

RECOMMENDATIONS

Exhibition

September 19-October 3
A fifteen-day-long art exhibition by artist Prof. Abdur Razzaque is going on from 19 September at Gallery Chittrak, House #21, Road #4, Dhanmondi. The exhibition will be open for all from 10 am to 8 pm everyday.

September 28-30

A three-day exhibition titled 'Iran and Tourism', organised by Iranian Cultural Centre, will be held at House-54, Road-8/A, Dhanmondi. Time: 5.00pm. The exhibition will remain open from 10.00am to 6.00pm daily.

Print Exhibition

September 26-October 5
Shilparang has arranged a 10-day-long print exhibition of contemporary print makers of Bangladesh titled 'Ei Shomoer Chhaphচিত্র' from 26 September at 5.30 pm at the Shilparang Gallery. The show will be open for all from 10am to 9pm everyday.

Woodcut Print Exhibition

October 03-14
Alliance Francaise will hold a solo woodcut print exhibition by Selina Chowdhury Mili on October 3 at 5.00 pm at its La galerie. The show will be open for all from 9 pm to 12 pm and 5 pm to 9 pm daily. The show will be closed on October 5 and 12.

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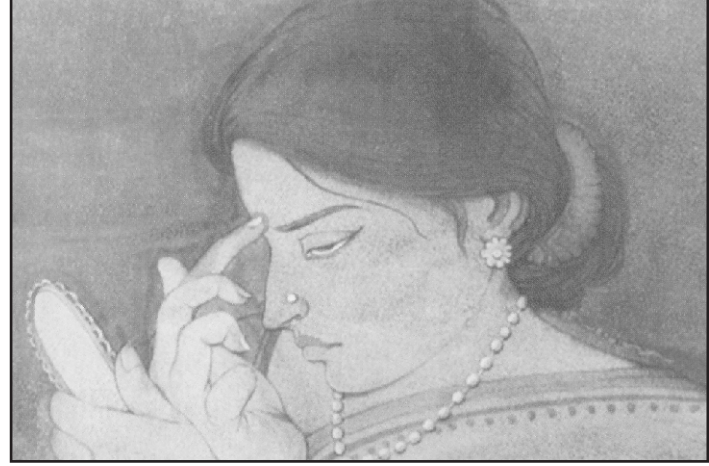
Light and shade

Daring experimentation

Six artists' exhibit at "Shilparang"

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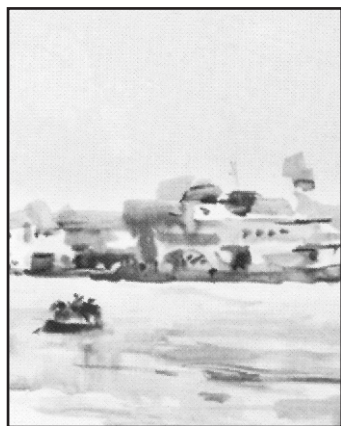
THE recent exhibition of six young artists at "Shilparang" spoke of imagination, experimentation and determination. This included the works of Abdul Aziz, Abdur Razzaque Prodhan Liton, Anisur Rahman, Shamsul Arefin, Rajaul Islam and Shahin Akhter Lipi. Razzaque Prodhan in his water colour depicted the fishermen going out to work in a group. He said, "I used to go out with them as a child and more than eating the fish I enjoyed catching them. I am also aware of the joys and sorrows of their lives. The use of sombre colours in my works depicts the difficulties in the lives of the fishermen." He made the water with brown and purple sweeps with the figures coming in a line across the water. Behind was the sky in vertical washes of ochre and gray. In an-



Md Abdul Aziz

sienna, green combined with shades of gray to bring in yet another river scene with fishermen at work. Gypsy life had also been brought into Prodhan's work. He prefers to work in water colour as he can quickly finish the work in this medium and also because he finds this economical. With practice he can handle this medium with ease.

