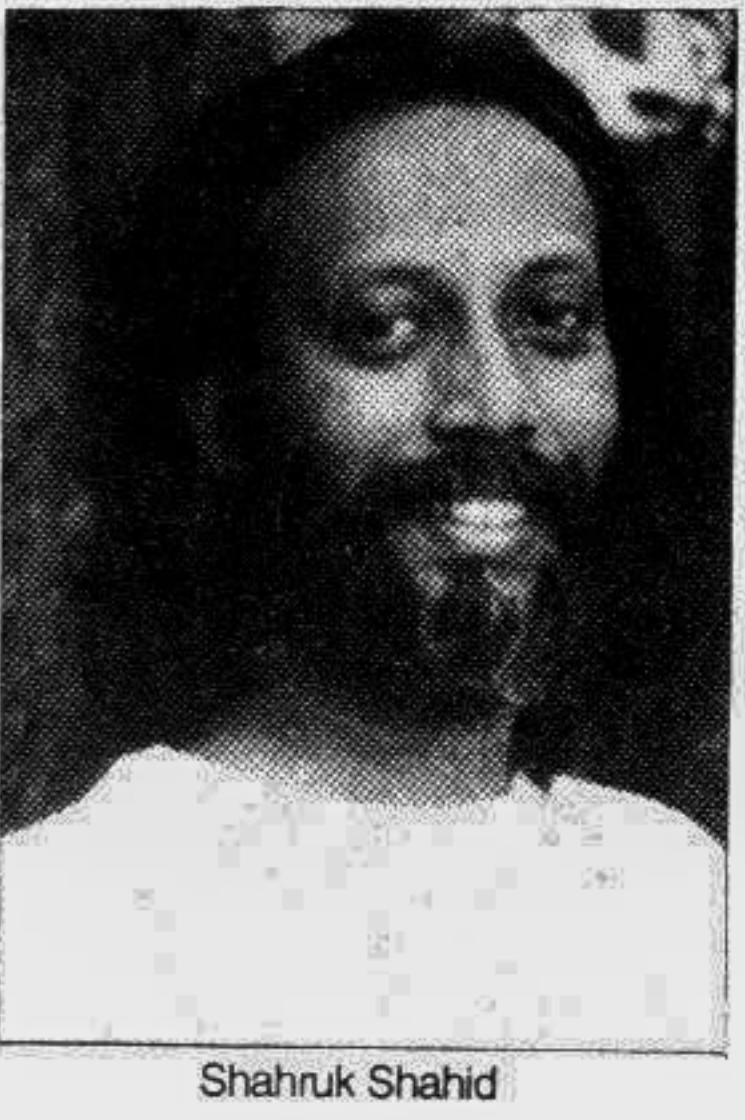


## exhibition

## Colours of a Painter's Palette

By Fayza Haq

HENRY'S Heritage's "Rain and Summer" Shaan collection at the Alliance Francaise has the brightness of yellows, greens to fight of the gloom of the cloudy weathers. Here Sharuk Shahid deals with party-wear and office wear, both shalwar-kameez and sari, both done mainly in cotton. He has used hand paint, spray and brought in floral and semi-abstract patterns. A lot of black has been used as it is in fashion. Sharuk has been working thematically. Since the clients are fixed variation has been brought so that there will be a selection to choose from in the cupboard. He leaves



Sharuk Shahid

it to the customers to buy the blouses in the contrasting colours of their choice. Sharuk has tried to avoid blocks. As there is rain throughout the season, the saris will have to be aired, spread out and pressed before putting them away.

The aim of the exhibition is to establish the designer so that within five years the designer will have a dignified job. Before an exhibition Sharuk discusses with the clients their needs for six weeks of so. This time the buyers craved for colours. Sharuk believes that whether in the east or west, bright colours like lemon yellow and green should be worn in summer. The satellite TV is there and our customers are aware of

fashion all over the world," Sharuk adds.

The saris, which all looked like paintings of an artist with the saris working as canvases, included a grayish-green one with spray, embroidery hand paint and tie and dye combined with large floral patterns. There was a pale-green sari with hand paint, block, spray and tassels. There was a black and red one with sprays of orange, lime green, yellow and blue. There was a white one with yellow and pink stripes of wreathes, while the anchal had mirror and square motifs done in green and yellow.

The shalwar-kameez collection used embroidery, block, brush work and mirror. There

was one with a sunburst of orange, white and green with motifs on front, sleeves and the deep hem. Another in royal blue and green had mauve embroidery in floral motifs. It had a V-neck with short sleeves and beige beads on the sides and sleeves. There was another one in white, with green, blue and orange geometrical motifs. The designer of these shalwar-kameezes was Pami.

"The designer group is a must in order to establish the profession," Sharuk says. "A venue should be provided, there should be sponsors among the big companies. Because I have limited funds I cannot work freely," he adds.

