### RECOMMENDATIONS

### **Exhibition**

October 16-27 An exhibition titled 'Transformation', a compilation of works by 14 artists from Dhaka, Chittagong, Rajshahi and Bogra, is going on at the La Gallerie of Alliance Française, 26, Mirpur Road, Dhaka.

### Korean Contemporary Painting

October 19-25 To celebrate the thirtieth anniver sary of the diplomatic relation between Bangladesh and the Republic of Korea, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy has arranged Korean Contemporary Painting Exhibition' by Choon Choo Fine Arts Association in Korea at the National Gallery. The exhibition will remain open for all from 11 am to 7 pm daily (Friday 3pm-7 pm).

### **Painting**

October 10-24 Shilpangan arranged a fifteenday-long solo painting exhibition of artist Iftikharuddin Ahmed's recent works. The show is open for all from 10 am to 9 pm everyday.

### Film Show

October 20 The film 'War and Peace' will be screened at the auditorium of the Russian Cultural Centre to mark the birth anniversary of great Russian film director and actor Sergei Bon-

darchuk in cooperation with Sergei Bondarchuk film club, at 3 p.m.

Drama Lane Bangladesh Mahila Samity 4 Natok Soroni, New Baily Rd. (Evening show at 7:00 pm Morning show at 11:00 am) Group Plays Madhabi 18, 19 (Baily Road) Dhaka Padatik Ingeet 21 Desh Natok Birosha Kabya Muktaloy Natyangar Unmochon Azrailer Post Mortem Shonar Khachay 24 Dhaka Nandonik Shojon Badhiar Padatik Natya Ghat Shangshad

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PHOTO:BBC Artist Olafur Eliasson's latest installation offers non stop sunshine inside the Tate Modern, London.

### **Performance**

# Fans flock to Mother Teresa musical Gonder

BBC, Online

musical about the life of Mother Teresa has had audiences flocking to a Rome theatre ahead of the late nun's beatification by the Pope. The show looks back at her five decades of helping the poor in Calcutta, set to reggae, funk and pop songs.

About 1,300 people packed the Brancaccio theatre for its first night. "The aim is not to tackle political problems but to portray her most ephemeral aspects." said the show's creator Michele Paulicelli.

Some 250,000 pilgrims are

on Sunday. The part of Mother Teresa is played by 22-year-old actress Giada Nobile, showing the nun battling red tape to ensure food reached the needy.

Mother Teresa, who died in 1997, was treated as a living saint during her lifetime for her work taking care of the poor through her Missionaries of Charity organisation.

The musical's author offers an uncritical assessment of the religious figure, leaving out political controversy such as Mother Teresa accepting donations from the likes of the late media tycoon Robert Maxwell and former Haitian dictator



CULTURE

The musical tells the story of Mother Teresa's struggles.

throughout from the audience, mainly made up of nuns, teachers and pupils. Sister Maria Luisa, an Italian and Latin teacher, who accompanied her school class to see the musical, said it was a little over the top for her taste

"But I suppose that's due to the demands of a musical. If it can help people to get an idea of what kind of

person Mother Teresa was, then it's already something," she said. "It's a way of showing that even in suffering, you must never give up," said another nun. Mr Paulicelli has previously written a musical on the life of St Francis of Assisi which ran for 20 years in Italy.



The musical uses many musical genres.

### TV drama

Mother Teresa is being fast-tracked to sainthood.

expected to journey to Italy for the

beatification ceremony, the final

The musical, which has already

played to 70,000 during a tour of

Italy, is one of a number of events

being held ahead of the ceremony

formal stage before sainthood.

## **New Drama Serial on Air**

Jean-Claude "Baby Doc" Duvalier.

"A musical needs fiction to make the

message more true. It's a photo-

graph of Mother Teresa," Mr

The opening night in Italy was

Paulicelli said.

## Production house Masranga comes up with a new project

HARUN UR RASHID

OVERS of TV drama have by now watched start of another drama serial on the menu of the satellite channel ntv. Entitled Shangshoy, the serial has been scheduled to be aired every Tuesday at 9:10 pm. The first episode of the serial was launched on October 14. Earlier, the première show of the new serial was held on October 13 at the Goethe Institut.

