

Mingling visuals with songs

In conversation with Khalid M Mithu

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KHALID M Mithu began his career in music-video direction in 1995. He had brought in some artists from Rangamati, including people of Chakma, Marma, Tripura, Tongchonga and Lushai origin.

Mithu felt that the visuals should go into the depth of the lyrics of the songs. He then began on the soulful Lalon song, Khanchar bhithor ochin pakhi...



Scenes from music videos directed by Mithu

from their graves. Seven huge windows were used in the production at Savar.

"So far I've done more than 2000 music videos on Rabindra Sangeet, patriotic songs, Lalon Geeti, and other folk songs like Bhawaiya. I've done a lot of work on band music too.

"The last music video that I did was a patriotic song by Rafique, a new artist. The song questions why there is still turmoil in the country despite all the sacrifices made by people.



He added. Asked what work he had enjoyed doing best he said that it was the song by Lalon, which uses the phrase Khomo, khomo, oporadh (Forgive me, God). For this he used a 95-year-old model on the beach of Cox's Bazar.

wished to bring into his camera in future, Mithu said he plans a joint programme with Runa Laila and Sabina Yasmeen. Similarly, he wants a contrast of seasoned singers like Azam Khan with Bappa Majumdar, Habib and Prometheus Biplob. He also wants to do a video of singers of Harano Diner Gaan, with details of their background.

World Cup treat

SI Tutul's song glorifying football

Capitalising on the World Cup football fever, Twintees Entertainment has created an invigorating music video, entitled Koti Praner Swapno for ntv, says a press release. With evocative lyrics by AZ Tushar and post production by Avik, this music video has already been aired on ntv.

This music video zeroes into the major football superstars, great historic moments and interesting video clippings along with effective music and rich lyrics. The vocalists are SI Tutul, Tipu, Rajib and ZA Tushar. The music composition is by Buzz Club.



(L-R) Keyboardist Partho, lyricist and vocalist ZA Tushar, Tutul and guitarist Rajib



With a love story in the centre, Ashrafuzzaman's play Char Bhangar Char, produced by M Faruk Bhuiya, depicts the tumultuous lives of the people living on the char areas. Khairul Alam Shabuj, Nasim, Mim and others perform in the major roles of the play. BTV will air Char Bhangar Char on June 15 at 8:30 pm.



CULTURAL FEAST

Lalon Utshob
Venue: Plaza of National Art Gallery
Date: June 14-17
Time: 7:00pm



26th anniversary of Benuka Institute of Fine Arts
Venue: Bangladesh Shishu Academy
Date: June 19
Time: 5:45pm

Football Movie
Organiser: Goethe Institut Dhaka, German Club and German Embassy
Time: 5:30pm
Film: Soccer Rules
Date: June 16
Time: 5:00pm

ALL TIME GREATS

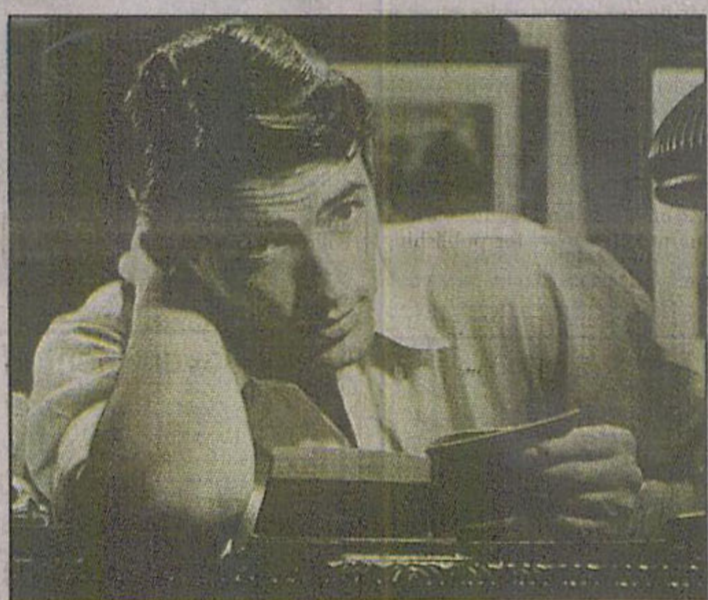
Gregory Peck: Story of a legendary hero

"I put everything I had into it--all my feelings and everything I'd learned in 46 years of living, about family life and fathers and children. And my feelings about racial justice and inequality and opportunity."

