

RECOMMENDATIONS

Exhibition

**August 28-September 8**  
Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy will hold an exhibition of the works of painter Kalidas Karmakar and Photographer Enam Ul Haque titled 'Innocence and Anguish' at the academy gallery. The exhibition will be open for all from 11 am to 7 pm weekdays and 3pm to 7 pm on Fridays.

Poster exhibition

**September 1-12**  
Goethe Instut holds a poster exhibition at its Exhibition Hall featuring works by Pierre Mendell and Klaus Oberer. Entitled 'L'art pour l'art' of a two-session poster exhibition on graphic design. The display is open for visitors from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. except weekends and holidays.

Classical music

**September 4**  
The High Commission of India, Dhaka will be presenting a classical vocal recital by Ms. Sulochana Brahaspati, Dr. Sharayu Kalekar and their trainees at 6:00 p.m. The show will be held at the Russian Cultural Centre, Dhanmondi.

Tagore night

**September 5**

*Rabirashmi*, a musical organisation, is holding a Tagore night titled *Tomaare Namashkar* at the National Museum. The show beginning at 6:15 p.m. will accord a reception to the eminent musical personality Sudhin Das where Kalim Sharafi will be the chief guest.

Cultural program

**September 5**

The 'Ustad Ayet Ali Khan Sangeet Niketan will organise a discussion and cultural program on the occasion of the death anniversaries of Ustad Alauddin Khan and Ustad Ayet Ali Khan at 7:00 p.m. at the German Cultural Centre auditorium.

Drama Lane

**Bangladesh Mahila Samity**

**4 Natok Soroni, New Baily Rd.**

Group	Plays	Date
Britta	Wall Mochaya	5
Mahakal Natya Shikhandi		6
Shamproday	Katha	

Theatre

# Tagore's Raktokorobi makes a come back

CULTURE DESK

**N**AGORIK Natya Sampradaya displayed its 34th production *Raktokorobi* recently, which is considered as one of the greatest classics in the history of world drama. According to the playwright, Rabindranath Tagore, this play is truth for any time and any place.

The play centres around a materialistic world, called 'Jaggapuri' (sacrificial ground) where there is only wealth and no touch of humanity. The Leviathan king of that place, according to the mythology, is Kuber, but Tagore calls him Makar-Raj, as the play is not based on myth. One day the young maiden Nandini, symbolising purity of life and emotion, comes to this place in search of Ranjan. She is in love with him. Every man, who is nothing but an element of the society there, wants her, even the King himself. But nobody gets her. As a result, the emptiness of every individual soul turns into cruelty.

At last the King breaks down the walls of prejudice only for the girl. A new conflict arises between the subjects and the king.

The wonderful dialogues, conflicts, power of emotion and the perceptive analysis of life are the theme of the play. The philosophy of



Khaled Khan and Aupi Karim in a scene from *Raktokorobi*

Tagore projected in the play shows his supremacy.

The director Ataur Rahman, in his acknowledgement, said that he is influenced by Indian legends Sambhu Mitra and Triptee Mitra in this play. At the same time, he has tried to display relevance to the present situation. In this edited version of the play, the director has successfully displayed the conflict between the materialistic society and the power of emotion. The

inhabitants of Jaggapuri are called by number and not by name. This indicates that these lifeless human beings are nothing but elements of the materialistic society.

Md. Saiful Islam, the designer, has used realistic set designing in this play. Stairs made of iron and net, and few stones made of hardboard have been used in the set to create the atmosphere of a mine.

Nasirul Haque Khokon, the light

designer, has proved his worth. The effects and symbolic colours used for composition are magnificent. He is one of the few designers of recent times who can adequately coordinate the cues of lighting and acting.

The special sound effect to support the composition sometimes seemed harsh. Costume designing was symbolic as well as realistic.