Produced under the commissioning of Masranga Productions, the directed by Giasuddin Selim. The young director terms Shangshoy as his 'dream project.' The drama is quite different in nature from what is observed about most of the serials currently being shown on different TV channels. 'It projects characters that are more real-life', claims Selim.

The story of the drama has in its centre a young girl named Tandra. She lives with the family of her elder step-brother, who is a grocery

shopkeeper. Tandra happens to fall in love with Bayezid, the private tutor of her niece. At the instigation of the brother's father-in-law, who also lives with the family, however, Tandra is eventually married off to a middle aged man, Hasan, because Hasan has some influential power in getting Tandra's brother the dealership of some products. Later, Hasan and Tandra move to Dhaka where the latter meets another person named Salequin. The story thus moves ahead through complexities and climaxes

Selim says that the characters in people. Tandra, for example, appears in the beginning as an innocent simple girl always trying to cope with the rudeness of her sisterin-law and her father. Later, however, some suppressed vices like greed break loose in her character. Real-life characters are always combination of both good and bad qualities.' explains Selim.

Popular model-turned-actress Joya Ahsan plays the role of Tandra



Joya Ahsan plays the central role of a girl named Tandra in the serial

in the serial. And it must be admitted the drama serial include Inamul that Joya has excelled in portraying the character. Other performers in

Haque, Fazlur Rahman Babu, Naznin and others

Everyone Says I Love You

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1:00pm. Star Bestsellers

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### Theatre

## A play with message

**CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT** 

ONDER (The Rhinoceros) is the latest production of Prachchanut Group, famous for staging quality European Drama productions along with the Bangla in the country. It is the translated version of The Rhinoceros by Eugene Ionesco (1921-

The location of the play is a small French town where German army has established a totalitarian social structure after World War II. The theme confronts us with a universal issue--the difference between man and animal. If rationality is the answer, then the question arises what difference does remain without it? The inherent cruelty takes us to the animal level. In the play, Sigmund Freud's psychoanalysis influ-

ences the playwright. He has successfully shown that those who try to apply reason bear a strong suppressed force of cruelty within themselves. And after a certain stage they lose their sense of reason and start acting like a beast. The tone of the play is a little surrealistic.

Jahirul Haque has successfully translated the play, while director Kazi Taufigul Islam Emon's realistic approach indicates that he has thoroughly gone through Staneslavosky. The most remarkable part of his direction is the handling of three sequences simultaneously on the stage

The set designer M Saiful Islam has created a modern metropolitan city Paris though the plot of the play indicates a small town of the '40s. However the bluish



A sequence from the play Gonder

green colour of the set vividly indicates the wilderness and primitiveness of the animal

Two major elements of light designing--visibility and composition--were up to the mark but the texture was not good enough. Symbolic colours could have been used to support the theme. Actors especially Monirul Islam Rubel and Shahnaz Zereen Sattar showed good enthusiasm. The music composition by Rahul Anand was exceptional and artistic, in fact it was the best part of

Bangladesh Group Theatre Federation provided good logistic support for this production.

# **Natyajan Drama Festival**

**CULTURE DESK** 

EPUTED theatre group Natyajan has arranged a theatre festival from October 16 to 23 in the city. Begum Selima Rahman, State Minister for cultural affairs at Mohila Samity inaugurated the festival. Eminent theatre personality Mamunur Rashid, Chairperson of Bangladesh Group Theatre Federation attended the ceremony as special

The festival features six plays by theatre groups of the country as well as from West Bengal. Gandhar, a popular group from West Bengal, is participating in the festival with two of its stage productions--Char Duar

and Jara Brishtite Bhijechhilo. The visiting group will have two shows of each of the plays.

Among the local groups, Nagarik Natya Samproday will stage Raktokarobi, Lok Natyadal will perform Kanjus, Dhaka Theatre will stage Muntasir. and host Natvaian will perform Bhubaner Ghate. All plays will

6:30 pm

be staged at the Shawkat Osman Auditorium of the Public Library.

At the opening ceremony, singers Mita Haque, Shimul Yusuff and popular actress Chitralekha Guha performed songs from used in different stage plays. Munira Yusuf Memi presented her solo performance Phulrani--Ami Tia.

