

CULTURAL FEAST

Theatre

Play: Khudho Pashan
Troupe: Shubochan Natya Sangsod
Venue: Experimental Theatre Stage
Date: January 21 at 6:30 pm

9th International

Film Festival

Organiser: Rainbow Film Society

Venue: Central Public Library Auditorium

January 21: The Dreaming (Australia) at 11 am, Vigil (New Zealand) at 1 pm, Mars (Russia) at 3:30 pm, The Other Side (Mexico) at 5:30 pm, Maqbool (India) at 7:30 pm.

January 22: Bachelor (Bangladesh) at 7:30 pm

Venue: National Museum Auditorium

January 21: Warsaw (Poland) at 11 am, Silent Companion (Iran) at 1 pm, The Navigator (New Zealand) at 3:30 pm, Shyamol Chhaya (Bangladesh) at 5:30 pm, Herbert (India) at 7:30 pm

January 22: When the Right One Comes Along at 7:30 pm

Venue: Russian Centre of Science and Culture

January 21: Cometh the Cloud Cometh the Rain (Bangladesh) at 2 pm, Shadow Boxing (Russia) at 4:30 pm, Shonkhonad (Bangladesh) at 7 pm.

January 22: Duratta (Bangladesh) at 7 pm

Venue: Star Cineplex

January 21: The Boys (Australia) at 12:30 pm, Shadows of Time (India) at 2:15 pm, My Architect (USA) at 6:15 pm

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Photography

Exhibition

Title: A look through the crow's eyes
Organiser: Bengal Foundation
Venue: Gallery of Ward's n Pages, Cafe Imsomnia, 125, Gulshan
Venue Avenue, Gulshan-2
Date: December 25, 2005- January 27, 2006

Title: Photographs of Zainul Abedin

Organiser: Zainul Gallery
Date: December 29, 2005- January 18, 2006
Time: 12-06 pm

Glorifying humanism

National Baul council '06 held in Dhaka



Bauls of all ages perform at the Shaheed Minar premises

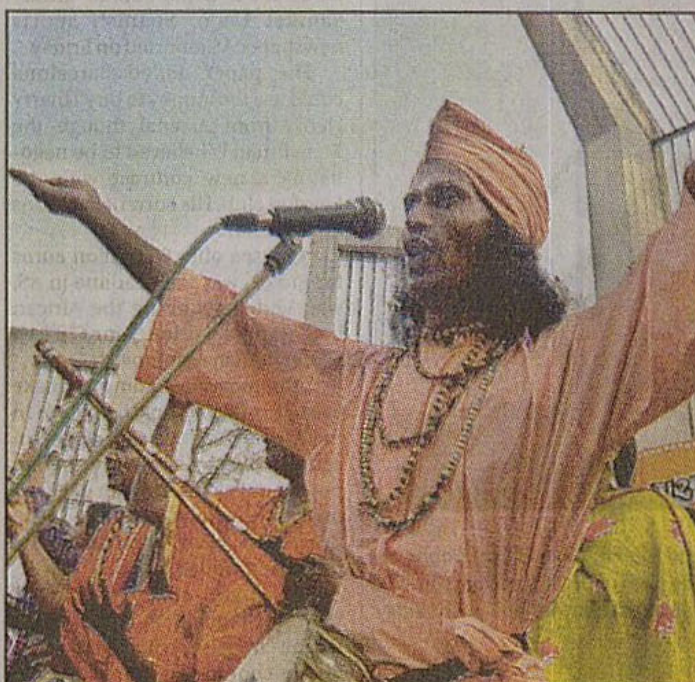


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ERSHAD KAMOL

MYSTICISM is necessary for the welfare of human beings as well as for ultimate freedom...

