

RECOMMENDATIONS

Exhibition

August 17-28
Shipangan Gallery has arranged a 12-day-long solo etching and drawing exhibition of artist Monirul Islam.

August 18-28
An exhibition of artist Mostafa Kamal is going on from 18 August at the Gallery of Alliance Francaise.

August 28-September 8
Bangladesh Shipakala Academy will hold an exhibition of the works and painter Kalidas Karmakar and photographer Enam Ul Haque titled 'Innocence and Anguish' at the academy gallery.

Poster Exhibition

August 17-28
Goethe Institut holds a poster exhibition at its Exhibition Hall featuring works by Pierre Mendell and Klaus Oberer.

Water Colour Exhibition

August 22-31
A water colour exhibition by four artists is going on at Gallery Chittrak, House-21, road-4, Dhanmondi.

Drama Lane

Bangladesh Mahila Samity
4 Natok Soroni, New Bailey Rd.

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Tribute

The Relentless Rebel

Kazi Nazrul Islam

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It was one particular day of Aswin. Preparation for Durga Puja was well underway and there was excitement in the air.

As soon as the first drops of rain splashed on to the roof, Nazrul could contain himself no longer. The poet took a piece of paper and began to write Bolo Bir Chiro Unnoto Momo Shir.

Such was the temperament of Nazrul that earned him the title 'firebrand' poet impulsive, inspirational and tireless in creativity.

Early in the morning he called his friend and comrade Muzaffar Ahmed and set out for Jurashako, to meet Tagore.

In the same year, with hardly Rs.250, Nazrul started a bi-weekly publication. Not surprisingly, he named it Dhumketu.

From the very first issue Dhumketu became extremely popular, particularly amongst the youth.

On 26 September, that year Nazrul's poem, Anondomoyeer Agamoney was penned for the first time in Dhumketu.

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In April, Nazrul went on a hunger strike for 40 days to protest the ill-treatment of political prisoners.

In fact, it was at the end of 1926 that Nazrul gradually stepped into the exclusive realm of music.

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Kazi Nazrul Islam, the soldier (1921)

Events

Celebrating the Monsoon

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The celebrations began with the recitation from Tagore's essay Meghdut by eminent music personality Wahidul Haque at the National Museum auditorium.

Gahon Ghumer Ghorey was followed by a group song performed by the metropolitan branch of the Jatiya Rabindrasangeet Shammilon Parishad.

Sharmila Bandyopadhyay performed a solo dance with the enchanting number Mor Bhabonary Ki Haway Matalo.

The singers were Papya Sarwar, Bulbul Islam, Sajed Akbar, Mahiuzzaman Moyna, Aditi Mohsin, and others.

As there was no anchor of the programme and nobody to introduce the artists, it was difficult for the audience to identify them except the few prominent ones.

New stars born in Sylhet and Barisal

Lux has been creating stars all over the world. The Lux Anandadhara Miss Bangladesh Photogenic contest is the biggest event in Bangladesh.

Amidst the brilliantly lit stage at Sylhet Parjatan Motel, the crown for the Miss Photogenic in Sylhet went to Shaila Shabnam.

Barisal Photogenic 2003 took place at the Barisal Club. Farzana Koli clinched the crown, while Shathee Siddiki and Sonia Akhtar Urmi were adjudged the 1st and 2nd runners-up.

The Lux Anandadhara Miss Bangladesh Photogenic contest is even bigger in scope this year taking place in all the divisions.

Asaduzzaman Noor and Arun Chowdhury were the judges from Dhaka, and Supriyo Chakraborty, Nizamuddin Laskar Moyna, Shamshad Husam were the respected judges from Sylhet.

The Lux Anandadhara Miss Bangladesh Photogenic 2003 for Sylhet and Barisal was held recently, says a press release.



The winners of the Lux Anandadhara Miss Photogenic 2003 (L) Sylhet and (R) Barisal.

TV GUIDE

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Today's Highlights and Pick of the Day section. Includes 'Planet of the Apes' and 'Frequency' with descriptions and cast details.

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