

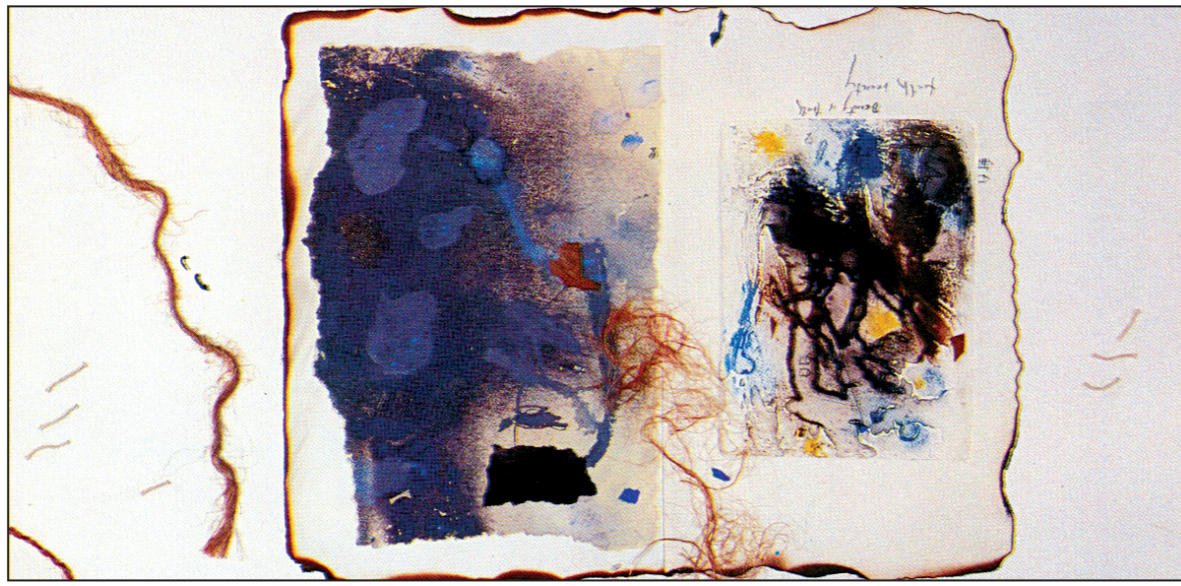
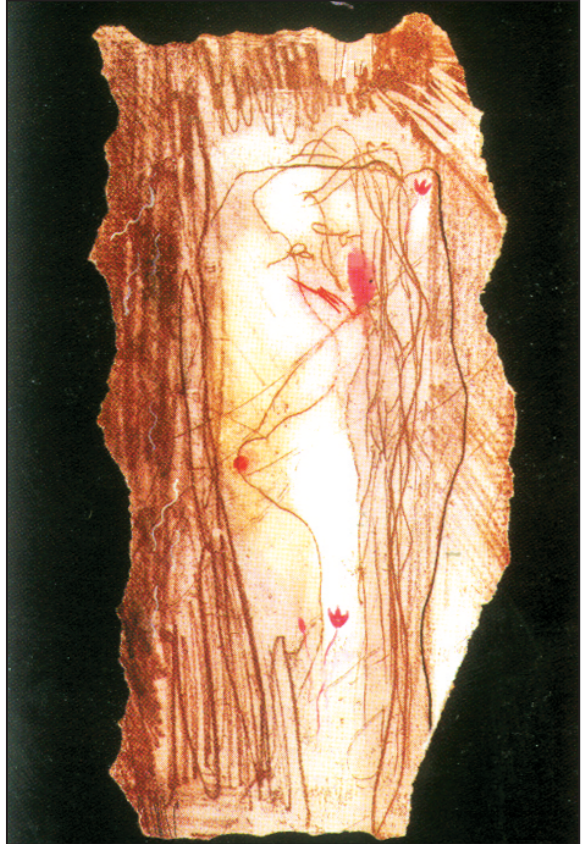
Exhibition

Laila's vision of truth and beauty

FAYZA HAQ

LAILA Sharmeen is holding a solo exhibit of her mixed media work at the Bengal Gallery. It is under the title 'Truth, beauty and me'.

