

Dhaka Day by Day

Small is Beautiful

by Fayza Haq

Mohammed Eunus's solo exhibition of miniatures at "La Galerie" is the first show of its kind in Bangladesh. Eunus is inspired by an international exhibition held at Georgia and Montana, USA. The other reasons for his turning to miniatures is that "a lot of people cannot afford large pictures and there is often very little space in modern industrialised living to display large pictures," as the artist explains.

The painter did his masters from Japan, where he was inspired to go in for abstracts. In Japan he learnt a lot about experimenting with textures. He also learnt the use of delicate lines. He uses



Md Eunus

circles and dots from children's drawings. "I think children's art is real art as the lines are strong and meaningful and they are never self-conscious," Eunus comments. His subject, however, always remains Bangladesh. His livelihood depends on his sale in Japan. "It is really difficult for artists to live off their paintings. Art lovers in Bangladesh are limited. Industrialist and big merchants can help out as they do abroad. TV can encourage and educate the viewers. The newspapers can write more columns on art and culture," he says.

"In my abstractions I have tried not to follow familiar forms but have attempted, instead, to present new forms out of the familiar ones. I have used rhythmic childish motifs. What I aimed at was strong lines and objectivity. While selecting my subjects from my surroundings, I have tried to use new perspectives," Eunus explains.

Talking to me about miniatures, he told me how they had their roots in Rome India and Persia. "Medieval monks adorned their manuscripts with miniatures, which took their name from 'minium', the red lead pigment used in their creation. Portrait miniatures, treasured by royalty such as Queen Elizabeth I, were popular from 1500 to 1800. For 200 years (1500-1700) most of the tiny portraits were painted in water colours on vellum, parchment, or paper pasted to playing cards or other cardboards. Even today, these little gems, along with those in porcelain or enamel, remain timeless treasures," he informs me.

"In the mid 1700's ivory cut into thin sheets came into the scene. Its translucence brought a lifelike glow to the skin tones in these minute water colours. So miniature por-

traits were very popular, depicting everyone who could afford one. In America miniature accounted for a large part of the income of many early American artists. In 1830's Monsieur Dageurre's degeurtype so captured everyone's fancy that photography, along with other factors, put the miniaturist out of business. A small thread of artists have managed to keep the discipline alive," Eunus continues.

Talking about his own paintings the artist said about "Illusion - I". The massive brown represents the pain and agony of a tree. Here the theme is environment and I am concerned with the

trees being destroyed. So far people have been talking about environment. Here the tree is made to speak and express himself. In a drawing with the same theme "Save the Environment" a tree is depicted as uprooted. A semicircle opposite represents the globe. The bricks which are normally made by burning trees are here used to protect the trees. The arrows leading out of the trees symbolise the message to the rest of the world.

In "Passage of Heaven" there is abstraction with land, sky and a semicircle representing heaven. "Why lag behind in modernity and not use abstraction? The viewer has to try to cultivate a taste for abstraction. Just as modern poetry is appreciated so should modern art," the artist comments. The oil "From Nature" has captured the different seasons of Bangladesh in a few colours. "The brilliant red is for the 'krishnachura' during summer, the blue and white is for the rain in spring and the green is for the greenery found in the country," Eunus elaborates.

In "Composition IV" the artist has used fascinating forms, shapes, textures and lines in blue and green, with touches of black and white. There is then "Tokai" with his massive eye and moppel like face. He is looking ahead and wondering into the future. "Tokais and poor people surround you in Dhaka, giving you a theme for artistic creations," Eunus elaborates. The lines are delicate while the colours are balanced. The entire is easily a favourite with the viewers.

Such an exhibition as this, with its 64 entries, is welcome. The prices are not high while the paintings are delightful and soothing for your cosmopolitan existence.

