

CULTURAL FEAST

Crafts and Ceramics Exhibition

Title: Crafts and Ceramics Exhibition by Young Artists
 Venue: Dots Contemporary Art Centre, 191/A, Haque Tower, Tejgaon-Gulshan Link Road, Tejgaon
 Date: October 15 to November 9
 Time: 11:00 am to 8:00 pm

Album Launch

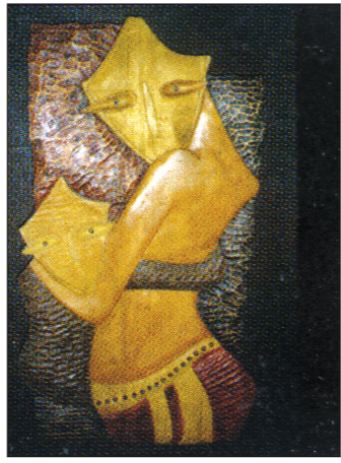
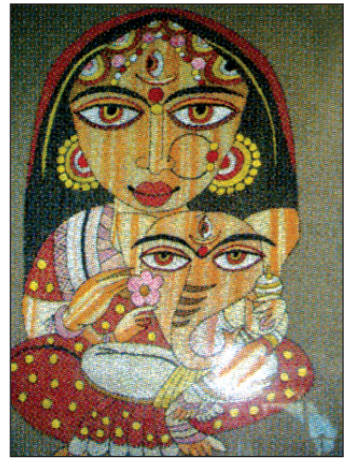
Title: Gaaney Esho Praner Manush
 Organiser: Bengal Foundation
 Date: November 5 and 6
 Artistes: Auditi Mohsin, Mohiuzzaman Chowdhury, Jannat e Ferdous, Khairul Anam Shakil
 Venue: Bengal Shipalay
 Time: 7:00 pm

Film Screening

Organiser: The High Commission of India in Dhaka
 November 6 6:00pm Josh
 Venue: Indian Cultural Centre, House 25, Road 96, Gulshan-2
 Complementary passes can be collected from the High Commission of India, House 2 Road 142 Gulshan 1 & the Indian Cultural Centre House 25 Road 96, Gulshan 2

A medley of craftsmanship

Exhibition at Dots Art Gallery



(L-R) Devota (applique), Maa o Shishu (wood) and A New Bride (tapestry)

MAHMUDA AFROZ

DOTS Contemporary Art Centre has organised a crafts and ceramics exhibition from October 15-November 9 at its centre on the Tejgaon-Gulshan link road. The exhibition showcases creations by the students of the Institute of Fine Art, Dhaka University. Professor Abdus Shakoor Shah, director, Institute of Fine Arts, University of Dhaka was present as the chief guest at the inaugural session.

Over 60 different works of wood, ceramics, mirror, tapestry, applique, mixed media, terracotta, and different kinds of metal adorn the walls of the gallery. One of the major attractions is Jugalbandi Adhikari's set of 'four women' (mixed) titled *Women 1, Women 2* and so on. The artist mixes wood, metal and different coloured metallic wires to depict both happy and sad women.

Jyotirmay Biswas's *Shib* (metal) is

another stunner. On a complete canvas of metal there are all the elements one would associate with the Lord Shiva- snakes, temples, weapons, and smaller gods. These

are depicted in the background as if floating all around him while he is at the centre. Jyotirmay's style of blending the different colours is noteworthy.



(L-R) Nakshi Katha (applique), Mask (wood) and Gontobbo

Banglar Oitijo (Bengal's heritage) by Bijan Barai Shanto is done with immaculate calculation and care. Appearing as an applique work, in reality it is not. *Ma o Shishu* and *Dampati* by Shumona Haq Mitu give a clear and innocent aura. Artistically beautiful, they portray the simplicity of love between mother and child and a couple.

Study by Ananna Dey is a piece one would have to go and see for himself to believe how admirably the artist has blended thousands of seemingly insignificant pieces of broken terracotta on a canvas to illustrate a scene of students studying with their teacher under trees.

Though there are some overly simplistic pieces as well as flashy one's there is something for everyone to choose from. Most of the items are for sale and range between Taka 500 for simple wooden or terracotta masks to Taka 30,000 for more intricate pieces of art.

TV Watch

New talk show 'Ekhoni Shomoy' on Channel i



The talk show is hosted by Farzana Brownia

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Ekhoni Shomoy, a talk show featuring renowned personalities from the cultural, sport and journalistic worlds, will be aired tonight at 9:35pm.