June 12 marked Hollywood titan Gregory Peck's third death anniversary. This is an opportune time to remember the actor who loomed large in filmdom--be it opposite Audrey Hepburn in Roman Holiday, his portrayal of General MacArthur in the film of the same name or the lawyer in To Kill a Mockingbird.

His first two Hollywood films were as Vladimir in Days of Glory and Father Francis Chisholm in The Keys of the Kingdom. His role as the taciturn Scottish missionary was an outstanding success and brought him his first Oscar nomination for Best Actor.

Peck won plaudits for essaying the roles of dignified statesmen and people with strong ethics: a magazine reporter confronting anti-Semitism in Gentleman's Agreement (a best picture Oscar winner), a military officer in The Guns of Navarone and the president of United States in Amazing



Grace and Chuck.

However, Peck was a versatile artist: He enacted the role of a conflict-ridden father in the original Cape Fear and a Nazi in The Boys from Brazil, the latter against Laurence Olivier's Nazi hunter. All told, Peck was nominated for five Academy Awards. Besides Mockingbird, he was also nominated for The Keys of the King-

dom, The Yearling, Gentleman's Agreement and Twelve o' clock High.

Peck had the last word on his film career: "They say the bad guys are more interesting to play but there is more to it than that--playing the good guys is more challenging because it's harder to make them interesting."

Compiled by Cultural Correspondent

Workshop on performing arts

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kishoreganj

The Kishoreganj Shilpakala Academy is abuzz with activity. In progress is a fortnight-long training programme on music, dance and drama which began on June 13.

Deputy Commissioner CM Yusuf inaugurated the training programme. The trainers from Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy in Dhaka were Amanul Huq (dance), Nazeda Farzana Moushumi (drama), Bakul Chakrabarty (classical music), Kirit Bhushan Odhikari and Delwar Huq (general music) attended the inaugural function. Sources said that 108 trainees would be trained in these disciplines.

Oshim Sirkar Badhon, general secretary of Kishoreganj Shilpakala Academy, presided over the inaugural function, while singers of Bangladesh Betar Binoy Kor and Mukti Chowdhury spoke on the occasion.

Nishabd: Amitabh's own 'Lolita'

After playing screen husband to Hema Malini, Jaya Pradha, Revathy and Sharmila Tagore, Amitabh Bachchan will now be seen romancing Jiah Khan, who is less than one-third his age. The film in question is Nishabd, directed by Ram Gopal Varma.

Eighteen-year old Jiah was initially supposed to debut with Anurag Basu's Tumsa Nahii Dekha.

Nishabd is supposedly Bollywood's version of Vladimir Nakobov's acclaimed novel Lolita, about a 60-year old married man's romance with an 18-year old girl. Varma's take, however, is different. He claims his film has nothing to do with the book.

The film was shot in Munnar, Kerala, over a month-long schedule. It is expected to release in September. It also stars Aftab Shivdasani, Revathy and Rukhsar.

Varma and Amitabh seem to have formed a close bond after doing films like Sarkar and Darna Zaroori Hai.

The director even gave Amitabh preference over Shah Rukh Khan, and shelved his Shahrukh-starrer



Newcomer Jiah and Amitabh in a scene from Nishabd. Time Machine to make time for Nishabd.

Source: Internet

Eminem to return to big screen in Western



Eminem

Eminem will return to the big screen in an updated version of the television Western Have Gun-Will Travel. Paramount Pictures has extended an 18-month option on the property to develop it as a vehicle for the Detroit rapper, Daily Variety reported Tuesday. The show debuted on CBS in 1957 and ran until 1963.