Shamsul Arefin in his "Retrieved Reality" brought in the river of his childhood. A bending, bluish pale river with a boat harked back to his



Md. Samsul Arafin Kirtonkhulla

happy memories. The river sometimes appeared aquamarine while the sails of the boat were rectangular. Around were land masses in beige, brown and blue. Being fond of Van Gogh, the impact of the French Impressionists had entered his work. In "Embracing life" he had depicted the life of the homeless people near the Bongshai River

who lived under the trees even in winter. The presentation was a lyrical one. "The bank of Kirtonkhola" brought in a paddle steamer "Turn" which was depicted in splashes of brown, beige and blue. Arefin said, "This steamer will not be there after a few years but this picture will and so will its memories."

Shahin Akhter Lipi combines folk art with cave art in her work. With this, she put the natural elements around her that she found in nature. She also brought in her feelings. In "Image-1" Lipi brought in women fetching water from the river in earthen vessels and within her the feelings were also apparent. In "Garden" were leaves, branches and flowers the subjects were seen from different angles. Acrylic on canvas brought in elements from nature and the images there were easier to follow. The mounds on graves were intertwined with figures and flowers to express human happiness. Figures of different proportions were seen from different angles.

In Rajaul Islam's woodworks there was a female figure that was hinted at and it was surrounded by three birds with long beaks. All round the figure were trees, leaves, branches and bending over flowers. This comprised of layers of wood that had been shaved, carved and painted over. "Fish-1" had a bone in the centre while the details of the head, tail, fins and gills had been brought in with scalloped shapes. "Woodpecker" had a bird and flowers while "Lady and a bird" was another romantic delineation with exotic imagery of lotus flowers and banana leaf.

Abdul Aziz's works brought in flowering cacti seen against sweeps of green, red and yellow containing tree roots. He was influenced by his teachers Nasreen Begum and Abdus Sattar.

The young artists at "Shilparang" had many awards to their credit. The exhibition is on till October 3rd.

Concert

A musical evening with Sadi Mohammed and Fatema Tuz Zohra

Spectra Convention Centre: Meeting the 21st century requirements

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

THE newly built Convention Centre at the city's aristocratic locale, Gulshan-1; over a space of one bigha hosted a stylish cultural evening with prominent artists of the town.

The banquet place, "Queen's Hall" of 1,800 square feet is equipped with the ideal auditorium structure. Having a ceiling height of 20 feet, sound-proof interior, and surrounds sound system; assembling it to be an appropriate setting, it is competent of managing heavy sound.

Dhaka was fortunate enough to enjoy the opening night of the centre by Sadi Mohammed and Fatema Tuz Zohra.

Two hours of remarkable music, comprised Tagore, Nazrul, Folk, and Bengali Modern songs by the duo entertained a full house!

Sadi started with few Tagore songs like *Jokhon porbena mor* and a small change with Country song, *Ami Banglali gaan gai* and later continued with Adhunik Bangla, paying a tribute to Hemanta Mukherjee, recollecting the memory of his death anniversary



Sadi Mohammed and Fatema Tuz Zohra duo performing

and songs like *Megh kalo adhar kalo* were applauded.

Another renowned artist Fatema then took the stage and delighted the audience with her opening song *Rim jhim jhim* the famous Nazrul Geeti. As the city experienced a heavy down pour, the song made the crowds cheer.

She continued with her numbers of other Nazrul favorites; *Shaon o raat e jodi*, *Dur dip o bashini* and went onto cover Modern Bengali

soundtrack *Tumi ashbe bole*.

The musicians then moved onto performing duets, for instance, *Shedin dujone* one of the Tagore hits followed by *Ei path jodi na* and finally wrapped up the evening with the very emotional *Ei raat tomar amar*, leaving the audience in high spirits.

The Spectra Management, with Major MH Khan (Retd.) as the CEO, promised such occasions every month. This kind of event is exceptional as it offers, mainly Event management, Catering, and Hospitality services. Their luxurious banquet halls, conference rooms, barbeque place, business centre along with modern hygienic kitchen are all under the same roof - a modern convention centre with a preparation to provide international standard services.

