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Solo Art Exhibition

Title: Down Memory Lane Artist: Rafigun Nabi Venue: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, Bengal Shilpalaya, House no-275/F Road no-27 (Old), Dhanmondi Date: November 20-December 3 Time: 12:00pm-8:00pm

Chobi Mela IV

Theme: "Boundaries" Duration: November 9-30

Exhibition Venues: Nationa Museum, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy, Bengal Gallery, British Council, Alliance Française, Goethe Institut. Russian Centre for Science and Cultural and Drik

Moving Exhibition

(on rickshaw vans) Venues: Mirpur to Mohammadpur. Bahadur Shah Park, Sadarghat to

Workshops and portfolio reviews Venues: Pathshala-South Asian Institute of Photography, The British Council and Drik

Film Screening

Organiser: Indian Cultural Centre November 20

6:00 pm Chupke Chupke (Hindi) November 24

6:00 pm Aradhana (Bangla) November 27

6:00 pm Aradhana (Hindi) Venue: House no-25, Road no-96,



Photography Exhibition

Title: Dilapidated Architecture of

Photographer: Babu Ahmed Organiser: University of Asia Pacific

& Traditional Photo Gallery Venue: University of Asia Pacific, H-

51, R-4/A, Dhanmondi Date: November 8-20 Time: 10:00am-6:00pm

Organiser: Dhaka Alokchitro Shobha Venue: Dots Contemporary Art Centre, 191/A, Haque Tower, Tejgaon-Gulshan Link Road, Tejgaon Date: November 19-22 Time: 11:00am-8:00pm

A day for underprivileged children

Citigroup observes Global Community Day





Clockwise (from Top-left): Farida Parveen, Ilias Kanchan and Dilara Zaman with the young ones at the event



MAHMUDA AFROZ

One of the world's leading financial institution Citigroup organised an event on Global Community Day (November 18) at the Sports and Community Club in old DOHS, Banani. The daylong programme with around 150 underprivileged children was inaugurated by Louis-Georges Arsenault, UNICEF Repre-

sentative to Bangladesh. Khondoker Ibrahim Khalid, Director of Kochi Kanchar Mela was the chief guest of the concluding part of the event. Turkish Ambassador to Bangladesh Ferit Ergin and Mission Director of USAID Bangladesh. Gene George were also present.

Though the programme was organised for underprivileged children, the Citigroup family mem-

bers participated whole-heartedly. Showing their support for the initiative, media personalities were also spotted donning the volunteers' outfit and seemed to enjoy themselves. Dilara Zaman, Ilias Kanchan, Rezwana Choudhury Bonna, Sadya Afreen Mallick, Farida Parveen, Tony Dayes and Deepa Khandokar were present among others. Young ones got a chance to

showcase their talent during the

cultural programme where everyone was given a chance to sing for half a minute. The celebrity judges were Dilara Zaman, Rezwana Choudhury Bonna and Farida Parveen. In Parveen's words, "These children do not have permanent addressses. neither do they get the chance to show their talents. Some of them are gifted. It is a great initiative on Citigroup's part to try and blend them in the mainstream society." Amidst loud clapping and cheering the children sung songs like Bhalo achhi bhalo theko, Ektara tui desher kotha, Jonmo amar dhonno holo, Amader deshta shopno puri, Hairey amar

mon matano desh and more. There

were some genuine talents who wrote and composed their own

It was a great experience for the children who are typically subject to hardship in a bid to be fit enough to survive. Says Shumona from Podokhkhep Manobik Kendra, "We never get to play in beautiful, green fields. Today we feel just like any other children and are enjoying ourselves." Adds Tania from the same institution, "I loved the games. The chocolate race and sack race were especially fun. Besides that the best part is we got to see some of our favourite stars.

"Citigroup is committed to mobilising the enthusiasm and talents of our employees for community service," said Charles Prince. Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Citigroup. Citigroup's 'Global Community Day' initiative is a company wide effort, with tens and thousands of volunteers working in Asia Pacific, Latin America, Europe, the Middle East, Africa and North America." said

Event

German-Bangla poetry recitation festival begins

ERSHAD KAMOL

'Poetry for Peace' -- with this slogan a three-day German-Bangla poetry recitation festival began on November 17 at Goethe-Institut, Dhaka. Besides works by prominent Bangali poets such as Rabindranath Tagore, poetry by legendary German romantic poets like Johann Christoph Friedrich Von Schiller, Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe, Heinrich Heine, Bertolt Brecht and others are included in the festival.

The programme featured poems that focus on the revolution against injustice as well as darker sides of human nature. which is the essence of the 'German Romantics'.