In the course of the programme, the participants from different sectors will share their experiences related to current issues. The first three episodes of the show will feature noted journalist Rahat Khan, chief executive officer Citi Bank N/A Mamun Rashid, veteran writer Imdadul Haque Milon, Anisul Huque, sports star Khaled Mahmud Shujon, fashion designer Mahin Khan, popular actress Shomi Kaiser, noted singers Shakila Zafar, Montaz, Hyder Ali and Ferdous Wahid, barrister Tania Amir, TV reporter Munni Shaha, Joy E Mamun and others. The show is hosted by Farzana Brownia and directed by Raju Alim.

Around the World

Pollock painting reportedly fetches highest price

American painter Jackson Pollock's *No 5, 1948* was sold for US \$140 million last Thursday, making it the most expensive painting so far.

David Geffen, the entertainment mogul and co-owner of the movie company Dreamworks SKG, sold the painting to David Martinez, a Mexican-born financier.

Before this, Gustave Klimt's 1907 portrait *Adèle Bloch-Bauer I* fetched a price of US \$135 million.

The Pollock sale is still shrouded in secrecy with the exact amount for the painting not being confirmed by both parties.

Number 5, 1948 is 4 feet by 8 feet and is one of the first drip paintings by the late American genius.

In his revolutionary technique of painting, Pollock used his paintbrush as a tool to drip paint on large canvases where the brush never touched the surface. The technique earned him the sobriquet -- 'Jack the Dripper'.

Pollock was born in 1912 and suffered from depression and alcoholism. He died in a car crash at the age of 44. *Pollock*, a film on the artist's life, was made in 2000. Oscar nominee Ed Harris played the role of Pollock in the film.



No 5, 1948 by Pollock

Latin Grammy night belongs to Shakira

Shakira dominated the seventh Latin Grammy Awards held in New York last Thursday.

Her four awards included 'album of the year' and 'best female pop vocal album' for *Fijacion Oral Vol 1* and song and record of the year for *La Tortura*, her smoldering duet with Alejandro Sanz.

During one of her acceptance speeches, Shakira spoke out in support of illegal immigrants in US. "I hope soon they will receive the recognition they deserve from the government," she said, according to the *Associated Press*.

Other multiple winners included the Puerto Rican reggaeton group Calle 13, whose three prizes included 'best new act', and Argentine rockstar Gustavo Cerati, who won for 'best rock song' for *Crimen* and 'best rock vocal album' for *Ahi Vamos*.

The best tango album winner was the self-titled disc by Cafe de los Maestros, whose Argentine producer, Gustavo Santaolalla, won an Oscar this year for his score for *Brokeback Mountain*. His latest film score is for the Brad Pitt movie *Babel*.

Performers at the event included Ricky Martin, Andrea Bocelli and Shakira.

Source: Internet



Shakira with her Grammys

fan mail!

For this month's fan mail we turn the spotlight on popular music diva Runa Laila. Readers are invited to send in questions by November 20, with their full name, address/email at:

fan mail
 Culture Page
 19 Karwan Bazar
 The Daily Star
 Dhaka 1215
 or
 culture@thedailystar.net and
 culture_dailystar@yahoo.com

Please note that the questions to be printed will be selected by *The Daily Star*.



Festival

'Kathin Chibar Dan Utsab' ends

SHANTIMOY CHAKMA, Rangamati

The two-day *Kathin Chibar Dan Utsab*, a major religious festival of the Buddhist community ended at the compound of Rangamati Rajban Vihar amidst religious fervor and great enthusiasm in Rangamati hill town last Friday.

Every year Buddhist and non-Buddhist devotees throng the Rajban Vihar on the occasion. Rajban Vihar Upasak Upasika Parishad organised the *Kathin Chibar Dan Utsab*.

Buddhists from the three hill districts of Bandarban, Rangamati and Khagrachhari took part in the celebration. Moreover, tourists from all over the country and from overseas turned up in large numbers to enjoy the grand religious festival.

On the first day of the festival, Pragyabangsa Mohasthabir, head disciple of the chief monk (Sadhana Nanda Mohasthabir) of Rajban Vihar inaugurated the *Bain Ghar* (weaving house). Chakma King Barrister Debashish Roy and his mother Aroti Roy inaugurated the spinning wheels to be used to weave the clothing material for the monks.

Shrimoth Pragyabangsa Mohasthabir delivered a speech.



Devotees participate in chibar weaving

Pragyabangsa advised devotees to follow the *Chaturcharya Sattya* (four noble truths) that could alleviate the suffering of humans. He said following Lord Buddha's preaching can help the disciples attain 'Nirvana'. He urged the community to avoid an attitude of discrimination and malice and turn their spiritual energy to leading a peaceful life.