BTV
Tuesday

5:00 Opening announcement
Al-Quran
Programme summary

5:10 News in Bangla
5:25 Documentary film
5:50 Shikshangon
6:20 Programme on mother and child health
7:05 Nazrul songs
8:00 News in Bangla
8:40 Drama series: Swapner Shahare

10:00 News in English
10:30 Mini series: All The Rivers Run
11:30 Khabar/The News
11:40 Wednesday's programme summary
11:45 Closing

STAR TV
BBC
WORLD SERVICE TELEVISION

Tuesday

00:00 hrs World News
00:25 World Business Report
01:00 World News
01:25 News from London
02:00 World News
02:15 The Money Programme
03:00 World Headlines
03:05 Documentary
04:00 World News
04:25 News from London
05:00 World News
05:25 Kilroy
06:00 World News
06:25 Newsnight
07:00 World News
07:25 World Business Report
08:00 World News
08:25 Newsnight
09:00 World News
09:15 Panorama
10:00 World News
10:25 Whicker's World
11:00 World Headlines
11:05 Documentary
12:00 World News
12:25 UN World
13:00 World News
13:30 Business Morning
14:00 Morning News from London
14:25 Network East
15:00 World Headlines
15:05 Documentary
16:00 World News
18:00 World News
18:25 Whicker's World
19:00 World News
19:25 UN World
20:00 World News
20:25 News from London
21:00 World News
21:15 Panorama
22:00 World Headlines
22:05 Documentary
23:00 World News
23:25 Whicker's World

(Please deduct 2 hours from above timings for Bangladesh Standard Time)

Tuesday

00:00 hrs 120 Minutes
03:00 Music Videos
05:00 The Day in Rock
05:30 MTV Sports
06:00 Awake on the Wild Side
09:00 MTV Power Pack
10:00 MTV's Most Wanted
11:00 Classic MTV
12:00 Awake on the Wild Side
15:00 Music Videos - VJ Danny McGill
18:00 Music Videos
20:00 The Day in Rock
20:30 MTV Sports
21:00 MTV Power Pack
22:00 MTV's Most Wanted
23:00 Classic MTV

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STAR plus
Tuesday

00:00 hrs Remington Steele
01:00 Movie: Subterfuge
02:30 Invention
03:00 The Tony Randall Show
03:30 The Bold & The Beautiful
04:00 Sally Jessy Raphael
05:00 Santa Barbara
06:00 Attitudes
07:00 Everyday Workout
07:30 Smoggies
08:00 Animated Classics
09:00 Terrahawks
09:30 Dr Fad Show
10:00 Children's Room
10:30 Jupiter Moon
11:00 Attitudes
12:00 Jane Wallace
13:00 Santa Barbara
14:00 Sally Jessy Raphael
15:00 Lifestyles of the Rich & Famous
16:00 Cuisine Rapide
16:30 Mac & Mutley
17:00 Adventures on Kythera
17:30 Kidsongs
18:00 Jupiter Moon
18:30 Just for the Record
19:00 The Best of Donahue
20:00 Remington Steele
20:50 Hollywood Stars
21:00 Movie: A Town Called Hel
22:30 The Tony Randall Show
23:00 The Bold & The Beautiful
23:30 Fame Fortune & Romance

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Dhaka reaffirms support to struggling people of South Africa

Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia Monday reaffirmed Bangladesh's unequivocal support and solidarity with the people of South Africa in their struggle for freedom from discrimination and oppression and realisation of justice and human dignity, reports BSS.

In a message on the occasion of the International Day of Solidarity with the struggling people of South Africa Begum Zia said "in the backdrop of epochal changes now underway in South Africa, we commemorate the day this year with a sense of optimism."

She expressed the hope that the momentous reforms initiated and the continuing political dialogue which had been mandated by the just concluded referendum held there and the convening of the conference on a democratic South Africa would set in motion irreversible trends toward relations of multiracial democratic order in South Africa.

The Prime Minister said

"Bangladesh in paying tribute to the sacrifices of the South African people reaffirms its total support to their struggle for the realisation of their fundamental goal of total and absolute abolition of the last vestiges of racism."

