

WHAT'S ON

**Group Art Exhibition**  
Title: Three Worlds  
Venue: Shilpangan Gallery,  
Lalmatia, Dhaka  
Date: January 31 –  
February 11  
Time: 3 pm – 8 pm

**Winter Festival**  
Title: Heem Utshab  
Venue: Jahangirnagar University  
Date: February 6-7  
Time: 10 am onwards

**Book Fair**  
Title: Amar Ekushey Boi Mela  
Organiser: Bangla Academy  
Venue: Bangla Academy  
Premises  
Date: Feb 2 - 29  
Time: 3 pm onwards

**Group Art Exhibition**  
Title: Breaking Ground: Modern Art  
in Transition  
Venue: Subir Choudhury Exhibition  
Hall, Bengal Shilpalay, Dhanmondi  
Date: Dec 17 – Feb 15  
Time: 1 pm – 8 pm (Except Sundays)

**Group Art Exhibition**  
Title: 7  
Venue: Galleri Kaya, Uttara  
Date: January 24 –  
February 7  
Time: 11:30 am – 7:30 pm



Abul Hayat



Animesh Aich

PHOTOS: STAR

# Stars who are releasing books at the Ekushey Boi Mela

SHAH ALAM SHAZU

The much awaited Ekushey Boi Mela opens tomorrow. Like every year, besides the literary professionals, many stars of the showbiz world have authored their own books, which will be released at the fair.



Asif Akbar



Putul



Shanu

Noted actor Abul Hayat writes books for the Ekushey Boi Mela regularly. This year, he will be coming up with three books. Out of the three, *Time Bank*, a story book and *Priyo Opriyo*, a compilation of five plays, are published by Priyo Bangla Publishers. The other one, *Echhara Ashar*, a story book, is published by Boi Pustok Prakashan.

Lux Superstar Shanarei Devi Shanu will be coming up with a novel, *Lipstick* by Anwesha Publication and a poetry book. Singer Putul, who wrote a book for the fair last year, will be returning with *Kalo Golaper Bhitore Theke Utsharito Alobrittyanto*, published by Tamralipi Publications. The book will be available from

the first day of the Ekushey Boi Mela.

Naznin Hasan Chumki is a prominent name in theatre and television. Besides acting, she has directed and written many plays and scripts for tele-fictions as well. She is making her debut as a writer with the novel *Binita*, published by Nagori Prokashon. On the other hand, singer Lopa Hossain's novel, *Amar Ekta Tumi Chai*, is published by Desh Publications.

Renowned director Animesh Aich's second novel *Jamini* by Tamralipi will also be available. Popular singer Asif Akbar will be making his debut as a writer with *Pothkora to Manhattan*.

## Deepika Padukone and Rishi Kapoor to headline the Hindi remake of 'The Intern'

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT DESK

Deepika Padukone recently took to Twitter to announce her next project. The film, also starring Rishi Kapoor, will be the Indian adaptation of Hollywood film *The Intern*, which featured Robert De Niro and Anne Hathaway in the lead roles.

Speaking about the film, Rishi Kapoor said in a statement, "*The Intern* is a very relevant film for the present-day Indian workplace milieu and it showcases human relationships beautifully. I am very excited to be working with Deepika and being a part of this heart-warming story. It is great that Warner Bros. and Azure are



officially making this film in India."

The Hollywood film revolves around a septuagenarian who takes up an internship at an e-commerce fashion startup, managed by a young woman. How their relationship develops over time forms the crux of the plot.



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## A cultural exchange programme between Bangladesh and Nepal held in Manikganj

ZAHANGIR SHAH, from Manikganj

An education delegation team from Nepal visited Manikganj SK Government Girls High School in the district town, recently. The delegation team was comprised of 26 members, including Ranjan Yadav, Second Secretary, Embassy of Nepal in Dhaka, Bhoj Raj Khatiwoda, Chief Administrative Officer and Baudha Raj Niraula, Undersecretary, Shankharapur Municipality of Bagmati, Nepal, along with three other officials and head teachers from 21 one secondary schools of the municipality.

The day began with the delegates visiting Manikganj Government High School where the Head teacher of the school Kamrun Nahar received them with flowers.

Representatives of the Nepali team, led by Man Bahadur Tamang, Head Teacher of Shree Sarada Secondary School, performed after the event. Assistant teacher Mahidur Rahman of the SK Girls High School presented Lalon song and was accompanied by a dance routine by the students.

The team also visited Manikganj Municipality and participated in a discussion with its mayor Gazi Kamrul Huda Selim.



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