As above-mentioned, the halls are appropriate venues with efficient sound equipment; the conference rooms are also equipped with state-of-the-art technology.

Therefore, the valued residents of Dhaka can have parties, workshops, seminars rested upon the committed and highly motivated Spectra Management Team who are with a mission to endow with enhanced services in hospitality industry.



The audience filled banquet hall

on September 26. *Muche jawa din gulo*, *O nodi re*

Songs, namely *E shudhu gaan er din* and the popular "Shutorang" film

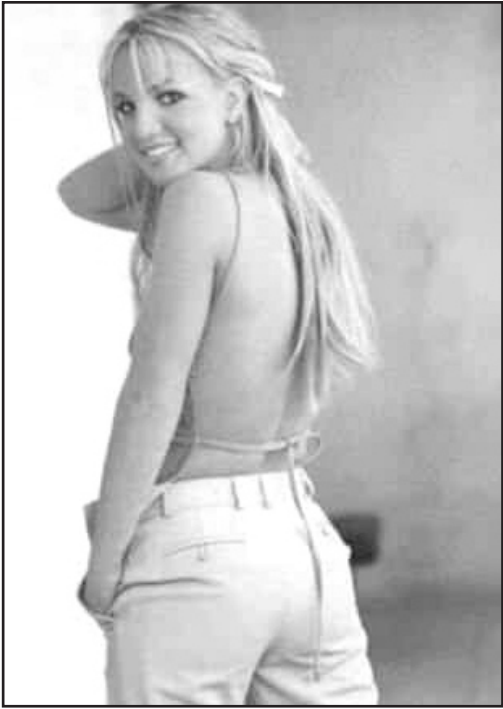
East meets west

Britney goes balle-balle

ANI, London

HOLLYWOOD singer-actress Britney Spears has taken to Indian *bhangra* tunes to make her comeback after nearly one year. Spear's latest album is likely to come out later this year. The song features Spears singing and rapping over music and rhythms from rural India. It has been remixed by British Asian producer Rishie Rich. "The Britney song came to me as a commercial pop song," the *Daily Times* quoted Rich as saying while speaking to BBC. "The song was great, but what I sent back to them is a real street edge with a bit of Asian influence," he said. "I actually didn't want to put too much Asian in it, because I wasn't sure what they wanted," Rich said. "Steve Lurt, who was the A and R for the records in New York, just went 'we want more, just put all in—we'd rather want you put it all in, then we can take little bits out.' That's what he wanted—he wanted the full Asian

thing," Rich added. Rich said that while bhangra had been established in UK for quite some time, it has only just begun influencing music in the US. And, therefore, Spears would be seen as at the cutting edge of musical change there. "Bhangra in America has just kicked off, and it's not as big as it is here," Rich said adding "people are loving the sounds and they want that sound." "I think that you need something that is going to be more innovative. I think just generally if you mix Asian music with Egyptian music or Spanish music or pop music -- you get a different sound." While bhangra's recent explosion into the UK mainstream may not last, Rich is simply happy it is now getting the exposure and airplay it deserves. The Indian influence is the latest change for Spears, who has previously gone from pop princess in pigtails to sex kitten and is reportedly 'over the moon' with the record.



Documentary

Bangladesh Documentary Film Festival ends

Best documentary "Orao Manush"

BANGLADESH organized by *Polash Visual* says a press release.

