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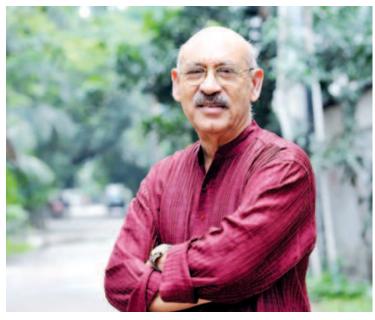
Book Fair Title: Amar Ekushey Boi Mela lenue: Bangla Academy



Group Art Exhibition in Transition Venue: Subir Choudhury Exhibition Hall, Bengal Shilpalay, Dhanmond Date: Dec 17 – Feb 15 Time: 1 pm - 8 pm (Except Sundays



Group Art **Exhibition** Venue: Galleri Kaya, Uttara



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.



Shanu



Asif Akbar

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 Bhitor Theke Utsharito Alobrittyanto, published by Tamralipi Publications. The book will be available from



Putul

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 Potkora to



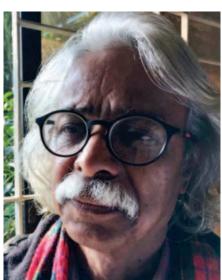
SHOMOYER GOLPO underway at Kala Kendra

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT DESK

A solo art exhibition titled, Shomoyer Golpo, by Habibur Rahman, is ongoing at Kala Kendra, Mohammadpur. The exhibition opened on January 17, curated by artist Wakilur Rahman. Eminent artist professor Rafiqun Nabi and Mahmudul Helal inaugurated the exhibition.

Artist and art critique, Javed Jalil, spoke at the event. "Artist Habib enjoys the stimulus of conscious willingness to discover the versatile interventions of one's urges,"

The exhibition is open for all till February 18 from 4:30 pm to 8:30 pm every day.



Habibur Rahman



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

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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 heartwarming 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.

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.