He also urged devotees to build mutual trust between Bengali and

hill people so to maintain sustainable peace in the region.

On the concluding day, the main programmes featured sewing of *chibar* (the clothing material used by Buddhist monks), *Buddha puja* (worship), *Sangadan* (collective donation), handing over the *chibar*, religious speeches and *pradip puja* (lighting of candles).

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, 9:00 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:15 am.
 Telecast of BTV news (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm.
ATN BANGLA
 News (Bangla) at 7:00 am, 10:00 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm, 11 pm.
 News (English) 8:20 am, 7:00 pm.
 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, 4:00 pm, 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 5:30 pm, 7:30 pm.
 Tara News (Bangla) at 8:30 pm, 11:30 pm.
 Tara News (Bangladesh) (Bangla) at 9:30 pm.
BBC WORLD
 Every hour on the hour

BTV
 08:30 Open University
 11:15 Bangla Feature Film
 12:05 *Shangbadpotrer*
 Pata Theke
 12:30 *Maa O Shishur*
 Kotha
 01:00 *Bansuri*
 01:30 *Mati O Manush*
 02:15 Children Programme
 02:40 ICC Champions Trophy 2006
 10:25 *Tekhnaf Theke*
 Tetulia
CHANNEL-i
 08:05 Tagore Song
 08:30 *Shokaler Gaan*
 09:45 Public Reaction
 09:50 *Tritiomatra*
 11:05 Tele Prescription
 11:30 *Hridoye Mati O Manush*
 12:30 *Aj Dupure O Citycell*
 Taroka Kathan
 01:05 *Ebong Cinemar*
 Gaan
 01:30 *Shangbadpotrer*
 Bangladesh
 01:45 Public Reaction
 04:05 *Amader Gaan*
 04:25 *Sa Re Ga Ma*
 05:30 *Fot Business Talk*
 06:00 Music Plus
 06:35 Talk Show
 07:50 Mega Serial:
Bhober Haat
 09:35 *Jibon Jekhaney*
 Jemon

10:00 Mega Serial: *Jog Biog*
ATN BANGLA
 10:30 *Onnodrishti*
 11:05 *Hortoner Bibi*
 11:35 *Ek Jonomey*
 12:15 *Smitir Monykothay*
 01:30 *Shormali Shada Kalo*
 02:30 Tele Film: *Bhalo Bashar Boshot Bari*
 05:10 Musical Programme
 06:25 *Three Stooges*
 08:00 Drama Serial: *Khola Duar*
 08:30 Mega Serial: *The New Sobuj Opera*
 09:00 Drama Serial: *Nire Tar Nil Dheu*
 09:30 Drama Serial: *Pichhutan*
 10:40 *Shath Din*
ntv
 10:05 Animal Kingdom
 10:30 *Natoker Gaan*
 11:00 *Mon Amar Shondhan Kori*
 11:30 Talk Show: *Ki Kotha Tahar Shatey*
 12:05 World of Arts
 01:05 *Muktangan*
 02:35 Drama Serial: *Megh Bolechhe Jabo Jabo*
 03:15 Drama
 04:45 *Apon Aloy*
 05:10 *Din Dorpon*
 06:20 *Shubho Shondha*
 08:20 *Ramizer Aaina*
 09:00 *Closeup 1 Tomakei*

PICK OF THE DAY

ICC Champions Trophy 2006
 On BTV at 02:40pm
 Australia takes on West Indies in the final
 Live from Brabourne Stadium, Mumbai

Khujchhey Bangladesh
 11:25 *Din Darpan*
Rtv
 10:30 R Music
 12:00 Talk Show: *Prasongik*
 01:00 *Aj Potrikay*
 02:30 *Shoto Proshno*
 03:30 Drama Serial: *Modhyoborti*
 04:00 *Aktel Gopshop*
 05:10 *KacherJanala Durer Janala*
 05:30 *Gaan Ar Gaan*
 06:00 *Ajker Bangladesh*
 06:35 *Bishwa Jurey*
 08:00 Drama Serial: *Black and White*
 08:50 *Wide Angle*
 09:20 *Jugal Bondi*
 10:45 Rtv Exclusive
CHANNEL 1
 08:40 *Shuprobhat*
 Bangladesh
 09:30 *Chokh Mele Dekhi*
 10:00 Cartoon
 10:30 *Bangla Feature Film*
 02:00 *Bishwa Jurey Shath Din*
 03:30 *Surela Lagan*
 04:30 Drama Serial: *Ghor*
 05:15 *Phera*
 06:10 *Shaj Bela*
 06:45 *Jonotar Ishthir*
 07:00 *Padmo Raag*
 08:15 Drama
 09:30 One Star Game Show
BANGLAVISION
 08:40 *Shubho Shokal*
 09:00 Cartoon
 09:30 Drama Serial: *Krishno Pokho*
 02:30 *Ichhey Puron Express*
 03:30 *Shukher Kata*
 04:30 Drama Serial: *Projapati Din*
 05:00 *Shamney Nirbachon*
 06:30 *Diner Sheshey*
 08:10 Drama Serial: *Magno Chaitonney Shish*
 09:20 *Apnar Agami*
 09:50 Drama Serial: *Uro Chithi*
SONY
 09:30 Chart Busters Movie Based
 10:00 Music Mantra Music
 10:30 Music Beats Music
 11:00 *Cadburys Bournvita Quiz*
 11:30 Current Bollywood Others

