

RECOMMENDATIONS

Exhibition
October 04-16
The Saju Art Gallery is opening a solo painting exhibition of noted artist Syed Jahangir.

Print
September 26-October 5
Shilpangan has arranged a 10-day-long print exhibition of contemporary print makers of Bangladesh.

Woodcut Print
October 03-14
Alliance Francaise holds a solo woodcut print exhibition by Selina Chowdhury Mili at its La galerie.

Pottery Painting
October 1-8
A pottery painting exhibition by Shumon Patowary is going on at the Drick gallery.

Painting
October 3-8
A six-day-long painting exhibition of the students of Ankan Art School is going on at the exhibition hall of the Russian Cultural Centre.

Bonsai
October 2-4
Bangladesh Bonsai Society holds the annual Bonsai Exhibition from at the BRAC Centre Inn.

Roktokorobi
October 4
The famous play Roktokorobi will have its 37th show at the Mahila Samiti on October 4 at 7:00 pm.

Drama Lane
Bangladesh Mahila Samity
4 Natok Soroni, New Baily Rd.
(Evening show at 7:00 pm
Morning show at 11:00 am)

Noble venture

Bangladeshi Novels go cyberway



HARUN UR RASHID

THE literature of the country has gone on the net! Not the literary pieces themselves, but essays and discussions about them; not all the literary genres, only the novels.

A website named www.bangladeshinovels.com was officially launched on October 02 at a ceremony held at the auditorium of the Institute of Modern Languages of Dhaka University.

Rifle College- out of sheer personal interest, the website carries discussions on more than 30 novelists and their work.

The site has three pages that contain this information. The introduction page has a list of all the major novelists and their novels.

will immediately win the visitors' praise.

Presided over by Professor Sirajul Islam Chowdhury, the launching ceremony was also attended by Professor Monsur Musa, DG, Bangla Academy, eminent litterateur Mohammad Zafar Iqbal, Fakrul Alam, Professor of English, Dhaka University, and Masuduzzaman.

Speakers unanimously opined that such endeavours like Subrata's would help Bangladeshi literature reach the foreign readers and

researchers. Novelists Moinul Ahsan Saber said, that now the world would discover that our literature is also classic in nature. Zafar Iqbal emphasised on maintaining international standards regarding translation of Bangla novels so that the readers of other languages get a similar feeling that is projected in the original Bangla version.

Site-author Subrata is hopeful about updating the site every three months and thus including many other important novelists into the list.

Heritage

Bonsai trees rest in BRAC

An aesthetic heritage of nature

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

BORN in China, brought up in Japan since 200 B.C., Bonsai has been one of the most elegant plants on earth.

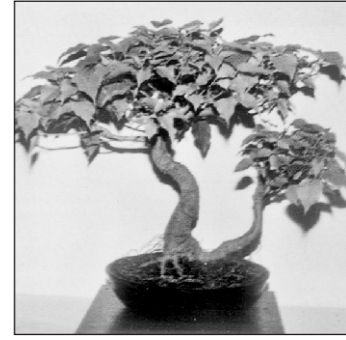
A ratio of 3:3:3 of soil, fertilizer and brick chips mingled to an interesting mixture over a flat pot, it holds one of the most fascinating, engineered species and traditionally a living artwork.

The 5th annual Bonsai exhibition was held on October 2 at the BRAC centre auditorium.

The autumn afternoon was a gathering of eminent speakers of the city. Dr. Shafique Ahmed Khan, president of Bangladesh Bonsai society made the inaugural speech. Chief guest for the day was Matsushiro Horiguchi, ambassador of Japan, special guest, artist Mustafa Monwar and guest of honour Dr. Noazesh Ahmed, naturalist and botanist, Mahmudur Rahman, general secretary and Sayeeda A Zahid publication secretary of Bangladesh Bonsai society were present at the ceremony.

Talking about Bonsai, Noazesh Ahmed said the tree has an aesthetic appeal. He gave a brief history of the plant and shared beautiful memories from his life as he experienced the sight of a rare breed of 5,000-year-old Bonsai. To depict the beauty of the tree, he recited a verse from Tagore's 'Brikhho Bondona', a poem written for the love of plants.

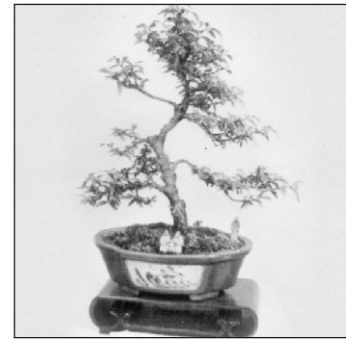
The renowned artist Mustafa



Twin trunk



Root over rock



Informer upright



Landscape - The last green

Monwar in his speech recalled nostalgic memories of gigantic trees from his early days. The plants, once meant to beautify the city parks, are now cut down to make space for the high-rise structures.