### Below is the schedule of the plays of the festival: Jara Brishtite Bhilechhilo

October 19	6:30 pm	Jara Brishtite Bhij	iechhilo	Gandhar
October 20	6:30 pm	Raktokarobi	Nagarik Natya San	nproday
October 21	6:30 pm	Kanjus	L	ok Natyadal
October 22	6:30 pm	Muntasir	Dha	aka Theatre
October 23	6:30 pm	Bhubaner Ghate		Natyajan

### Dance

# **Annual evening of Dhrupad Kala Kendra**

NOVERA DEEPITA

AMOLKANTI Sarkar was the founder of Dhupad Kala Kendra and to mark his seventh Dhupag Kala Keriura and Communication, now death anniversary the organisation, now headed by Sukla Sarkar, arranged a dance evening at the National Museum recently. The chief guest of the programme was the Minister for Cultural Affairs

The programme started with a Bharatnatyam special Alarappa that means 'blossoming flowers' The group dance was a spectacular one with the colourful costumes, rhythmic stepping, artistic movement and excellent expressions. Another group dance with the Nazrul song Rumajhum Rumajhum Jhum Jhum. Sarita and Srimonti performed a duet dance with the song Rimjhim bijon ei srabon megh. The light depicting the accurate effect of the storm and rain was

The dance guru Sukla Sarkar performed a solo recital titled Mirar Bhajan with the song Aj Krishna diwani Mira nacheyre. Another entertaining group

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Simi Garewal

Goosebumps

Action Man

The Kumars At No.

World's Wildest

Police Videos

Knight Rider

Xena: Warrior

Tna Wrestling

Adventure Inc

Hit Filmein Hit

Hit Filmein Hit

Without Ticket

Baywatch Hawaii

The Crow

Princess

Mutant X

Romance

Sangeet

Sangeet

Project A

11:00 Jubilee Plus

Apradhi

STAR GOLD

11:30 Ooh La La

12:30 Hum

Robocop

X-Men

Cops



dance with the Tagore song Hridoy amar nachere ajikey was performed by the students of Dhrupad Kala Kendra. Sukla Sarkar presented another Bharatnatyam from the Ramayana called Mangalam. Sohana and Prothoma performed Bashori Bajna with amazing movements and bold stepping. Finally all the students along with Sukla Sarkar performed a creative group dance with the song Jharo Jharo Jharna.

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10:30 English Premier

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**06:27** Australia Cricket 3

Day 2 (L)

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England Arsenal Vs

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Zimbabwe 2nd Test

X-Games The Asian

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Malaysia Event

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Epl Big Red Replay

Sportscenter Weekend

Highlights(T)

Toyota Kuala Lumpui

Day 3 Highlights(S)

Australia Australia Vs

Gillette World Sports

Special Gillette World

Chandigarh Pu India

# TV GUIDE

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

### News Bulletin

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

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. 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. 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.1pm. 2:00 pm.3:00 pm. 4:00pm.6:00 pm.and 8:00 pm. News Headlines(Bangla) at 5:02 pm. 6:30 pm. 9:45 pm. News (Bangla) 7:30 pm.11:00

TARA BANGLA NewsHeadline(Bangla) at 5:30 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 X-Files 12:15 Shangbadpatrer Pata Theke Drama of the Week

02:05 Sur o' Chhanda 04:30 Ey Dhaka Shey Dhaka 05:05 Nobo Anandey Jago

05:55 Somokalin Aurthonity Wrestling 07:00 Stock Exchange, Weather Forecast

07:30 New adventure of Sindahad 08.30 Ananda Ghanta 09:30 Drama Serial :Sapner Campus

10:30 Anada Jarna 11:00 Sur o' Lahiry

### **ATN BANGLA** Talk Show

10:50 Drama serial: Baba 12:20 Ajker Sangbadpotro Anurodher Assor Bengali Feature Film: Azad 04:20 Shapla Shaluk 04:50

Ajker Sangbadpotro 05:00 Gram Banglar Sangbad 05:10 Health Care prog

Uro Cola Saat Rang 05:50 Islamee Sawal O Thunder Stone

08:15 Mega serial: Mohona Mega serial: Lala Neel Bagune 09:25 Mega serial: Baba 10:00 ATN Bangla