Artist Mustafa Munwar was the at German Cultural Center on the Manush", directed by Khalid Chowdhury collected the award for Film, while PVC Best Document-Choudhury's "Shei Raat er Kotha

Audience voted best document-directed by Shahidul Islam Mintu. Members of the Jury Board for Journalist Rafikuzzaman, Film Mahmuda Choudhury. Shahiduzzaman Badol directed was screened after the Award

A total of 30 Documentaries



Orao Manush

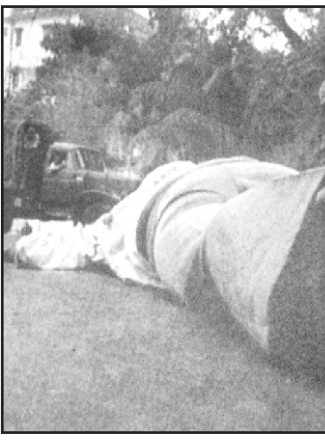
Documentary Film Festival *Communication* concluded recently,

chief guest for the closing ceremony Thursday, September 25.

festival was nominated as "Orao Mahmud Mithu. A Masud Best Director for a Documentary tary Award went to Kawsar Bolte Eshechi". tary award went to "Jion Kathi",

this festival were Film Critic and Maker Zakiul Huq and Movie Critic Documentary Film, "Tulir Achor" Giving Ceremony.

were screened in this festival.



Tale of the Darkest Night

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 07:15 am. 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. News (English) at 8:00 pm.
Telecast of BTV news(Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm.
Latest News(Bangla) at 09 a.m, 10:00 a.m., 11:00 am. 1:00 pm. 2:00 pm. 3:00 pm. 4:00 pm. 6:00 pm., and 8:00 pm.

BTV
08:00 Morning News
08:25 Programme From BTV Archive
09:40 News Headlines
12:10 News Headlines
12:15 *Shangbadpatrer Pata Theke*
01:00 News
02:00 News Headlines
02:05 Cartoon Show
03:00 English News
03:05 *Chhaya Manabi*
04:00 News Headlines
04:30 Open University
05:00 Khabor
05:05 *School Debate Competition*
05:45 *Chhotoder Khabor*
06:00 Khabor. *Desh Janopad*
06:10 *Dolon Champa*
06:35 *Nrityer Taley Taley*
07:00 News Headlines
07:05 *Shur O Bari*
07:30 Drama Serial: *Shat Rajar Dhan*
08:00 Bangla News at Eight
08:30 *Shamekalin Natak*
09:30 Drama Serial: *Jalchihap*
10:00 English News at Ten
10:25 News Report
10:30 *Bishwa Natak*
11:30 Late Night News/News Headlines
CHANNEL-i
07:15 Channel-i Morning News
09:00 Channel-i Morning News
09:45 *Triloy Matra*
02:00 Bangla Feature Film: *Jibon Shangi* (Sharma, Jahid Hassan)
05:35 *Jonopoder Khabor*
05:45 *Chitrmeela*
06:10 Music Plus
06:45 *Durer Akash*
07:15 Channel-i News
07:50 *Ala Bhola*
08:25 Drama Serial: *Pantho Hey*
09:00 Channel-i News
09:35 *Serial: Superman*
10:00 Drama Serial: *Shudhu Tomar Janiya*
10:30 Channel-i News
11:30 Late Night News of BTV
12:15 Channel-i News
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05:02 News Headlines
05:05 *Potrikar Khabor*
05:20 *Ithasher Ei Diney*
05:25 *Shapla Kuri*
06:00 *Apar Jigyasha*
06:30 News Headlines
06:32 *Shubho Shandhya*
06:52 *Khabor Deshey Deshey*
07:30 Evening News
08:00 Drama Serial: *Eborg Ami*
08:35 *Arshi Nagar*
09:10 *Priyo Mukh*
09:45 News Headlines
09:47 Drama Serial: *Swapnojatra*
10:22 Gallery
10:50 *Ithasher Ei Diney*
11:00 News
11:30 *Dir Darpan*
11:35 Century
12:30 *Cine Gaan*
HBO
10:00 My Horrible Year
12:00 Stephen King's Rose Red - Part III
1:45 The Pledge
4:15 Box Office America Ep. 18
4:45 The In Crowd
6:45 The Exorcist
9:30 Turbulence
11:30 The Fast and The Furious