The exhibition was formally inaugurated by the chief guest and special guest and the venue, a

garden of artistic livelihood, was then declared open to visitors.

The idea behind 'Bonsai heritage' started when people from China and Japan wanted to adorn their houses with smaller versions of the enormous, yet gorgeous trees dwelling outside in the wild. It was then that the art of producing such miniature adaptations emerged as a sensational art.

Ethnic essence

An artistic effort to discover the truth

Uttaradhikar's latest production: Prempuran

CULTURAL ACTIVIST, Ctg

FOLK tales are always a source of immense attraction to the viewers. However, at times behind each folk-tale there lies a huge falsehood. So, it is necessary to judge logically and then believe in the tales.

At present many group theatres in Chittagong are working successfully and Uttaradhikar is notably one of them. The members of this group maintain some definite beliefs in their practice. The use of traditional Bengali folk-play and cultural elements are often found in their plays.

Uttaradhikar's past productions Sampannaiya and Sagarghat



A colourful sequence from the play Prempuran by Uttaradhikar.

essentially reflects this belief and Prempuran is a step ahead. Presented in a narrative technique with dance-song-music, this play takes us back to the remote past, belonging to our ancestors.

A palace, built upon the veil of falsehood for a long time suppresses the truth. But time does not

let the builders of this mysterious palace forget their sins. May be someday someone will come to reveal the truth. Then on that fragile palace a new edifice will be constructed and a new history will be created.

In an opera show, staged in Dewan House, Ainum the Dewan's daughter, falls in love with an ordinary actor Shah Daulat while watch-

ing the drama performance of Kanko-Leela. The dreams of Ainum-Daulat are far fetched. But the order of Bhat's king and Dewan's aristocracy stand as a hindrance and their love faces cruel, inhuman consequences.

Though the story of Prempuran is based on the age-old social scenario, it is also a reflection of similar contemporary problems. Love and desire for beauty is expressed here with great significance. Social custom, discrimination in caste and status, pride of power, conspiracy but finally the success of humanity is the motto of the play.

The presentation style of the play was very charming. A lively use of chorus and choreography gave an extra flavour to the whole play. The magical musical composition of violin and flute, the set made of wood, bamboo and cane, indigenous dialogue, fascinating lighting and lastly the lively performance of young artistes, created an excellent ambience on the mind of the audience and inspired them to search for the hidden truth.

Bedazzle

All that jazz

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

THE origins of jazz history go back to the 20th century unique American musical composition. Traits carried from West African folk music developed in the Americas, joined with European light classical music of the late 19th century, became the rhythms of swing with the characteristics of Blues.

The jazz assassins Jazzisimo was very entertaining on October 02, at Osmani Auditorium. Daniel Kelly, the composed pianist; Harvie S, with his unique techniques playing bass; Virginia Mayhew, the elegant Saxophonist and Allison Miller, the ace with her drums were all heavily applauded.

Their set of music comprised a set depicting the Brazilian influence on jazz with numbers like Girl from Ipanema (Bossa Nova) Antonio Carlos Jobim. They also performed some Salsa influenced jazz pieces and amazed the audience with the new breed of music.

After every instrumental solo, the crowd appreciated with cheers rolling out from their expressions as



An unique presentation by the Ambassador's wife along with Jazzisimo

a passion-jazz music. One of the biggest attractions of the evening was the performance by the U.S. Ambassador's wife. Her

excitement for jazz music really embraced the crowd as she covered the famous Embraceable you by the Gershwin Brothers.

TV GUIDE

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

News Bulletin

BTV
News Headlines(Bangla) at 9:40 am, 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) 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.
Teletext 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.
Teletext of BTV News(Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm.
Latest News(Bangla) at 09 a.m, 10:00 a.m, 11:00 a.m, 1 pm, 2:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 4:00pm, 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-Headline(Bangla) at 5:30 pm, 7:30 pm.
Tara News(Bangla) at 8:30 pm, 11:30 pm.
Tara News Bangladesh(Bangla) at 9:30 pm.
BBC World

BTV
07:35 Shuprabhat Bangladesh Programme from BTV Archive
08:25 Onnyo Bhuban Shangbadpatrer Pata Theke
12:15 E Shaptaher Natok
01:05 Shur O Chhando
02:05 Documentary
03:05 Nibedon
03:30 Shukhi Paribar
05:55 Shamakalin Orthonti
06:10 Wrestling
07:05 Prescription
07:30 Film: New Adventure of Sinbad
08:30 Ananda Ghanta
10:25 News Report
10:30 Ananda Jharnass
CHANNEL-i
09:45 Tritia Mattra
10:30 Music Plus
02:00 Bangla Feature
09:45 Film: Hiron Pasha
05:35 Jonopoder Khabor
05:45 Sharif Melamine Sanggetmala
06:10 Music Plus
06:45 Drama Serial: Dhangor
07:50 Drama Serial: Chera Pata
08:25 Drama Serial : Kotamrita
09:35 Drama Serial : Boshobash
10:00 Drama Serial: Jibon Chhobi
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05:05 Potrikar Khabar
05:20 Itihasher Ei Diney