Several recitation groups like Meghdut, Abritti Academy, Muktadhara Sanskriti Charcha Kendra, Proma and Goethe-Institut, Dhaka, are participants in the festival, which was inaugurated by Herr Frank Meyke, the German ambassador to Bangladesh. Torsten Oertel, director of Goethe-Institut, Dhaka, and Mosud Mannan, chief organiser of Meghdut were the other discussants at the opening cere-

The opening event began with the recitation of Heinrich Heine's poetry by the German-language students and employees of Goethe Institut. Besides the original poems, they also presented Bangla translation of Heine's

After Goethe, Heine (1797 1856) is the most remarkable German poet who is well recognised for his bittersweet lyrics. He also wrote in many forms, including sonnets, odes, ballads and biting satires. His poetry modulates continually between a romantic-conservative and a radical, satiric stress. Politics



Torsten Oertel, director Goethe-Institut, Dhaka speaks at the inauguration, Herr Frank Meyke, German ambassador (R) was the chief guest at the

and personal mood made him a commuter in Europe.

After the recitals, biography of Johann Wolfgang von Goethe (1749-1832) -- the leading German poet, novelist, playwright, courtier, natural philosopher, and one of the greatest figures in Western literature -- was screened. His most famous work is the poetic drama in two parts, Faust.

The final event of the evening was the recital presentation by Muktadhara Sangskriti Charcha Kendra. The group performed a compilation of romantic poetry by leading Bangla and German

Earlier in the discussion programme, German Ambassador Herr Frank Meyke said, "Usually people talk about economical aspects of the bilateral agreement between Bangladesh and

Germany. But, least endeavour is taken regarding the cultural exchange, which is also very important for better understanding between the two nations. I believe this poetry festival can enhance the cultural understanding that already exists between Germany and Bangladesh.'

To justify the theme of the festival, Mosud Mannan said, "In light of the current world scenario, we have taken up the theme 'Poetry for Peace' to reflect our objective to promote tolerance and understanding."

Torsten Oertel said, "We can exchange views of the great poets of the two nations through arrangements like these." Goethe-Institut and Meghdut,

a recitation group, jointly organised the event. This is the second arrangement of its kind.

Biggest children's painting festival in Asia coming up

MIGFACA selection begins

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Selection process of Mitsubishi Impression Gallery Festival of Asian Children's Art (MIGFACA) has begun. Since 1990 the department of Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy (BSA) has been selecting eight Enikkis (Japanese for 'illustrated diaries') of Bangladeshi Children from different corners of the country and send those to Japan to be judged. The Japanese MIGFACA jury selects the winner and invites the young one accompanied by a parent/guardian to Japan to receive the award. Bangladesh is one of the 26 participating countries of the biennale titled 'Illustrated Diaries', which is sponsored by Mitsubishi Public Affairs Committee, Japan.

Through colours the children

document their emotions recollected from tranquillity in the

M Nazrul Haque, director of Department of Fine Arts, BSA, informed, "It's the biggest children's painting festival in Asia. And the festival has a remarkable impact on the development of art among the Bangladeshi children. We have invited children from schools to register and send their illustrated diaries from all over the country. Like the previous festival we hope participation would go over four hundred this year. But, the three-member jury is yet to be selected. But, we will send the selected eight 'diaries' to Japan by the first week of January, next

Fourth round of Closeup 1 begins

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Fourth round of Closeup 1 Tomakei Khujchhe Bangladesh'06, second session of the popular reality show on ntv, is in progress. First part of the fourth round was aired on November 17. Eight of the sixteen contestants --Pulok, Poran, Nishita, Champa, Putul, Mona, Ronty and Kishor -- performed in the first part. The audience will get an opportunity to witness performances by the rest of the hopefuls -- Badhon, Emon, Muhit, Muhin, Polash, Rafat, Sabbir and Salma -- tonight at 9:10.

To discover and promote talented artistes, celebrity judges Ahmed Imtiaz Bulbul, Kumar Bishwajit, Fahmida Nabi are called on the show to review their performances and to inspire them. Eminent beauty expert Farzana Shakil attended the first part

guest judge From the sixteen participants, ten will be selected for the finals. The winners will be selected by a combined score of points given by the judges and public voting through SMS and internet votes.



The judges (L-R) Ahmed Imtiaz Bulbul, Fahmida Nabi

Movie Watch

'Fast Food Nation' serves a lot to chew on

Eric Schlosser's 2001 bestseller Fast Food Nation' delivered on its promise to reveal "the dark side of the all-American meal." It was enough to make a road trip seem like a culinary highway to hell, with chemical flavourings, meat from elderly cows, nasty labour practices and devious corporate shenanigans adding up to serious health risks for consumers.

Director Richard Linklater Dazed and Confused. School of Rock) has taken on the task of adapting Schlosser's lively but dense exposé for the screen, with Schlosser as co-writer. They've revamped the book as a sprawling fictional drama with interwoven stories that focus on each aspect of burger production, from field to factory to countertop.