Tariqat-e Ahle Bayeet, an alliance of different organisations of Sufis and Vaisnavas arranged the three-day Baul council in which bards presented mystic songs...

which is totally different from that of the baulsingers who sing for the urban audience. The stentorian presentations of the bards like Abdul Latif Shah, Shekh Samir, Baul Nizamuddin, Billal Hossain, Jahangir Baul, Babul Khan and many others moved the city audience by the spirit of the lyrics and the melody of the mystic songs.

president of the Tariqat-e Ahle Bayeet said, "Inspired by the renowned Muslim scholar Sufi Sadaruddin Ahmed Chishti, we have initiated this programme to bring together the mystic bards of mazaars and akhras to a common platform. Our only aim is to glorify humanism. People from any religion or social caste can participate with us."

THE QUEEN OF COMEDY Remembering Lucille Ball

The older generation is familiar with the scatterbrained and zany characters played by the redoubtable redhead -- Lucille Désirée Ball (August 6, 1911 - April 26, 1989). Known better as Lucy, she was an American actress, comedian and star of I Love Lucy, along with other TV shows...



Lucille Ball

Lucille's other TV shows were The Lucy-Desi Comedy Hour (1957-1960), The Lucy Show (1962-1968), The Danny Kaye Show with Lucille Ball (1962), Mr and Mrs (1964)...

Carnegie's, and in 1933 was chosen to be a Goldwyn Girl and appear in the film Roman Scandals (1933). Then followed several small roles, including one in Top Hat (1935). Eventually, she received starring roles in B-pictures, and occasionally a good role in an A-picture...

Right to fly

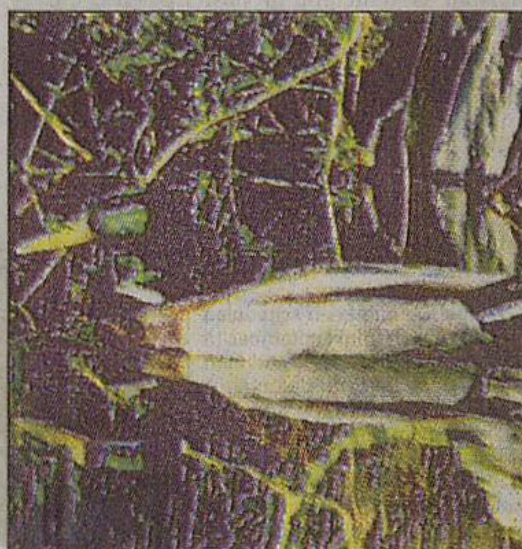
Photographs of birds in Bangladesh

FAYZA HAQ

The recent exhibit of coloured photographs, called Right to fly by Dr. Reza Khan, seen at the Photo Journalists' Association was admirable indeed. It brought together the pictures and habitats of the 700 species of birds that live in our country and visit it from time to time, specially in winter.

All these birds, he says, are, in one way or another, useful to us, as they eat insects and harmful animals such as rats and mice that ruin crops, fruits and gardens. These birds, he says, pollinate our flowers and scatter seeds of crops and fruits that are vital for us.

However, the number of entries and the detailed information about the different species surely required the knowledge and patience of an academic. The exhibit was a labour of love. And "love's labour"



Neelshir

was not lost. Birds of exotic and conventional lure have been depicted in the display. These include the jade and jet-black presentation of the Java peafowl, which has been locally extinct since the 1940s.

The Crimson-breasted Barbet, which is found both in towns and the countryside, has been shown as merging with the foliage and branches of a leaf-laden tree. The tiny bird, with its copper crest and rust-colored flecked head, the Avocet-Sandpiper with its curious upturned bill, the Ruddy Turnstone with its strange short legs and small, rounded brown and black body...

Viewers came away overwhelmed by the precision of the photographic details of the carefully collected images of our local birds.