This time her theme is based on the distilled knowledge that



Beauty is truth, truth beauty (Top) and Les Fleurs du mal

she gleans from her reading. She uses soothing blues, greens and purples and brings in haystacks, boats with female figures and flowers harking back to Bishnu Dey and Shudhchandra Nath.

Laila works with colours and space to present the turmoil around us as well as the arcadia that we have lost. She is preoccupied with Madame Sosostris, the socio-comic clairvoyant who tells our fortunes and hyacinth, the symbol of sexuality in Wasteland.

We see how the artist has shifted to philosophical moods.

She works with such titles such as Black rain, Death, Elegy while delving on art and morality and balancing between the themes of life and death.

An installation is also included in the exhibition. This consists of dust jackets of books on poets, philosophers, social commentators and creative writers.

Laila has had eight solo exhibitions and over 20 joint exhibits at home and overseas.

Folk music programme and discussion

Remembering Abdul Alim

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh Lok Sangeet Parishad (BLS) organised a musical evening to celebrate the 75th birth anniversary of the folk maestro Abdul Alim.

Abdul Alim possessed a powerful voice that immortalised Bangladeshi folk songs. His over-powering voice highlighted the essence of the 'songs of our soil' and mesmerised the audience.

five gold medals for his outstanding performance and contribution to music at the Pakistan Music conference in Lahore.

Speaking on Abdul Alim, noted folk singer and founding president of BLS Indra Mohon Rajbangshi said, "I went to China to attend a programme once and after I performed Aar koto kaal bhasbo ami dukher Shari gaiyya, our guide came running and said that he had heard this song before."

"Our young generation has never heard this wonderful voice. They cannot even realise what they are missing," added Indra.

Cultural personality Asad Chowdhury said "Once we all were going on a train and Abdul Alim was with us. On the way the people blocked the tracks and some were even lying on it. They wanted to catch a glimpse of the legendary singer."

Chief Guest of the event, chairman of Telelink, Syed Margub Morshed said, "Folk songs are inherent treasures of Bangladeshi culture. We should preserve it because without folk song our culture would be without roots."

The event was presided over by Akramul Islam, senior vice president of BLS.



Folk music performance at the event

CULTURAL FEAST

Exhibition Artist: Laila Sharmeen Title: Truth, Beauty and Me Venue: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts Date: July 19-28

Children's Art Competition and Exhibition Title: 4th International Children-Art Biennale Bangladesh-2006 Venue: Ziaur Rahman Auditorium, Bangladesh Shishu Academy Date: July 11-25 Time: 11:00am to 8:30pm

Contemporary Indian Art Artists: M F Hussain, Jogen Chowdhury, Sanat Kar, Niren Sen and others Title: Contemporary Indian Art Venue: Shilpangan, Road 3, House 13/A, Dhanmondi, Dhaka Date: July 14-28 Time: 10am to 1pm and 5pm to 8pm

Film Screening Organizer: Alamgir Kabir Chalachitra Kendro July 22: 5:00pm Chitra Nadir Pare 7:00pm Padma Nadir Majhi Venue: Alamgir Kabir Chalachitra Kendro, 62 Science Laboratory Road

Celluloid 'Nirontor' to be premiered on Channel i



Shabnoor and Ilias Kanchon in a scene from the film

Based on noted novelist Humayun Ahmed's work Janam Janam, the film Nirontor will be premiered on July 28 on Channel i. The film will also be released at Star Cineplex, Basundhara City on the same day, says a press release.

National award winning director Abu Sayeed directs the film. Popular artists Shabnoor, Ilias Kanchon, Litu Anam, Dolly Zahoor, Jayanto Chattyopadhyay, Amrui Islam, Shahidul Islam Sachchu and others are the major cast members of the film.