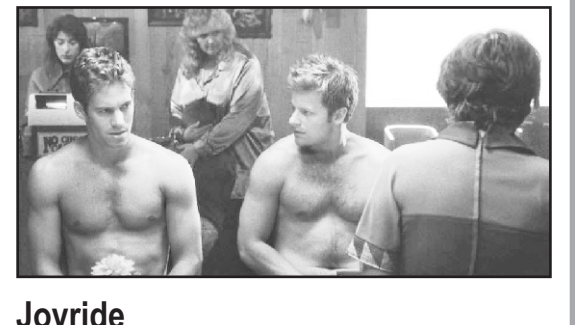
TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

HBO: 9:30 p.m. Turbulence
Genre: Action / Thriller
Ray Liotta, Lauren Holly, Brendan Gleeson, Hector Elizondo, Rachel Ticotin. Ryan Weaver romances beautiful woman before he kills them. Ryan is arrested, convicted, and is part of a Christmas Eve transfer of prisoners on a transcontinental 747 commercial flight. Other airlines at JFK may have holiday passengers waiting on stand-by, but this jumbo jet takes off with a lot of empty seats.

STAR MOVIES : 7:00 pm The Legend Of Bagger Vance
Drama / Comedy / Romance Cast: Will Smith, Matt Damon, Charlize Theron
Rannuph Junnah is the best golfer in Savannah. He's living well and has a girl, Adele Invergood, who's the daughter of a wealthy landowner. The First World War starts, though, and Junnah goes to Europe to fight. The only survivor of a dangerous mission, Junnah doesn't return to Savannah for 15 years.

STAR MOVIES
12:00 Focus
1:45 Joyride
3:30 My Best Friend's Wedding
5:15 Bad Company
7:00 The Legend Of Bagger Vance
9:15 Billy Madison
10:45 What's Eating Gilbert Grape
MGM
11:30 Colors
2:00 Married To It
4:30 Rainman
7:00 The Buddy Factor
9:30 Romantic Mondays: Midaq Alley
11:30 Traffic
BBC WORLD
BBC News every hour on the hour
12:30 World Business Report /Sport Today
1:30 Top Gear
2:30 Hardtalk
4:30 Extra Time
4:30 Asia Today/World Business Report
5:15 Hardtalk
6:15 World Business

PICK OF THE DAY



Joyride
On STAR MOVIES at 1:45 pm
Genre: Drama, Tobey Maguire , Amy Hathaway, Wilson Cruz, Christina Naify, James Karen , To a dumpty model in an out-of-the-way little town, a mysterious woman, calling herself only Ms. Smith, comes to stay. Not only is she stunningly lovely, but her big black convertible is a beaut. J.T., the just-out-of-high-school son of the motel's owner, is taken by the car, and in an attempt to live up his dull life, and possibly to impress Tanya, a hotel guest who flirts with him and wants to be a model, he steals the car, and brings along Tanya and his pal James.

STAR PLUS
1:00 Kasauti Zindagi Kay Bandhan
1:30 Kumkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan
2:00 Bhabhi
2:30 Shaugh
3:00 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi
3:30 Kabhi Aaye Na Judai
4:00 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Ki
4:30 Kahiin To Hoga Film Toppers
5:00 Tanha
5:05 Tamra
5:30 Hit Film:in Taaza Hits
7:30 Report/Sport Today
8:15 Sci Shack/Wild Moves/Virt World
9:30 Asia Today
9:30 Hardtalk
10:30 World Business
11:30 World Business Report/Click Online
11:30 World Business Report/Sport Today
ZEE CINEMA
1:30 Zara Hatke Leela, Dimple Kapadia Vinod Khanna
8:45 Jaanam Samjha Karo Saiman Khan Urmila
9:30 Ek Hi Raasta, Ajay