A pair of young undocumented Mexican immigrants, Sylvia (Catalina Sandino Moreno) and Raul (Wilmer Valderrama), end up in a fictional Colorado town, where they find work at a meat-packing

contend with a manager (Bobby Cannavale) who treats the men with contempt, then uses and discards the women like Kleenex. In a parallel story line, a high

plant whose employees must

school student named Amber (Ashley Johnson) works long hours at the local Mickey's fast-food outlet, even though her mother (Patricia Arquette) and uncle (Ethan Hawke) want her to go to college. A Mickey's executive named Don (Gred Kinnear) is sent to investigate the packing plant after cow faeces was detected in frozen Mickey's patties Linklater has cast pop star Avril

Lavigne in a small role as an anarchist college student whom Amber encounters, and he hauls in Bruce Willis for a funny bit as a corrupt Mickey's executive. The performances are strong

enough to help the audience mostly differentiate all these characters But Fast Food Nation is a peculiar hybrid of social consciousness and rambling philosophy. And though



A scene from the film

eve-opening, it's as nonthreatening as any film involving sexual coercion, grotesque factory accidents and conveyor belts loaded with cow kidneys could be. Whether the message will get through to dazed and confused consumers remains to be seen.

Source: Internet

TV GUIDE

PICK OF THE DAY

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

News Bulletin

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

News (English) at 3:00 pm. 10:00 pm. Late Night News (Bangla and English)

11:30 pm. **CHANNEL-i**

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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.

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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 a.m,10:00 am, 11:00 am.1:00pm.3:00 pm. 4:00pm.6:00 pm and 8:00 pm.

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 **BBC WORLD** Every hour on the hour

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Shath Din 10:05 Animal Kingdom 10:30 Natoker Gaan 11:00 Mon Amar Shondhan Kori 11:30 Talk Show: Ki Kotha Tahar Shathey World of Arts 12:30 Hoi Hullor Muktangon Drama Serial: Meah Bolechhe Jabo Jabo Single Episode Apon Aloy

Drama Serial: Nire Tar Neel Dheu Drama Serial: Pichhutan

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Musical Programme

Gaan Ar Gaan

Bishwa Jurey

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Shomoshomoy On ntv at 9:50pm Host: Kazi Arif **Producer: Parvez Chowdhury**

Drama Serial: Black and White 08:50 Wide Angle 09:20 Jugal Bondi Rtv Exclussive

10:45 CHANNEL 1 Shuprobhat Bangladesh Chokh Mele Dekhi 09:30 10:00 Cartoon 10:30 Bangla Feature Film Bishwa Jurey Shath Din 03:30 Rupali Pata 04:00 Shondhikhone

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05:15 Chokh Mele Dekhi 06:10 Shaaj Bela 06:45 Jonotar Ishteha 07:00 Padmoraag 08:15 CJFP Award **BANGLAVISION**

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08:35 Shubho Shokal 09:05 Cartoon 09:30 10:00 Bangla Feature Film 02:30 Shuker Kanta 03:00 Amar Ami 03:30 Drama Serial 04:30 Dokhinayan

Cartoon

In the Line of Fire

Genre: Action/Adventure

On HBO at 8:30pm

Cast: Clint Eastwood, John Malkovich, Rene Russo

Drama Serial: Krishno Ebong Classer Bairey

Diner Sheshey Drama Serial: Magno Chaitonney Shish Apnar Agami Drama Serial: Uro

SONY Telebrands Teleshopping 09:30 **Chart Busters Movie** Based 10:00 Music Mantra Music 10:30 Music Beats Music 11:00 Cadburys Bournvita Quiz Contest Quiz 11:30

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Baa Bahoo Aur Baby

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Anacondas: The Hunt

for The Blood Orchid In the Line of Fire 11:00 Wild Things 2: The Glades 12:45 Romeo Must Die

10:15 Diamonds Are Forever 12:15 Live And Let Die Opening Night 02:15 The Man With The Golden Gun 04:55 The Spy Who Loved

STAR MOVIES

07:00 Shattered Glass 08:35 Dude. Where's My Car?

10:00 Commando Witches Of The Caribbean

STAR WORLD

According To Jim 09:00 Hogan's Heroes 10:00 Get Smart 10:30 The Bold And The Beautiful Criminal Minds 01:30 Law & Order: S V U 02:30 One Tree Hill 03:30 Ncis 04:30 Grey's Anatomy 05:30 06:00 Travel Asia

Hollywood Shootouts 06:30 Commander In Chief 07:30 Malcolm In The Middle 08:00 Desire: Table For Three 09:00 Oprah Winfrey Show 10:00 Rendezvous With Simi Garewal

Criminal Minds

Law & Order: S.V.U

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DISCOVERY CHANNEL 08:30

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12:00 Discovery Week 12:30 Life In The Undergrowth 01:30 Wild Discovery 02:30 Discovery Marquee 04:30 Wild Discovery 05:30 Feast India 06:00 Discovery Week 06:30 IDFA 07:30 Wild Discovery

Discovery's Biggest

Bollywood

Discovery India

Great Moghuls

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