Sangabad 10:35

Musical competi tion prog: Shes

### Akkhor CHANNEL-i Tritia Mattra

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11:30 **Ebong Cinema** 01:00 Drama Serial: Eknnnvaborti 02:00 Bangla Feature

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Film: Protinidy

Dhangor 07:50 Drama Serial Chera pata Drama Serial Boshobash

Foolkata ntv Itihasher Ei Diney 05:02 05:10 Potrikar Khabar Dastaney Hatem 05:25

Drama Serial

Apnar Jigyasha Shubho Shandhya 06:52 Sapthaher Kabar Drama Serial: Tin Purush Telefilm:Auntorey 08:35

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Drama serial: ATN Bangla Sangbad

Resnick and Porter, two small time bandits, hit a Chinese gang together and manage to get \$140,000. But Val Resnick needs 130 grand alone to buy himself back into his syndication. So, Val turns on Porter together with Porter's wife Lynn, who kills him with two shots in the back. But Porter survives and half a year later, he is back, seeking his share of \$70,000.

HBO: 7:30 pm Payback Crime/Thriller

/Drama, Mel Gibson, Maria Bello, Val

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS



To Die For

Graceland

Parasite

Payback

Forces

11:45 Babe: Pig In The

**STAR MOVIES** 

3000 Miles To

The Devil's Own

Head Over Heels

Cinema Secrets Iii

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Alaska

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AXN: 8:00 pm. Mission: Impossible. Action/Adventure/Thriller. Tom Cruise, Jon Voight. This DePalma film is a bigscreen remake of a prior American television show, modernized and updated with all of the eye-popping special effects that a Hollywood mega budget can buy. The show's Jim Phelps is the leader of the 'Impossible Missions Force.' In this 'episode,' Ethan Hunt is the point man for an IMF mission to catch a spy in the act of stealing information about the 'covers' of many other covert operatives.

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Arlington Road

Hollywood Ending

Pearl Harbor

Mars Attacks!

Rosary Murders

Run Lola Run

Jaws 3

Rush

Wife

Derailed

# PICK OF THE DAY



On MGM at 9:30 pm. Genre: Comedy/Musical/Romance Julia Roberts, Edward Norton, Drew Barrymore Holden and Skylar are in love with each other. Skylar lives with a large and extended family on Manhattan. Joe, a friend of her parents, who has a daughter, is alone again after yet another relationship. He flees to Venice, and meets Von, and makes her believe that he is the man of her dreams. Samnewali Khidki Brain Damage 6:30

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Khichdi

Jaaduu

11:30 Saara Akaash

STAR WORLD

Top Drive

Beautiful

12:30 Rendezvous With

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Vikraal Aur Gabraal

Gharwali Uparwali

Khullja Sim Sim

The Bold & The

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**GEOGRAPHIC** 

11:30 Earth Report 12:00 Earthpulse Evolution 1:30 Evolution 2:30 Vietnam's Unseen

War: Pictures Fm 3:30 Mission Wild 4:00 Return To The Wild 4:30 Ng Explorer

Rescue Dogs

Celebration Of Flight Friday Spotlight Pace Tourists: Passport To The Stars 2:30 Friday Spotlight Spaced Out : The

Extreme Science

Dogs With Jobs

Toyota World Of

Nulla Pambu The

Snake Wranglers The

Earth Report

Earthpulse

Good Snake

Poison!

11:30 Wild Asses

DISCOVERY

Truth Files

Dracula

Truth Or Scare

Discovery Wings A

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New Psychology Of Classic Discovery Sun Pharaoh 4:30 Science Frontiers Breaking Nature's

Extreme Engineering Subways In America Tiger Country Tigers Next Door

7:30 Discovery Showcase Poison! **Understanding Traffic** 9:30 Discover India Journey Into Ayurveda 10:30 Six Degrees/Sync Or

11:30 Sex Appeal The Science Of Sex STAR SPORTS

11:30 Sbk Superbike Sbk

Superbike Maga-

Champions Tour Golf 11:00 Cricket Awards Show Epl Saturday Premiership Saturday Preview(L) English Premier United (L)

Preview(L) **English Premier** 

Football League

Football League 2003/04 Leeds **England Leeds Unite** D Vs Manchester Premiership Saturday

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