

WHAT'S ON

Group Art Exhibition

Title: Us Women 2020
Venue: EMK Center, Dhanmondi
Date: March 8 – 19
Time: 9:30 am – 7:30 pm

Solo Exhibition

Title: Parables of the Womb
Artist: Dilara Begum Jolly
Venue: Bengal Shilpalay, Dhanmondi
Date: February 4 – March 28
Time: 2 pm – 8 pm (Except Sundays)

Solo Photography Exhibition

Title: Joy Bangabandhu
Artist: Nasir Ali Mamun
Date: March 6 – March 24 (Closed on March 13 and 14)
Time: 3 pm to 9 pm (Mon – Thurs); 9 am to 12 noon and 5 pm to 8 pm (Fri-Sat)

Cartoon Exhibition

Title: Shojonghatai Rekha
Venue: Kala Kendra
Date: February 21 – March 17
Time: 4:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Solo Art Exhibition

Title: Serenading Soul
Artist: Zahangir Alom
Venue: Dhaka Gallery, Banani
Date: March 18 – 25
Time: 12 noon – 8 pm



Shotabdir Mohanayok



Itihasheer Mohanayak



Bangabandhu Shorone



Shotoborshe Bangabandhu



Bangabandhu O Bangladesh



Mrityunjoyi Mujib



Bangabandhu Ke Niye Pongtimala



Khoka Theke Bangabandhu

TV specials on Bangabandhu's birth centenary

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As Bangladesh celebrates Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman's birth centenary and National Children's Day, top television channels of the nation have made some special arrangements. Here is a list of programmes that will be aired on different television channels today.

Initiated by Jatiyo Bastobayon Committee, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy arranged a special performance to commemorate Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman's birth centenary. A 45-minute-long theatrical performance on the life of Bangabandhu, titled, *Shotabdir Mohanayok*, featuring 100

artists will be aired on all channels across the country at 8 pm today. As a part of the celebration, 100 children will sing the national anthem and *Dhono Mujib Dhono*, a song dedicated to the Father of the Nation. 100 musicians will play a musical tribute and 100 singers will perform the theme song of Mujib Borsho.

The show, *Itihasheer Mohanayak*, on the life of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, will be aired at 5:20 pm on BanglaVision. Emceed by Ramendu Majumdar and produced by Rafiqul Islam Farooki, the episode will feature Colonel Mohammed Shawkat Osman, Commander Arif Ahmed Mustafa and Air Commander Mohammed Abu Rahman.

The first episode of the talk show, *Bangabandhu O Bangladesh*, hosted by Lt Col (Retd) Quazi Sajjad Ali and produced by Mamun Abdullah, will be aired at 5:30 pm on Boishakhi Television. Prolific painter Hashem Khan will appear on the show as the special guest.

Channel i has taken an initiative to air several shows throughout the month of March. As part of the celebration, a special programme, *Mrityunjoyi Mujib*, planned by Nasiruddin Yousuff and directed by Jamal Reza, will be aired on the channel at 6:30 pm. Prolific artist Mustafa Monwar will be seen in the first episode of the show, during which eminent personalities who were political

companions of Bangabandhu will share their memories of him.

Khoka Theke Bangabandhu, a show comprised of 26 episodes, will kick off on Duronto Television from today. On the show, young participants will learn different facts about Bangabandhu's life and the history of Bangladesh. Eminent actor Enamul Haque will appear as the special guest on the first episode of the show, which will air at 5 pm. Other guests of *Khoka Theke Bangabandhu* include Imdadul Haq Milan, Ataur Rahman, Nirmalendu Goon, Nasir Uddin Yousuff, Mamunur Rashid and Ramendu Majumdar among others. Raima Haq and Syed Arbeen Ayan will host the show. After March 17, the

show will air on Fridays and Saturdays at 5 pm, with repeat telecasts at 9 pm.

The talk show, *Shotoborshe Bangabandhu*, produced by Israfeel Shaheen and Babul Akhter, hosted by Soumitra Sekhar, will be aired on ETV at 9:30 pm. Syed Hasan Imam, Bhaswar Bandyopadhyay and Anima Roy will appear on the show as special guests.

The special poetry recital show, *Bangabandhu Ke Niye Pongtimala*, featuring Ashrafur Alam, Mahidul Islam, Naila Tarannum Kakoli and Masuduzzaman, will air at 6:30 pm on Maasranga Television. The musical programme, *Bangabandhu Shorone*, featuring promising singers Yusuf and Nandita, will be aired at 11:30 pm.



Akram Khan's tribute to Bangabandhu

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Akram Khan is a British-born Bangladeshi dancer and choreographer, known internationally for classical kathak and contemporary dance. To celebrate the birth centenary of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, Akram Khan is currently in Bangladesh

to conduct a special performance.

The 10-minute long performance will feature 30 artists. Choreographed by the dancer himself, the performance will pay a special tribute to the historic speech of March 7, as well as Bangabandhu's life. The performance will air today from 8 pm on all channels across the country.

Coronavirus pandemic hits the film industry hard

SHAH ALAM SHAZI

The Bangladeshi film industry has slowed down, owing to the rapidly spreading coronavirus. Most notably, the shooting schedules of several projects have been postponed and the release dates of many anticipated films have been pushed back over public health concerns. Besides, as single-screens are going out of fashion in Bangladesh, the number of films released every season is also on the decline. As a result, many prolific filmmakers and producers are

thinking twice before putting out their films in theatres at this moment of crisis.

The releases of *Shoshurbari Jindabad 2*, directed by Debashish Biswas and Sujana Barua directorial *Bandhob* have been postponed. Both these films were supposed to hit cinemas on March 20. "Prioritising public health over everything else, we have taken the decision," explained Debashish. Gazi Rakayet, the lead actor in *Bandhob*, said that the new release date of their film will be announced soon.

Masud Hasan Ujjal's *Unoponchash Batash*,

which was set to hit cinemas on March 13, has also been pushed back. However, as of now, Chayanika Chowdhury's *Bishwo Shundori*, is set to release on March 27 in 60 theatres. Shahriar Nazim Joy has also postponed the release of his directorial debut *Amar Maa*, from March 20 to April 10. "We are running out of business for a long time. Now, as the coronavirus has turned into a major public health concern, we are afraid to launch new films in theatres," asserts Iftekharuddin Naushad, owner of Modhumita.

With the slogan, 'Be bold for change', Hotel Sarina celebrated International Women's Day 2020. Founder and Managing Director of Basha Boutique Robin Jeyffert, artiste and advocate Peiya Jannatul, Founder and Creative Director of Motif Jackie Corlett, Founder of Hashimukh, Nusrat Akter, Superintendent of Seabreeze International School, along with Samiha Zaman, CEO of Protibha, Maisha Lubaba, and HR Officer, Admin & Logistics of Tearfund Josephine Alexander attended the programme.



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