The story revolves around Tithi, a sex-worker. Brave, responsible, and witty - Tithi sacrifices her private life for the sake of her family. Her frustrations, failures, aspirations and love interests are depicted in the film.

Nirontor is produced by Impress Telefilm Ltd.

Michael Caine and Kristin Thomas in Mundhra's next film



Kristin Scott Thomas

Now that the film on Sonia Gandhi is on hold, thanks to the protests from Congress, Jagmohan Mundhra is planning his next project. Interestingly, the film will have British actors Michael Caine and Kristin Scott Thomas. Now he wants to rope in Amitabh Bachchan to play the lead role in the film.

The film titled Shoot On Sight is about a Muslim cop whose loyalty to the British Police force is questioned



Michael Caine

after the blasts in London subway. Bachchan is to play the role of the Muslim cop. Mundhra in fact says that he has written the lead role especially for Bachchan. Michael Caine will be playing the police commissioner and Kristin Scott Thomas will supposedly play Bachchan's wife.

Mundra adds that Caine and Thomas are very excited to work with Bachchan.

'The Incredible Hulk' returns with new director

'The Hulk' just turned 'Incredible' again and landed a new director. After a less-than-kind response to the first 'Hulk', you may be surprised to learn that a sequel is on the way, only this time it won't be directed by Ang Lee. Marvel Studios' president of production Kevin Feige announced that the director of 'The Transporter' movies and Jet Li's 'Unleashed', Louis Leterrier has been given the reins of the big green guy, showing they clearly want to go in a different direction with the classic hero.

ing, Reuters quotes Marvel Studios' president of production Kevin Feige as saying "His movies have humor and character depth set against fantastic action, and these aspects will be explored to the fullest extent in 'Hulk'."

Apparently the sequel to 'Hulk', a movie that made US \$132 million but cost \$150 million, will be a complete re-imagining of the hero, almost more of a remake than a continuation. The film will probably mark the return of the hero to his comic book roots, making it unlikely to have a place for any of the stars of the original film, including Eric Bana or Jennifer Connelly.

Source: Internet



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 8:55 am, 12:10 pm, 2:00 pm, 3:00 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 News (Bangla) at 7:15 am, 9:00am, 2:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:00pm, 10:30pm, 12:15 am. Telecast of BTV news (Bangla and English) at 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. Telecast of BTV News (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm. Latest News (Bangla) at 9:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:00 am, 1:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 4:00pm, 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm. ntv News Headlines (Bangla) at 10:00 am, 12:00 am, 6:15 pm, 9:30 pm. News (Bangla) 7:30 am, 2:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:30 pm, 10:30 pm. Telecast 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 Shagbad Potrer Pata Thekey Shawastho Tatthya 12:30 Nibedon 01:00 Cartoon 01:30 Sisimpur 02:15 Bangla Feature Film 02:40 English Debate 05:05 Shato Phul Phutte Dao 07:00 Ananda Ayuujon 08:40 Meghe Dhaka Surja 08:50 Teknaf thekey Tetulia 10:25 Public Reaction 09:45 Grameenphone 09:50 Tritiyo Matra 11:05 Grameenphone Na Bola Kotha 11:30 Mukto Bazar 12:30 Aj Dupurey O Citycell Tarokakothon (Live) 01:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan 01:30 Shagbadpotrey Bangladesh 01:45 Public Reaction 02:40 Shath Rong 03:20 Dhaka Guide 03:30 Banglalink Money Talk 04:05 Educational Programme 04:25 Shothyer Shondhane 06:00 Music Plus

