORTS

Moulin Rouge Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships London Uk Day #12 Highlights(S)

Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships - Day 12 London Uk Ladiees Sgl FinalMens & Mixed Dbl Final(R) World Of Rugby The Irb's World Of Rugby

Tri-Series In England Natwest Series 2003 Glamorgan Wales Zimbabwe Vs South Africa 6th Odi Highlights(S) Futbol Mundial (T) Gillette World Sports Special Gillette World Sports (T) Sbk Superbike Sbk

Superbike Magazine Highlights(T) Race Day Magny Court France Mobil 1 French Grand Prix(L) Formula One 2003 Formula One World Championship Magny

Cours France Mobil ' French Grand Prix(L) Chequered Flag Chequered Flag: Formula One Magny Cours France Mobil French Grand Prix(L) Hitz (T) 9:00 Cricket Talk Show Best Of Harsha Online (T) Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships Wimbledon Lawn

Tennis Championships

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Men's Singles Final &

Ladies Dbls Final(S) **ZEE CINEMA** Shaheed (Manoj Kumar, Prem Chopra Nirupa Roy) Dulhe Raja (Govinda Reveena Tandon) Double Trouble's: Anari No1 (Govinda Reveena Tandon Chaalbaaz (Sridevi Sunny Deol, Rajnikant Yeh Kaisi Mohabbat (Krishna, Sharad Kapoor Deeksha Viveka)

SET MAX Harmony 9:00 Hotlist

The Burning Train Biographies 2:00 Mazeddar Bollywood 3:30 Rolling Stone Concert Guddi Making of K3G Mera Movie: Kabhi 9:00 Khushi Kabhi Gam

1:00 Hotlist **AXN** Guinness World 9:30 Records : Primetime Worst Case Scenario 11:30 Fear Factor 12:30 Movie : Antz 3:30 Movie: Stuart Little When Fun Tums to Fear

5:30 The Making of Dreamcatcher CSI Crime Scene Investigation Got Murder? 8:30 AXN Action Theatre Premiere Movie: Nuremberg-pt 1 Sun Premier Movie

Nuremberg-pt 2 **STAR PLUS** 11:00 Dabur Red Toothpaste Star Pari 11:30 Hai Na Bolo Bolo 12:30 Chupa Rustam 1:00 Musafir Hoon Yarron

1:30 Mirch Masala 2:00 Taaza Hits 2:25 Mail Milap 2:30 Pardesi Babu 6:25 Taaza Hits 6:30 Fox Kids-Sunday 7:30 Sonpari 8:00 Jubilee Plus Star Parivaar Event 8:30 2003

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NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC 10:00 On Assignment

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