Projection and voice modulation are the basic problems with all the characters except in case of Khaled Khan. It was difficult to catch Ananto Hira's dialogues even from the front row. Boldness, that the king's character demands, could not be depicted adequately by Ataur Rahman. Sometimes it seemed that he was reciting not acting. Aupi Karim could not satisfy the expectation of the audience by her performance as Nandini, who is regarded as one of the most emotional characters in the history of drama. Khaled Khan, Gazi Rakayet and Fakruzzaman Chowdhury have been very enthusiastic.

On the whole, the effort to stage this type of classical play is impressive. We expect that Nagarik Natya Sampradaya, one of the front-line theatres in our country, would display more classics like *Raktokorobi* to create better audience.

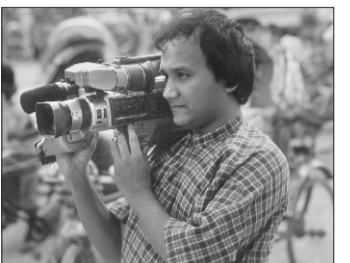
Breaking new grounds

## Grand Prix in Spain goes to 'Jibon-Jole-Bele'

A documentary made by Shaheen Dill-Riaz

**F**ILM maker Shaheen Dill-Riaz's documentary film 'Jibon Jole-Bele' (Sand and Water) received the Grand Prix 'La forza del riu' (River's Strength) award in Spanish 'River Film Festi-

1500 Euros and is given to the Best Documentary Film in the International competition. This film has already got three international awards in Germany. After attending the HOT DOCS Film festival in



Shaheen Dill-Riaz

Film Festival (FICA) in Goiania/Brazil, the filmmaker and his film has now been invited to the International Documentary Film Festival in Japan. On the other hand, a newly launched TV channel MAORI TV in New Zealand is going to telecast 'Jibon Jole Bele' by the end of this year. The film has already been translated in German, French, Polish, Portuguese, Catalan and Japanese.



A scene from the documentary

val' (El festival del Riu) in Barcelona/Miridiana recently. The prize includes a cash money award of

Toronto, International Doc and Short Film Festival in Cracaw/Poland, Environmental

Hollywood

## Lopez-Affleck to marry next week



**S**UPERCOUPLE Jennifer Lopez and Ben Affleck are planning to marry next weekend on a hillside estate near Santa Barbara, Calif. Representatives for the two stars however wouldn't comment on the reports.

The Sept. 14 wedding will be catered by Santa Barbara's Four Seasons Biltmore Hotel, where Lopez 33, and Affleck 31, recently dined. It will be Affleck's first marriage.

For her last wedding, Lopez wore a Valentino Couture off-white silk and Chantilly lace gown. This time, she's said to have turned to famed wedding gown designer Vera Wang.

Since appearing in 1990 as a "Fly Girl" dancer on the Fox variety show "In Living Color," Lopez has seen her career explode, with forays into music, film, television and most recently fashion.

Affleck and Lopez met on the set of film 'Gigli' and their romance spurned interest in the film, which ended up as the summer's biggest flop. Revolution Studios, which made "Gigli," and Sony Pictures, which distributed it, lost about \$30 million, while real-life sweethearts Affleck and Lopez managed to remain virtually unscathed amid the movie's lousy reviews.

The two also star together in the upcoming film 'Jersey Girl.'

Source: Internet

## Cameron Diaz breaks nose in accident

**I**T wasn't quite the birthday in paradise Cameron Diaz was hoping for. Diaz, the world's highest-paid actress, said, she broke her nose Saturday, on her 31st birthday, during a surfing mishap off Waikiki Beach. On Tuesday, Diaz



was wearing two tiny bandage strips on the bridge of her nose, which appeared normal with no visible swelling.

The blonde star of two "Charlie's Angels" films and "There's Something About Mary," said the worst part is that it happened at the beginning of her trip.