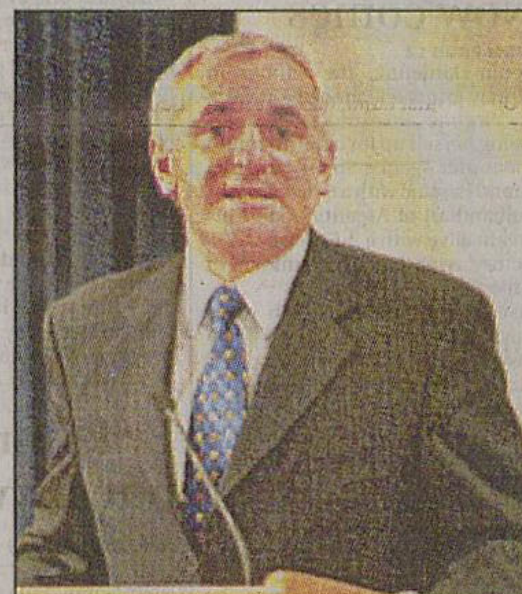


Green or Java Peafowl

Ireland willing to lure Bollywood

PALLAB BHATTACHARYA, New Delhi

The Bollywood bug has bitten Ireland. The Irish Prime Minister Bertie Ahern, on a week-long trade mission to India, has just given his Arts Minister a new job: "minister for Bollywood."



Irish Prime Minister Bertie Ahern

militancy-hit Jammu and Kashmir state, which had been highly popular as a shooting locale, for location-hunting, several Indian movies are set in foreign countries, especially for the song and dance sequences.

TV GUIDE

PICK OF THE DAY



The New Shobuj Opera On ATN Bangla at 08:30 pm Drama Serial Cast: Jayanto, Tamalika, Fazlur Rahman



The Kumars at No 42 On Star World at 03:30 pm Talk Show Cast: Sanjeev Bhaskar, Meera Syal

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ATN BANGLA
08:15 Shubhochhaha Nin
09:35 Open University
12:30 Shasthatathya
01:00 Nibedan
01:30 Cartoon
02:15 Sisimpur
02:40 Bangla Feature Film
06:10 Wrestling
07:00 Laukik Bangla
07:30 Drama Serial: Antoralek Anurag
08:40 Special Programme: Shapholyo Gantha
08:50 Drama
10:25 Teknaf Theke Tetulia
10:35 Talk Show: Kotbar Pithey Kotbar
09:30 Shongbad Potrey
09:45 Triloyi Matra
10:45 Na Bolia Kotba (Live)
12:30 Aj Dupurey
01:00 Ebong Cinemar Gaan
01:25 Public Reaction
02:40 Shaal Rong
03:10 Dhaka Guide
04:00 Bashundhara Amader Gaan
04:20 Hey Tarunoy
05:15 Janapader Khabor
05:30 Cholochochitra
06:00 Music Plus
06:30 Drama Serial: Dui Prohor
07:50 Drama Serial: Shawprikolok
08:20 Drama Serial: Ekush Er Porey
09:35 Hrodoyi Mati O

02:30 Islami O Bigyan
03:30 Bangla Feature Film
06:00 Ajker Bangladesh
06:30 Music Music
07:45 Japto Jibon
08:15 Tele-film: Chor Eshey Boi Porchhilo
10:40 Rtv Exclusive
10:45 Dance-drama: Chitrangada (Part 2)
08:30 Drama Serial: The New Shobuj Opera
09:00 Drama Serial: Lal Neel Beguni
09:30 Drama Serial: Ek Jonomey
10:35 Chyoyi Shusthya Thakun (live)
07:45 Shukhi Thakun Deho Money
02:00 Rtv Akhey

02:30 Blade
09:40 Laws Of Attraction
11:15 Harold & Kumar Go To White Castle
12:45 The Alarm
03:05 Stepmom
05:10 Spartan
07:00 Black Hawk Down
09:20 Sudden Death
11:15 Anatomy
12:55 Spartan
10:30 Dharam Aur Hum
11:25 Film Topper
11:30 Jai Ganga Mayya
01:00 Star Bestsellers
02:25 Film Topper

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