05:25 Dadtenev Hatem Tai
06:00 Apnar Jigyasha
06:32 Shubho Shandhya
06:52 News This Week
08:00 Drama Serial: Tin Purush
08:35 Telefilm: Auntorey Nirotor
10:50 Itihasher Ei Diney
11:30 Din Darpan
11:35 Kichu Kotha Kichu Gaan
12:05 Shanksririr Ey Shaptha
12:30 Ciney Gaan
TARA BANGLA
12:30 Utsab
1:00 Baithaki Adda
1:30 Tara News
1:33 Baithaki Adda
2:00 Safar Rpt.
2:33 BFF Subhalagna
3:00 Subhalagna
3:33 Subhalagna
4:33 Subhalagna
5:00 Tathya Talash
5:33 Business Week
6:00 Hanrir Khabar
6:33 Banglar Mukh
7:00 Syllebushey Nei
7:30 Tara News
7:33 Pratidin Puja Perfect
8:00 Tara News
8:30 E To Noi Sudhu Gaan
9:30 Tara News
9:30 Tara News
10:30 Baithaki Adda
9:33 Tara News
10:30 Tara News
10:33 Pujjo Live
11:30 Tara News

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS
PICK OF THE DAY
STAR MOVIES
HBO
MGM

As Good As It Gets
On STAR MOVIES at 9:05 pm.
Genre: Comedy / Drama / Romance
Jack Nicholson, Helen Hunt, Greg Kinnear
New York City. Melvin Udall, a cranky, bigoted, obsessive-compulsive writer, finds his life turned upside down when neighboring gay artist Simon is hospitalized and his dog is entrusted to Melvin. In addition, Carol, the only waitress who will tolerate

1:30 Goosebumps
2:00 Action Man
2:30 Robocop
3:00 X-Men
3:30 The Kumars At No. 42
4:00 Cops
4:30 World's Wildest Police Videos
5:30 Knight Rider
6:30 The Crow
7:30 Xena: Warrior Princess
8:30 Tna Wrestling
9:30 Mutant X
10:30 Adventure Inc
11:30 Baywatch Hawaii

STAR SPORTS
1:30 World Of Rugby The Irb's World Of Rugby (T)
2:00 Harsha Harsha Unplugged (R)
2:30 Futbol Mundial (R)
3:00 Nba Inside Stuff (R)
3:30 Pga Tour Golf American Express Championships 2003 (Wgc) Atlanta Ga Usa Day Two(R)
7:30 Epl Saturday Premiership Saturday On Star Preview(L) Series
7:55 English Premier Football League English Premier Football League 2003/04 Manchester England Preview (R)
2:30 Super Centuries (R)
3:00 Uefa Champions League 2003/04 Uefa Champions League Moscow Russia Lokomotiv Moscow Vs Arsenal Gro Up Phase 1 Matchday
4:55 Sportscenter Sportscenter Weekend (T)
10:00 Rugby World Cup

Rugby Hq Asia - Rwc Preview (T)
11:00 Pga Tour Golf American Express Championships 2003 (Wgc) Atlanta Ga Usa Day Three(L)
ESPN
7:00 Sportscenter Hindi (R)
7:30 Here We Go (R)
8:30 Super Centuries (R)
9:00 Pro Billiards 2003 Bca Open 9-Ball Championships Las Vegas Nv Usa Semifinals (Women)(T)
10:00 Goals! (R)
10:30 Hitz (R)
11:00 English Premier Football League Epl Big Red Replay Charlton Uk Charlton Athletic Vs Liverpool (R)
1:00 English Premier League Preview (R)
2:30 Super Centuries (R)
3:00 Uefa Champions League 2003/04 Uefa Champions League Moscow Russia Lokomotiv Moscow Vs Arsenal Gro Up Phase 1 Matchday
4:55 Sportscenter Sportscenter Weekend (T)
5:00 Epl Saturday

Premiership Saturday Preview(L)
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7:30 Epl Saturday Premiership Saturday Preview(L)
7:55 English Premier Football League English Premier Football League 2003/04 Newcastle England Newcastle Le United Vs Southampton (L)
10:00 Epl Postshow Premiership Postgame (L)
10:30 English Premier Football League English Premier Football League 2003/04 ManchesterEngland Manche Ster United Vs Birmingham City
ZEE CINEMA
7:30 Kasme Vaade (Amitabh Bachchan, Rakhee)
10:30 Sanam Bewafa (Salman Khan, Chandni)
1:30 The Legend of Bhagat Singh (Ajay Devgan, Sushant Singh, Raj Babbar, Amrita Rao)
5:30 Rakshak (Sunil Shetty, Karisma