Source: Internet

Around the world



**PHOTO: AFP**  
**Venice Italy : British actress Catherine Zeta-Jones (L) arrives together with US actor George Clooney at the Venice Lido for the premiere of their film on September 3. Clooney and Zeta-Jones star in the Coen brothers film, "Intolerable Cruelty" being shown at the Venice International Film festival.**



**PHOTO: AFP**  
**Miami, Florida United States : Singer Ricky Martin performs on September 3, 4th Annual Latin Grammy Awards in Miami, Florida.**

# TV GUIDE

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

News Bulletin

**BTV**  
News Headlines (Bangla) at 12:10 pm, 2:00 pm, 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 News (Bangla) at 7:15 pm, 9:00, 10:30, 12:15 am.  
Telecast of BTV news (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm.  
**ATN BANGLA**  
News (Bangla) at 8:00 am, 12:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm, 11:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm, and 8:00 pm.  
**ntv**  
News Headlines (Bangla) at 5:02 pm, 6:30 pm, 9:45 pm.  
News (Bangla) 7:30 pm, 11:00 pm.  
**TARA BANGLA**  
News Headlines (Bangla) at 5:30 pm, 7:30 pm, 11:30 pm.  
Tara News (Bangla) at 8:30 pm, 11:30 pm.  
Tara News Bangladesh (Bangla) at 9:30 pm.  
**BBC World**  
Every hour on the hour

BTV

07:35 Shuprabhat Bangladesh  
08:00 Morning News  
08:25 Documentary Film: Janmabumi  
08:35 Programmes From BTV Archive  
09:00 News  
09:35 Shwapner Deshey  
10:00 News In English  
10:05 Bangla Feature Film  
11:00 News Headlines  
03:10 News  
03:15 Shangbadpotrer Pata Theke  
03:25 Cartoon Show  
03:4 E Shapthar Asia  
04:00 News Headlines  
04:30 Live Telecast of Nitol  
04:30 Tata National League  
05:00 News  
06:00 News: Desh Janapad  
06:30 Programme on Abdul Aleem  
07:00 News Headlines, Share Market, Weather Forecast  
08:00 Bangla News at Eight  
08:30 Shamprotik Proshonga  
09:00 Cine Magazine  
10:00 News at Ten (English)  
10:25 Weather Forecast  
10:30 News Report  
11:00 Believe It Or Not  
11:30 Late Night News/News Headlines

CHANNEL-I

07:15 Channel-I News  
09:00 Channel-I News  
09:30 Sangbad Potrey Bangladesh  
09:45 Tritia Matra  
10:30 Tele Somoy  
11:30 Islam Ki Boley  
02:00 Islamic Programme: Satyer Sandaney  
03:30 Drama  
05:35 Jonopoder Khabor  
05:45 Programme for Children  
6:10 Music Plus  
6:45 Talk Show  
7:15 Channel-I News  
7:50 Drama Serial: Abhimani  
8:25 Drama Serial: Horek Rokom Jibon  
9:00 Channel-I News  
9:35 Drama Serial: Akannyabarti  
10:00 Drama: Kalpurush  
10:30 Channel-I News  
11:30 Late Night News Of BTV  
12:15 Channel-I News

ntv

05:02 News Headlines  
05:05 Potriker Khabor  
05:20 Ilihasher Ei Diney  
05:25 Cartoon: Alice In Wonderland  
06:00 Cartoon: Remie  
06:30 Headlines  
06:32 Shubho Shondhya  
06:52 Crime Watch  
07:30 Evening News  
08:00 Andhakarer Phool  
08:35 Rupali Jhalak  
09:10 Tarar Shalhey  
09:45 News Headlines  
09:47 Khama  
10:22 Shapthar Khabor  
10:50 Ilihasher Ei Diney  
11:00 Late Night News  
11:30 Din Darpan  
11:35 Telefilm: Khandatta  
12:30 Cine Gaan

ATN BANGLA

8:00 ATN Bangla Sangbad  
8:30 Reporting prog. Prekhhapot  
9:05 Mega serial : Bazpakhe  
9:35 Quality Labone Lobonge  
10:05 Susitha Thakun  
10:30 Islamic prog.  
12:20 ATN Bangla News  
12:20 Ajker Sangbadpotro  
12:30 Islamic Prog.  
3:25 Bengali Feature Film : Achol Paisha