12:00 *Big Boss Kick off*
 Reality Based
 01:00 *Big Boss Contd.*
 01:30 *Contd. Contd.*
 02:00 *Boogie Woogie*
 Dance
 02:30 *Contd. Contd.*
 03:00 *Sunday Matinee - Taal Movie*
 06:30 *Music Beats Music*
 07:00 *Music Mantra Music*
 07:30 *Chartbusters Movie*
 Based
 08:00 *Making of Vivaah - part 1*
 Movie Based
 08:30 *Jhalak Dikhhla Jaa - Gala 7*
 Dance
 10:00 *Jhalak Dikhhla Jaa Grand Finale*
 Contd.
 12:00 *Music Beats Contd.*
STAR PLUS
 09:30 *Krishna Kathaiyen*
 10:30 *Instant Khichdi*
 11:30 *GreatIndian Laughter Challenge 2*
 12:30 *Ji Mantriji*
 01:00 *Hulchul*
 04:30 *Musafir Hoon Yaaron*
 05:30 *Prithviraj Chauhan*
 10:00 *Baa Bahoo Aur baby*
 10:30 *Thodi Si Zameen*
 Thoda Sa Aasma
 11:00 *Kaboom*
STAR MOVIES
 09:40 *Lizzie Mcquire* Movie,

The
 11:15 *Total Recall*
 01:15 *Avp: Alien Vs. Predator*
 03:00 *Coyote Ugly*
 04:50 *King Arthur*
 07:00 *Sahara*
 09:05 *First Daughter*
 10:55 *In Enemy Hands*
STAR WORLD
 09:30 *Hogan's Heroes*
 10:00 *Get Smart*
 10:30 *The Bold And The Beautiful*
 12:30 *Criminal Minds*
 01:30 *Law & Order: S.V.U.*
 02:30 *One Tree Hill*
 03:30 *Nois*
 04:30 *Criss Angel Mindfreak*
 05:30 *Hollywood Shootouts*
 06:30 *Baywatch Hawaii*
 07:00 *The Simpsons*
 08:00 *Parkinson*
 09:00 *Oprah Winfrey Show*
 10:00 *Rendezvous With Simi Garewal*
 10:30 *Criminal Minds*
 11:00 *Law & Order: S.V.U.*
NATIONAL
GEOGRAPHIC
 10:30 *Serious Amazon*
 11:00 *Dogs With Jobs*
 11:30 *Nat Geo Junior*
 12:30 *Expeditions to the Edge*
 01:30 *Cheating Death*
 02:30 *Wild! Life Adventure*
 03:30 *The Living Edens*

04:30 *Sleeping Beauties*
 05:30 *Inside the Pentagon*
 06:30 *Totally Wild*
 07:30 *Untamed*
 08:30 *Nat Geo Utsav*
 09:30 *NG Investigates*
 Terrorism
 Sunday Night Special
DISCOVERY CHANNEL
 09:30 *Urgan, Child Of The Himalayas*
 10:30 *Feast India*
 11:00 *On The Horizon*
 11:30 *Great Moghuls*
 12:00 *Discovery Week*
 12:30 *Life In The Undergrowth*
 01:30 *Raw Nature, Raw Weapons*
 02:30 *Genghis Khan*
 03:30 *Pompeii - The Last Day*
 04:30 *Life On The Vertical*
 05:30 *Finest Hotels In The World*
 06:30 *Beyond Tomorrow*
 07:30 *Raw Nature*
 08:30 *Egypt's New Tomb Revealed*
 09:30 *King Tut's Mystery Tomb Opened*
 10:00 *Meet The Real Penguins*
 11:30 *Rafting Alaska's Wildest Rivers*