Bangladesh team leaves for Kathmandu

A two member Bangladesh delegation left Dhaka Monday for Kathmandu to attend the 11th meeting of the SAARC Technical Committee on Agriculture (TCA) beginning there today (Tuesday), reports BSS.

The members are A K M Abdun Nur, Director, SAARC Agricultural Information Centre (SAIC) and Dr M Gul Hossain, Principal Technical Officer, Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council (BARC).

The two day meeting will review the SAARC activities on agriculture for the past year and will frame programmes for the next year.

What's on today . . .

PDF Seminar
Patriotic Democratic Front will hold a seminar on pre-budget proposals at the seminar room of the Engineers Institute at 5 pm today (Tuesday).
The seminar will be attended by Finance Minister Saifur Rahman, and Awami League leader Abdus Samad Azad MP, Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and Industries President Moshed Khan, Economist Dr M A Gafur, Dr Wahid Uddin Mahmood, Dr Attur Rahman, Nirmal Sen and others will take part in the discussion.

Seminar on women patients
A seminar on "The repressed eloquence of women patients: The language of suffering and self-assertion" will be held today (Tuesday) at the Centre for Development Research, Bangladesh (CDR) at 4.30 pm.
The key-note paper will be presented by James M Wilce of Department of Anthropology, University of California, now working in Bangladesh as a fellow of the American Institute of Bangladesh Studies (AIBS).

Rotary Club of Ramna meet
The regular weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Ramna will be held today (Tuesday) at 5.30 pm at hotel Sonargaon.
Vice-Chancellor of BUET Dr Md Shahjahan will speak on 'Campus violence' at the meeting as guest speaker.

Natya Kendra
Natya Kendra will stage the play "Bichoo" today (Tuesday) at 7 pm at the Mahila Samity auditorium.

Bangladesh Theatre
Bangladesh Theatre will stage play "Adalater Premer Galpa" today (Tuesday) at 7 pm at the Guide House auditorium.

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Theatre Arambag
The play "Rakshush" of Theatre Arambag will be staged tomorrow (Wednesday) at 7 pm at Mahila Samity auditorium.

Dhaka Mancha
Dhaka Mancha will stage "Madarir Khela" tomorrow (Wednesday) at 7 pm at Guide House auditorium.



Ln. Humayun Zahir, District Governor District-315A, laying the foundation stone of LCIF funded Science Building cum Cyclone shelter of Sonapur High School at Begumganj, Noakhali on Sunday.

Weather

Day temperature may rise
By Staff Correspondent

Light to moderate rain or shower accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely at one or two places over Chittagong division and one or two places over Rajshahi, Dhaka and Khulna divisions during the next 36 hours commencing 6 pm Monday, Met office forecasts.

Day temperature is likely to rise by 1-2 degree Celsius during the period over the country.

Little change in weather would be noticed in subsequent two days.

Only 6 mm of rain was recorded on the day in Cox's Bazar. The highest temperature of 38.5 degree Celsius was reported from Chuadanga.

The sun sets today (Tuesday) in Dhaka at 6-48 pm and rises tomorrow (Wednesday) at 5-11 am.

Temperature and humidity recorded in important cities and towns on Monday were:

Cities/Towns	Temperature in Degree Celsius	Humidity in Percentage
	Max	Min
Dhaka	35.0	27.5
Chittagong	32.8	26.2
Rajshahi	36.3	26.5
Khulna	35.2	25.2
Barisal	34.0	26.4
Cox's Bazar	33.0	26.5
Sylhet	33.0	22.8
Rangpur	35.6	25.9
Chuadanga	38.5	27.0

15 student bodies demand release of Abdul Jabbar

Fifteen student organisations Monday demanded release of the brother of a Gananatrik Chhatra Kendra leader and also end to harassment of his family members by law enforcing agencies, reports UNB.

In a joint statement, they alleged police had arrested Abdul Jabbar, brother of Gananatrik Chhatra Kendra leader Abul Fatah Sabuj, and was torturing him in custody.