4:50 Ajker Sangbadpotro

5:00 Gramgonger Sangbad  
6:20 Children prog. : Amra Karbo Joy  
7:00 Evening News  
7:40 Musical prog.  
8:15 Drama serial : Theeto Jibhon  
8:50 Mega serial : Lal Neel Bagune  
9:25 Drama Serial: Baba  
10:00 News  
10:35 Magazine prog. Kichukhon  
11:00 News  
12:00 Bengali Feature Film: Nezaray Haraya Khuze

TARA BANGLA

7:30 Tara News  
7:45 Tara News Bangladesh  
8:00 Kamon Jabe Aaj-Kal  
8:30 Nonte Fonte Rpt.  
9:00 Tusher Agun  
9:30 Serial Katy Rpt.  
10:00 Chare Baire  
10:30 Live Dashtay Rpt.  
11:30 Dehnapat  
12:00 Hoi Hullor  
12:30 Ebar Pujoy  
1:00 Bangladesh Focus  
1:30 Tara News Headlines  
1:33 Ghare O Baire  
2:00 Taka Na Sona  
2:30 Tara News Headlines  
2:33 Telefilm  
3:30 Tara News Headlines  
3:33 Telefilm  
4:00 Antakshari Rpt.  
4:30 Tara News Headlines  
4:33 TVC  
5:00 Amar Bangla  
5:30 Tara News Headlines  
5:33 Ajker Shironaam  
6:00 Nonte Fonte  
6:30 Tara News Headlines  
6:33 Taka Na Sona  
7:00 Sree Ramkrishna  
7:30 Tara News Headlines  
7:33 Hoi Hullor  
8:00 Tara News Bangladesh  
8:15 Susitha Thakun  
8:30 Antakshari  
9:00 Fashione Bhushone  
9:30 Tara News Headlines  
9:33 On Dohar Band  
10:00 Banglar Mukh

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

**HBO: 9:30 pm Executive Decision.** Genre: Action / Adventure / Thriller  
**Kurt Russell, Steven Seagal, Halle Berry.** Terrorists take over a 747 bound from Athens to Washington D.C., supposedly to effect the release of their leader. Intelligence expert David Grant suspects another reason and convinces the military that the plane should not be allowed to enter U.S. airspace. An assault mission is devised, using a specially equipped plane designed for mid-air crew transfer.

**MGM: 9:30 pm. Raging Bull.** Genre: Drama. **Robert De Niro, Cathy Moriarty,** Joe Pesci Based on the life and career of boxer Jake LaMotta, Raging Bull focuses on Jake's rage and violence that makes him virtually unstoppable in the ring. The same anger also drives Jake to beat his wife and his brother Joey, and sends Jake down a self-destructive spiral of paranoia and rage.

10:30 Tara News Headlines  
10:32 Howzzat  
11:30 Tara News  
11:45 Tara News Bangladesh  
12:00 Tara News Hour  
11:30 Tara News Headlines  
11:33 A Boy Called Hate  
11:30 James Caan Scott Caan  
**STAR MOVIES**  
9:45 Devil In A Blue Dress  
11:30 The Grey Zone  
7:30 Johar in Bombay (IS Johar, Rajendra Nath)  
10:30 Jaan Tere Naam (Ronit Roy, Farheen)  
1:30 16 December (Milind Soman, Danny Culshan Grover, Aditi Gowitriker)  
5:30 Judaa (Anil Kapoor, Sridevi)  
9:30 Judwaa (Salman Khan, Karisma Kapoor, Rambha)  
**HBO**  
10:15 RKO 281  
12:00 Chameleon 2: Death Match  
1:45 Brother's Keeper  
3:30 Ghostbusters  
5:45 Spring Break Lawyer  
7:30 Enter the Dragon  
9:30 Executive Decision  
12:15 Stephen King's Rose red Part I  
**MGM**  
11:30 Prey for the Munter  
2:00 Moon Struck  
4:30 Rig 1  
7:00 Navy Seals  
9:30 Org Friday;

PICK OF THE DAY



**Doctor Dolittle**  
**STAR MOVIES 7:00 PM.**  
Genre: Family / Comedy **Eddie Murphy, Ossie Davis, Dr. John Dolittle** has the world in his hands: A beautiful wife at his side, two adorable daughters and a career that could not go better. One night, he nearly runs over a dog with his car. The dog yells "bonehead" and disappears. From then on, his childhood ability is back: To communicate with animals.