6:00 Hum Saat Aath
6:30 Fox Kids
7:25 Film Toppers
7:30 Kumkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan
7:55 Film Toppers
8:00 Shaka Laka Boom Boom
8:30 Kishna Arjun
9:00 Kasauti Zindagi Kay Des Mein Nikla Hoga Chand
10:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Ki
11:00 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi
11:30 Kahiin To Hoga
12:00 Kaahin Kissi Roz
STAR GOLD
8:00 Geet Bahar
8:30 Hit Film:in Hit Sangeet
9:00 Ek Doctor Ki Maut
12:0 Hit Film:in Hit Sangeet
12:30 Suhaagan
4:00 Jubilee Plus
4:30 Pyaar Koi Khel Nahin.
8:00 Hit Film:in Hit Sangeet
8:30 Dadagiri
12:00 Hit Film:in Hit Sangeet
STAR WORLD
12:30 World's Wildest Police Videos
1:30 The Pretender
2:28 Star Asia Tra
2:30 Ograh Winfrey
3:30 Bold And Beautiful
3:30 Sabrina The Teenage Witch
5:00 2 Guys A Girl & A Pizza Place
5:30 Knight Rider
6:30 The Simpsons
7:00 Home Improvement
7:30 Friends
8:00 Just Shoot Me
8:30 That 70s Show
9:00 Dharma & Greg
9:30 Yes Dear
10:00 Becker
10:30 Third Watch
11:28 Star Asia Tra
11:30 Baywatch
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC
1:30 Croc Chronicles S2
2:00 Toyota World Of Wildlife
2:30 Built For The Kill
3:30 Big Cat Challenge
4:30 Self-Portrait
5:30 Sea Stories
6:00 Africa From The Ground Up
6:30 Dogs With Jobs
7:00 Toyota World Of Wildlife S3
7:30 Dogs With Jobs
8:00 Monkey Business
8:30 Croc Chronicles
9:00 Croc Chronicles S2
9:30 Fear Of Snakes
10:30 King Cobra
11:30 Sea Of Snakes
DISCOVERY
1:00 A Wedding Story - Angela & Dennis
1:30 Body Basics - Uncovering Skin
2:30 New Detectives - Electronic Witness
3:30 Wild Discovery - Armed to the Teeth
4:30 I Love Music
5:00 Popular Mechanics for Kids
5:30 Globe Trekker Greek Islands
6:30 Journeys to the Ends of the Earth - The Land of Fear
7:30 Wild Discovery - Ways of Being Male
8:30 Classic Discovery - Cave of the Glowing Skulls
9:30 History in Colour - A Trypt with Destiny
10:30 World's Best - World's Best Thrill Parks
11:30 FBI Files - A Model Killer

TEN SPORTS
12:00 Pick of the Week (2): Ep 36
2:00 Raw (1): Ep 537
5:30 Pakistan v South Africa 03: 2nd ODI (1st Session)
6:30 Pakistan v South Africa 03: 2nd ODI (Lunch)
9:30 Pakistan v South Africa 03: 2nd ODI (2nd Session)
10:00 Pakistan v South Africa 03: 2nd ODI (Review)
10:30 Gamer TV
11:00 World Football News
1:00 Raw (1): Ep 537
STAR SPORTS
4:30 Race Day Indianapolis In USA United States Grand Prix(R)
5:15 Formula One World Championship Indianapolis In USA United States Grand Prix(R)
7:30 Formula One Indianapolis In USA United States Grand Prix(R) Sportsline Tonight Sportsline (L)
10:30 Australia Cricket Carlton Series 2001 Sydney Australia Australia vs Zimbabwe 9th ODI Highlights
ESPN
12:30 Major League Baseball Saturday 2003 (R)
3:30 English Premier Football League 2003/04 (R)
5:30 English Premier Football League 2003/04 (R)
7:30 English Premier League Highlights (T)
8:30 Sportscenter Hindi (L)
9:00 UEFA Champions League Magazine Show (R)
9:30 English Premier Football League 2003/04 (R)