Arrest of Jabbar, harassment of Sabuj and his family were linked to the confessional statement a Sarbahara Party Activist, Bidhan, who was nabbed from Khansama upazila in Dinajpur district, the student groups said.

Sabuj is an activist of the Dhaka city unit of Ghatok (Dnal) Nirmul Committee and leader of the Gananatrik Chhatra Kendra which severed its relation with Bangladesh Socialist Party (BSP) last October, the statement said.

Bidhan has direct and indirect relation with the BSP the statement claimed.

Chhatra Molity, Chhatra Union, Chhatra Oikya Forum Swadhin Chhatra Parishad, Bangladesh Chhatra League, Bangladesh Chhatra Federation are among the 15 student organisations which issued the statement.

Malaysian Minister visits Rohingya camps

Malaysian Sports Minister Senator Haji Anwar Musa Monday visited Rohingya refugee camps at Deshpulang and Deshupalang II in Cox's Bazar, reports UNB.

Musa, who arrived Dhaka Sunday on a three-day visit, flew to the refugee flooded areas this morning, where officials briefed him about the latest situation of the problem.

Malaysia was one of the countries which had sent relief in aid of the Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh.

An estimated 269,772 Rohingyas Muslims have streamed into Bangladesh since the exodus began in March last year. The unofficial figure is about 300,000.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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CEC call to help prepare correct voter list

Chief Election Commissioner Justice Abdur Rauf Chowdhury Monday urged all concerned registration officers and district election officers to make all out efforts for preparing a correct voter list, reports BSS.

The Chief Election Commissioner was addressing the registration and district election officers at the election commission secretariat at Sher-e-Bangla Nagar.

Justice Chowdhury said a new voter list for poura areas would be formulated in the light of last three elections.

He asked the registration officers to work with honesty, efficiency, dedication and patriotism for presenting the na-

tion a correct voter list.

He also directed the district election officers and all concerned officers to hold discussions, street corner rallies and seminars in their respective areas regularly to motivate people for their inclusion in the voter list.

The Chief Election Commissioner said it was the duty of the election commission to formulate a correct voter list before holding pourashava and poura corporation elections.

Questions have been raised about the correctness of the present voter list, he said adding elections could not be free and fair without a correct voter list.

Chowdhury said arrangements had been made to provide all sorts of help to the assistant registration officers, supervisors and enumerators.

He went on saying the commission would not hesitate to take actions against those who would be found negligent of their duties.

Election Commissioner Syed Mesbauddin Hossain and Election Commission Secretary A Z M Shamsul Alam were, among others, who spoke on the occasion.

Services in BB essential

Services of all officials and employees of Bangladesh Bank have been declared essential by the government, an official handout said in Dhaka Monday, reports BSS.

The declaration has been made under Section 3(1) of the Essential Services (Second) Ordinance, 1958, the handout said.

Jagannathganj, Sirajganj ferry service to be operative June 17

Passenger ferry service between Jagannathganj and Sirajganj ghats will be operative again from June 17 following rise of water level in the river Jamuna, according to Bangladesh Railway press release Monday, reports BSS.

The ferry service in this route remained suspended since February 8.

Passengers of Padma Express between Dhaka-Rajshahi and five-up Rajshahi mail and six-down Chittagong mail running between Chittagong and Rajshahi will be able to travel directly with the reintroduction of the ferry service.

Ahsanullah's death anniversary today

The 14th death anniversary of Nawab Khawja Ahsanullah will be observed today (Tuesday), reports BSS.

A day long programmes have been chalked out in observance of the day. The programmes include Quran khwani at the grave of the late Nawab at his family graveyard at Begum Bazar from 6 am to 4 pm and milad mahfil. The members of the Nawab family will place wreaths at his grave at 10 am.

Salimullah Muslim orphanage will hold a milad mahfil after Asr prayer.