9:30 Global Adventure  
10:30 Andromade  
11:30 Movie UN CUT: Movie: Black Magic Woman  
**BBC WORLD**  
9:00 BBC News  
9:30 Asia Today/Asia Business Report  
10:00 BBC News  
10:30 World Business Report  
11:00 BBC News  
11:30 World Business Report  
12:00 BBC News  
12:30 World Business Report/Sport Today  
1:00 BBC News  
1:30 Talking Movies  
2:00 BBC News  
2:30 Hardtalk  
3:00 BBC News  
3:30 Simpsons World Directs  
4:00 BBC News  
4:30 Asia Today/World Business Report  
5:00 BBC News  
5:30 Hardtalk  
6:00 BBC News  
6:30 World Business Report/Short Today  
7:00 BBC News  
7:30 Talking Movies  
8:00 BBC News  
8:30 Asia Today  
9:00 BBC News  
9:30 Hardtalk  
10:00 BBC News  
10:15 World Business Report/Question Time India  
11:00 BBC News  
11:30 World Business Report/Sport Today  
12:00 BBC News  
**STAR PLUS**  
1:00 Tu Tu Main Main  
1:30 Des Mein Nikla Hoga Chand  
2:30 Jai Mata Ki  
3:30 Kalash  
4:00 Kundali  
4:30 Aur Phir Ek Din  
5:00 Film Topper - 301 Series  
5:05 Tanha  
5:30 Hit Filmehin Hit Sangest  
6:00 Hum Saath Aath Hai  
6:30 Fox Kids  
7:30 Tu Tu Main Main  
8:00 Karishma Kaa Karishma  
8:30 Kuch Kar Dikhana Hai  
9:30 Shararat- Thoda Jaadu Todi Naz  
10:00 Khullja Sim Sim  
11:00 Ssshhhh...Koi Hai...  
12:00 Samnewali Khidki  
**STAR WORLD**  
9:00 Cheers  
9:30 Oprah Winfrey Show  
10:30 Buffy The Vampire Slayer  
11:30 Angel  
12:30 Nypd Blue  
1:30 The Pretender  
2:28 Star Asia Travel  
2:30 Oprah Winfrey Show  
3:30 Bold And Beautiful

4:30 Sabrina The Teenage Witch

5:00 2 Guys, A Girl & A Pizza Place  
5:30 Knight Rider  
6:30 The Simpsons  
7:00 Everybody Loves Raymond  
7:30 Dharma & Greg  
8:00 Friends  
8:30 Tna Wrestling  
9:30 Worlds Wildest Police Videos  
10:30 Nash Bridges  
11:28 Star Asia Travel  
11:30 Baywatch

STAR SPORTS

8:30 Sportsline Tonight Sportsline (R)  
9:00 South Africa Tour Of England Npower Test Series 2003 London, England England Vs South Africa 5th Test, Day 1, 1st Session(S)  
1:00 Cricket Gold (T)  
4:00 Us Open Us Open 2003 - Best Of The Day New York, Ny Usa Men's Quarterfinals/Mixed Doubles Final(R)  
8:00 Sportsline Tonight Sportsline (L)  
8:30 NBA Inside Stuff (T)  
9:00 Us Open Us Open 2003 New York, NY USA Men's Doubles Final(L)  
11:30 Us Open Us Open 2003 New York, NY USA Women's Singles Semifinals(L)