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PICK OF THE DAY R Music On Rtv at 08:50pm Musical Programme Host: Ayub Bachchu 09:30 Chokh Maley Dekhi 10:00 Shoptaho Sheshey 10:30 Taka Ana Pai 11:15 Drama: Abhutopurbo 12:30 Tele Film: Jato Dure Jao Pher Dhekha Hobe 03:30 Drama Serial: Taxi Driver 02:00 Aj Potrikai 02:30 Islamic Programme 03:40 Bangla Feature Film 06:00 Ajker Bangladesh 06:35 Talk Show 06:40 Wide Angle 08:00 Gopshop 08:50 R Music 08:15 Baker Pathey 09:00 Shondhi Khoney 09:30 Drama Serial: Dui Duguney Panch 09:30 Sa Sa Dhin Tai 10:00 Drama Serial: Biyer Golpo 10:30 Drama: Shuvo 02:00 Aj Potrikai 02:30 Islamic Programme 03:40 Bangla Feature Film 06:00 Ajker Bangladesh 06:35 Talk Show 06:40 Wide Angle 08:00 Gopshop 08:50 R Music 08:15 Baker Pathey 09:00 Shondhi Khoney

Dumb and Dumberer On HBO at 09:30pm Genre: Comedy Starring: Eric Christian Olsen, Derek Richardson 09:30 Shuvo Shokol 04:30 Amader Atithi 05:00 Jibondhara 09:00 Ichchhey Ghuri 09:30 Drama Serial: Sheidin Chaitro Mash 06:30 Diner Sheshey 08:05 Drama Serial: Krishno Pokkho 10:00 Talk Show: Shomoy Ashomoy 10:30 Drama Serial: Projapati Din 11:00 Music Rhythm 11:30 Shath Shodai 12:00 Game Show 02:30 Drama Serial: Gouro Chondrika 03:00 Desher Pothey 03:30 Cine Bit Shada Kalo 04:00 Shath Shoter 04:30 Amader Atithi 05:00 Jibondhara 05:30 Ebong Classer Bairey 06:30 Diner Sheshey 08:05 Drama Serial: Krishno Pokkho 04:00 Shath Shoter 04:30 Amader Atithi 05:00 Jibondhara 05:30 Ebong Classer Bairey 06:30 Diner Sheshey 08:05 Drama Serial: Krishno Pokkho 10:00 Talk Show: Shomoy Ashomoy 10:30 Drama Serial: Projapati Din 11:00 Music Rhythm 11:30 Shath Shodai 12:00 Game Show 02:30 Drama Serial: Gouro Chondrika 03:00 Desher Pothey 03:30 Cine Bit Shada Kalo

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NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC 08:00 WWS 08:30 Wild 09:30 Untamed 10:30 Dogs With Jobs 11:00 Dogs With Jobs 12:00 Nat Geo Junior 12:30 Seconds from Disaster 01:30 Air Crash Investigation 02:30 Naked Science 03:30 Is It Real? 05:30 Megastructures 06:30 Wild Safari 07:30 Chimps on the Move 10:30 Megacities 11:30 Nat Geo Investigates STAR SPORTS 09:30 Pride Fc 10:30 Tna Impact 11:30 Icc Cricket World 12:00 The Golf Club 12:30 Team India Programming 02:00 Team India Programming 03:30 Football Asia 04:00 Formula One Highlights 05:30 Cricket Classics 06:00 Moto Gp Highlights 07:00 Australia Tour Of England 08:30 Australia Tour Of England 10:00 Australia Tour Of England

11:30 Australia Tour Of England ESPN 08:00 Major League Baseball Friday 11:00 Sportscenter Week In Review 11:30 Hitz 12:00 Cricket Classics 12:30 Cricket Classics 01:30 Nba Anthology 02:00 Tour De France 02:30 The Open Championships 01:00 The Open Championships TEN SPORTS 08:30 Gamer TV 09:00 NFL Superbowl 12:30 Tour De France: Stage 18 01:00 Winning Post 01:30 Rally World 03:30 Champions Trophy(Womens): 3rd v. 4th 04:30 Champions Trophy(Womens): 1st v. 2nd 05:00 Indian Golf Show 06:00 WWE: Experience 09:45 Tour De France: Stage 19 11:45 Sahara Hockey Champ Trophy (MEN) Spain v Ger 02:00 Sahara Hockey Champ Trophy (MEN): Neth v Arg