Sonali Bank
Bogra Branch, Bogra

Sale Notice

Sealed tenders are invited for sale of "mortgaged" goods "as it is where it is basis" whose schedule is given below :-

- Sealed tenders should be dropped in the Tender Box kept at Sonali Bank, Bogra Branch on or before 28-6-92 by 1 pm. The Tender Box will be opened on the same day at 3.00 pm. in front of tenderers if any one remain present.
- Along with the tender 5% of the total quoted value of the goods must be submitted as earnest money (refundable) in favour of Asstt. General Manager, Sonali Bank, Bogra Branch, Bogra through Sonali Bank's Drafts/Pay Order. No tender without earnest money will be acceptable.
- Intending buyers may see the goods at borrower's godown everyday during the office hours excepting Fridays and holidays on prior contact with the Branch.
- The accepted tenderer is stipulated to take delivery of goods on full payment within 7 (seven) days from receipt of letter from the Bank regarding acceptance of his tender, otherwise earnest money will be forfeited.
- The right to reject any tender or making delivery of goods fully or partly without assigning any reason thereof is reserved by the undersigned.

Schedule of the Goods

Name of the Borrower	Goods
M/s Northern Tanning, Proprietor : Shahjahan	Wet blue Goat's Skin-31642 Pieces
Hasnat Shahi,	Crust Goat's Skin-1200 Pieces
Betgari, Banani, Bogra.	Chemicals Approximately-178 kgs

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G-733

Md. Shamsul Alam
Asstt. General Manager

Tender Notice

Tenders in sealed cover are invited from local Importers of printing paper for supply of two hundred and five (205) reams of Double crown off-set printing paper 80 GM of Holland/Japan/Korean Origin. Interested parties may submit tenders quoting rates per ream of above specifications together with samples to the General Secretary, Asiatic Society of Bangladesh, 5, Old Secretariat Road, Nimali, Dhaka 1000, within 20 June 1992 (3-00 p. m.). Tenders will be opened at 4-00 p.m. same day in the presence of tenderers, if any turns up at the appointed time.

The Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason. D-330

BCIC Sale Notice

Tender proposals are invited for sale of 1657 items (unused excess goods) kept in stores of Sylhet Pulp & Paper Mills Ltd, Chhatak, Sunamganj. Tender schedule can be collected from the undermentioned offices at Taka 100 (one hundred) up to 23-6-92.

- BCIC, 30-31, Dilkusha Commercial Area, Dhaka.
- BCIC branch office, 6, Agrabad, Chittagong.
- SPPM Ltd, Chhatak, Sunamganj.

Tenders will be received up to 11-00 AM on 24-6-92 and opened on the same day at 11-15 AM.

BCIC-484-2/6
DFFP(BA) 5183-3/6
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Managing Director

PUBALI BANK LIMITED

HEAD OFFICE
26, DILKUSHA C/A, DHAKA

NOTICE

This is to notify for information of all shareholders of Pubali Bank Limited that we have received from 2 (two) Shareholders the notices of intention under section 144 (6) of the Companies Act, 1913 for appointment of the following Auditors for the year 1991 in the ensuing 8th Annual General Meeting to be held on 25th June 1992. The following existing auditors also have expressed their willingness for re-appointment for the year 1991.

New Auditors proposed for appointment	Existing Auditors willing for re-appointment.
1. M/S. B. Alam & Co. Chartered Accountants, 37, Purana Palton Line (2nd Floor), Off-VIP Inner Circular Road, Dhaka-1000.	3. M/S S. F. Ahmed & Co. Chartered Accountants, 128, New Eskaton Road, Dhaka.
2. M/S. K. M. Alam & Co. Chartered Accountants, 80, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka-1000.	4. M/S. Khan Wahab Shafique Rahman & Co. Chartered Accountants, 55, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka-1000.
	5. M/S. Kazi Zahir & Co. Chartered Accountants, 93/2, Kakrail, Dhaka-1000.

Under the above situation, the shareholders have to elect 3 (three) of the above audit firms as the auditors of the Bank for the year 1991.

Dated: Dhaka
15/6/92

(RANADHIR CHOWDHURY)
SECRETARY