ESPN

10:30 Goals! (R)  
11:00 Nfl Football (I)  
11:00 Annapolis, Md Usa New York Jets Vs Washington Redskins (S)  
2:00 South Africa Tour Of England Npower Test Series 2003 London, England England Vs South Africa 5th Test, Day 1, Highlights(R)  
10:45 South Africa Tour Of England Npower Test Series 2003 London, England England Vs South Africa 5th Test, Day 2, Review(L)  
1:30 Sportscenter Hindi (L)  
11:30 Sportscenter Hindi (T)  
12:00 Hitz (R)

TEN SPORTS

8:00 Pak v Bang 03:3rd Test, Day 2 H/Ls  
10:00 Fitness Beach  
10:30 WRC Rally XS Magazine : Rally Australia  
11:00 Pak v Bang 03:3rd Test, Day 3 (1st Session)  
6:00 Pak v Bang 03:3rd Test, Day 3 (Review)  
6:30 Velocity : Ep 65  
7:30 History of Football  
8:30 WRC Rally XS Magazine : Rally Australia  
9:00 Pak v Bang 03:3rd Test, Day 3 H/Ls  
11:00 Velocity : Ep 65  
12:00 Fitness Beach

CARTOON NETWORK

10:00 Flintstones  
10:30 Baby Looney Tunes  
11:00 Tom & Jerry Kids  
11:30 Tiny TV  
2:30 Baby Looney Tunes  
3:00 Sylvester & Tweety Mysteries  
3:30 The Powerpuff Girls  
4:00 The Mask Power Zone  
4:30 X-Men Evolution  
5:00 Batman The Animated Series Toonami  
5:30 Pokémon  
6:00 Captureors  
6:30 Tom & Jerry Show  
7:00 The Popeye Show  
7:30 The Scooby-Doo Show  
8:00 Dexter's Laboratory  
8:30 Toon Talkies  
9:00 X-Men Evolution  
9:00 The Mask  
9:30 Tom & Jerry Show  
10:00 The Powerpuff Girls  
10:30 Top Cat  
11:00 I am Weasel Power Zone - Late Night

ANIMAL PLANET

10:00 Thursday Imagine Bears  
10:30 Animal Planet Safari Babies of the African Savanna  
11:30 Trials of Life Friends and Rivals  
12:30 Friday Reality Rescue Rogue Elephant Capture, Skukuza Kids  
1:30 Friday Reality/Rescue Koala Crisis  
2:00 Friday Reality/Rescue Fighting Dogs

2:30 Animal Planet Safari

Orphans of the Fading Forest  
3:30 Emergency Vets  
Chance Encounters  
4:00 Emergency Vets The Quick and The Dead  
4:30 Animal Doctor  
5:00 Breed All About It  
Rottweiler  
5:30 Dog, Farm Dog, Bowling Dog  
6:00 Wild On The Set  
6:00 Exotic Animals  
6:30 Planet's Funniest  
7:30 Animal Planet Safari Orphans of the Fading Forest  
8:30 Friday Reality/Rescue Buffalo to War, Alien Plants  
9:30 Friday Reality/Rescue Seal Casualty  
10:00 Friday Reality/Rescue Emergency Measures  
10:30 Animal Planet Safari Babies of the European Forests

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

9:00 Croc Chronicles  
9:30 Robotech  
10:30 Avalanche - The White Death  
11:30 Dogs With Jobs  
12:00 Earth Pulse  
12:30 The Dragons Of Galapagos  
1:30 Scientific American Frontiers  
2:30 Tomorrow's World  
3:00 Human Edge  
3:30 Dinosaur Dealers, The  
4:30 National Geographic's Taboo  
5:30 Sea Stories  
6:00 Animal Planet From The Ground Up  
6:30 Dogs With Jobs  
7:00 Toyota World Of Wildlife S3  
7:30 Great Adventures With Hayden Turner  
8:30 Scientific American Frontiers  
9:30 Tomorrow's World  
10:00 Human Edge  
10:30 Search For King Solomon's Mines  
11:30 National Geographic's Taboo