Eminem, whose real name is Marshall Mathers III, has committed to shoot the role and is apparently excited about his latest opportunity. The concept of the series will be updated to contemporary times and feature Eminem playing a bounty hunter.

The 33-year-old Grammy-winning rapper rose to stardom with best-selling CDs, deeply personal lyrics and a starring role in the 2002 film 8 Mile.

Eminem is also expected to be involved in producing the soundtrack of the new film. The original Have Gun-Will Travel starred Richard Boone, who earned Emmy nominations in 1959 and 1960 for his portrayal of gun-fighter-for-hire Paladin.

Source: AP

TV GUIDE

PICK OF THE DAY



Abar Elo Ashar
On Channel 1 at 07:50pm
Solo Musical Performance
by Rezwana Chowdhury Banya



FIFA World Cup 2006
On ESPN at 10:00pm
Group B: England Vs Trinidad and Tobago
Live from Nuremberg

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 8:55 am, 12:10 pm, 2:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 7:00 pm.
News (Bangla) at 6:00 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.

ATN BANGLA

News (Bangla) at 7:00 am, 10:00am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm, 11pm.
News (English) 8:20am, 7:00pm
Teletext of BTV News (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm.

TARA BANGLA

News Headlines (Bangla) at 5:30pm, 7:30pm.
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
09:05 Open University
10:00 Satellite Broadcast
12:15 Sangbad Polrer
12:30 Pata Theke
01:30 Shawsho Tathya
01:30 Selected Drama
02:15 Tathyo O Projukti
04:00 Moner Kotha
04:30 Campus
05:05 World Cup-2006 Highlights
06:10 Shoplyodingga
06:35 Jiboner Alo
07:05 Shilpo O Shahilyo
07:30 Agiya Cholir Pothey
08:35 Pratinid Bangladesh
08:45 Weekly Drama
10:25 Teknal Thekey
Telula
10:30 Apnar Shawsthya (Live)

ATN BANGLA

08:45 Mukto Shanglap
09:25 Drama Serial: Andharer Jatri
10:30 Arjundrishti
11:05 Drama Serial: Ferari Siron
11:35 Musical Programme
12:20 Bangla Feature Film
03:45 ATN Rannagher
04:20 Shundor Jiboner Jonyo
04:45 Daily World Cup
05:10 Amader Joto
09:00 Kotha
05:45 Islami Sawaal O Jobab (Live)
06:20 Frapok
08:00 Rock Link
08:30 Drama Serial: Ferari Siron
09:00 Drama Serial: Hortoner Bibi

09:30 Drama Serial: Mon Tui Badhahin
Char Deyalar Kabyo
CHANNEL 1
09:45 Public Reaction
09:50 Gramen Phone
09:55 Tritiyomatra
12:30 Agi Dupurey O Chitcoll
01:05 Tarokakolhon
01:05 Ebong Cinemar
01:30 Shongbadpotrey
01:45 Public Reaction
02:40 Special Programme
03:05 Hridoye Matt O Manusher Daak
04:05 Special Programme
05:30 X-Music Plus
06:00 Bishwa Cup Round-up
06:15 Amar Chhobi
07:50 Abar Elo Ashar
08:20 Shuty Badha Projukti
09:35 Drama Serial: Shompurno Ronggin
10:00 Drama Serial: Bhalobashay Boshobash

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08:35 Aker Shokal
09:00 Siddique Kabir's Recipe
09:30 Ki Kotha Tahar Shaithey
10:05 Chalochchitro Kotha
10:30 Dhakar Cinema
10:05 Muktangon
02:35 Drama Serial: Labonyoprobha

Rtv

09:00 Ontoronggo Alap
09:30 Swapno Diner Gaan
10:00 Aj Potrikey

Prithibir Pathey

10:45 Rtv Exclusive
10:50 Health Show: Heartbeat
09:00 Drama Serial: Kanoney Kushum Koli
09:30 The One
11:00 Goalmele Germany
10:00 Rambo III
12:00 Dinprocor
02:00 Billy
03:45 Real Women have Curves
10:30 Less Than Perfect
11:00 The Drew Carey Show
11:30 Seinfeld
07:15 Congo
09:30 Lara Croft Tome
Raider the Cradle of Life
11:45 The big preview: Mission Impossible III

CHANNEL 1

08:40 Shuprobhat Bangladesh
10:00 Cartoon
10:30 Bangla Feature Film
01:30 Expression
02:00 Keal Kotha
03:00 Goalmele Germany
03:30 Drama: Talkhonik
05:30 Small Ville
06:30 Saj Bela
06:30 Top News
07:00 Shombhabonar Bangladesh
08:15 Aniar Nayokera

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12:11 A Cinderella Story
02:15 Showtime
08:30 Around The World In 80 Days
10:55 Underclassman
12:55 Saw
03:00 Harold & Kumar: Go To White Castle
04:50 Smothered
06:45 Jhankaar Beats
09:30 Mumbai Matinee
STAR WORLD
08:30 Whose Line Is It Anyway?
09:00 The Drew Carey Show
09:30 The Oprah Winfrey Show
10:30 Beauty And The Geek
11:30 Beauty And The Geek
12:30 Chamed
01:30 The A Team
02:30 Oprah Winfrey Show
03:25 Sports Update
03:30 The Bold And The Beautiful
04:30 General Hospital
05:30 Angel
06:25 Sports Update
07:00 King Of Queens
07:30 Friends
08:30 The Simpsons
09:00 The Simple Life
09:30 Scrubs
10:00 Arrested Development
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10:30 Devils of the Deep
11:30 Nature Strikes Back
12:30 ShowReal Asia
01:30 Rolex Awards
02:00 Ecstasy
02:30 People & Places
03:30 Nat Geo Wild
04:00 Extinct
04:30 Nat Geo Junior
05:00 Extinct
05:30 Nat Geo Junior
06:00 Croc Chronicles
06:30 Dogsworld
07:30 Storm Stories
08:30 Megastructures
09:30 Frontlines Of Construction
10:30 Net Geo Investigates
11:30 Nat Geo Wild
ESPN
08:30 News Special
08:40 Super Centuries
09:00 FIFA World Cup Programming
10:20 Cricket Classics
11:20 News Special
11:30 Hitz
12:00 Nba Finals
12:30 FIFA World Cup
04:30 FIFA World Cup Programming
05:50 News Special
06:00 Germany 2006
06:50 FIFA World Cup (Ecuador Vs Costa Rica)
07:00 Germany 2006
07:15 Sportscenter
07:45 Germany 2006
10:50 FIFA World Cup (England Vs Trinidad and Tobago)
12:50 FIFA World Cup (Sweden Vs Paraguay)
STAR SPORTS
08:30 Tna Impact

09:30 World Rally Championship
10:30 Malaysian Field Hockey
12:30 Icc Cricket World
01:00 Pga Tour Highlights
02:00 Watersports Programming
03:00 Wimbledon Library Films
04:00 Cricket Classics
04:30 Tna Xplosion
05:30 U.S. Open Golf Championship
06:30 Sportscenter India
06:31 Tna Xplosion
07:30 Sportscenter India
07:31 Ace
11:00 U.S. Open Golf Championship
TEN SPORTS
09:00 Martini World Circuit
West Indies v India: 2nd Test Day 5 Highlights
12:00 Trans World Sports
12:30 FIA WTCC: Oschersleben, Germany
01:00 Martini World Circuit
World Cricket Classic: Bermuda
02:00 West Indies v India: 2nd Test Day 5 Highlights
04:00 Trans World Sports
05:00 WWE: After Burn
06:00 WWE: The Bottom Line
07:00 Trans World Sports
09:00 West Indies v India: 2nd Test Day 5 Highlights
10:00 The History of the Ryder Cup 2006
10:30 World of Athletics