## music

## A Golden Evening

Benson &amp; Hedges Star Search '99

By Nafid Imran Ahmed

**T**HE 5 men rock and blues band who believes in mature and wholesome music played 'Akin Surjota Hariye Jete Jete' and 'Kamon Tomar Prein'. The fourth band performed was a 4 man Heavy Metal band Cryptic Fate. Their songs 'Ajo Ami Fire Ashi Kiser Tane' and 'Shob Kicchu Mone Rakhi Kiser Karone' proved that the young musicians of Bangladesh are doing their home work properly. Everyone enjoyed their outstanding performance. After them another two bands Glad Tiders and Aranya performed. The seventh performer was a young lady Mehreen Bhuyan. She was the one and only female performer in the contest. VJ Meghna went up to the stage to meet the talented young woman and she said that she was really surprised to see only one female contestant. Mehreen started with a song written and composed by the well known band

Warfaze 'Ai Mon Mukto Aj Akhon'. The audience and the judges loved her song. Her second song 'Sanai Baje Sure Sure' was also appreciated by all. After her performance the group had a ten minutes break. After a short break the program started again with the band known as The Trap. Their stage performance and song 'Chole Jodi Jabi Dure' cheered everyone. A quintet playing blues alternative band known as Zoloft came after them. The only performers playing English songs started with 'Always With You'. The outstanding guitar and overall performance was cherished by all. The next two bands Eclipse and Winsome played after them. Winsome is a band who came all the way from khulna. Their shaky performance was well noticed. Syed Kollof a solo musician and singer playing acoustic guitar and harmonica came on stage after them. Influenced by Van Morrison, Neil Young and Bob Dylan, folk singer Kollof sings songs against social injustices. His two songs 'Thokay Amay',

'Aksho Pata' and marvelous lyrics was loved by the audience and judges. Next came the rock band known as the Vikings. The 5 man rock group who has recently released a music video of their own started with the song 'Alomelo'. Their performance was outstanding. The audience loved their second song 'Jibon Kohol'. Compact music and outstanding stage performance were noticed. After the Vikings the last performer of the show Syed Md. Ferdous came on stage. Losing his bass player due to illness, his performance wasn't that good, but his logical lyrics made the audience applaud.

The ratings from the judges were collected and computed. VJ Meghna invited the managing director of Benson & Hedges Mr. Mahmudur Rahman on stage for giving away special B & H certificates to the distinguished judges. While speaking on the occasion he said that Benson & Hedges are very pleased with the performance of these talented but unrecognized musicians. He asked all the musicians to keep

on playing. He promised that B & H will be sponsoring and organizing this musical event every year. After his speech VJ Meghna announced the name of lucky winner of Benson & Hedges Star Search '99, the rock band Vikings.

The winning band members busted into tears hearing their name as winners. Mr. Mahmudur Rahman presented them with the B & H trophy. For encouragement he also presented the band a beautiful and expensive electric guitar. The five members of the band are vocal Tonmoy, guitar and back vocal Shetu, keyboards Babu, bass guitar and back vocals Johny and drummer Sumon. All the judges encouraged the winners and the losers for keeping up their music. At the end of the show the judges on stage jammed for the audience for a while.

In an interview with VJ Meghna after the show she said that this is her first visit in Bangladesh and before this she wasn't aware of the type of music played here. In an answer to

my question about international performance Meghna said that the subcontinent music is still a bit out of the way. So one trying to go internationally has to change lyrics and sometime tunes. She thinks that it will still take 6 to 10 years for our people to get there. Meghna was really ecstatic about the whole show. She said that she was amazed to see only two or three performers playing the folk song and all other performers playing heavy metal and hard rock. She thinks that Bangladeshi musicians are very talented and if they can keep this up, they will be able to reach the international music real soon.

The hidden talents of Bangladeshi musicians should be found out by this type of sponsorship and program. The Benson & Hedges helped a lot for finding these young musicians and giving them a chance to perform at a place where they have always dreamed of playing. This type of musical event should be organized and unseen talents should be given chances.

## documentary

## Jamuna Parer Shamsuddin

A Powerful Documentation of Our Liberation History.

By Cultural Correspondent

A 28 year old patriotic government officer in Sirajganj had nothing in terms of material things to give the nation. But he had courage aplenty. He defied the power of the government and risked his life to fight for his motherland. He saved the 1.4 million people of Sirajganj by organising the local people on a line of defence against the Pak-soldiers for about a month.

The legendary A. K. Shamsuddin, popularly known as Colonel A. K. Shamsuddin by his fellowmen, his life, his courage, his patriotism and his sacrifice was the main subject-matter of the powerful documentary 'Jamuna Parer Shamsuddin' produced by Binota Visuals screened at the Russian Cultural Center auditorium on Friday.

Written and directed by Imot Shikdar, the short film on liberation views of the people of Sirajganj. The camera highlights the legendary SDO of Sirajganj in 1971, 'Colonel' A. K. Shamsuddin and his contribution for the liberation war.

The second premiere show of this historical documentary 'Jamuna Parer Shamsuddin', started half an hour late, and was in three parts. The first part started with the solo performance by Percia singing a melodious song 'Choker Du Dekhchitem Choker Bahire' a composition of Tagore. This was followed by another song by Tagore by Shapla, Bhupen Hazarika's 'Bistirno Du Pare' was sung by Zubair Liton. A three-member group 'Shironamahin' performed three songs with two of their own compositions and Shuman Chatterjee's 'Ami Chat', which the audience applauded a lot.

The low quality of sound system made the songs harsh and annoyed the audience. A welcome statement was made by Mrs. Binota Haque, owner of Binota Visuals, who spent most of her savings to fund the documentary. A discussion on the war strategy of Shamsuddin and his life by freedom fighter Mirza Rezaul Alam followed.

Mirza Alam said that Shamsuddin began his fight for freedom under the influence of the historical speech of 7 March, 1971 by the Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman who called on the nation urging them to liberate the country. Shamsuddin went through different places of the North Bengal and influenced the countrymen to take part in the war for independence. He helped build arms and bomb factories. The weapons that were built here were supplied through out the north of Bengal. He even had anti-aircraft guns and a navy guarding the river shores, Mirza Alam said. Under his supervision a radio station named 'Jai Bangla Betar Kendra' was established at Sirajganj. However when he needed some 130 canons for one of his missions, he failed to get them and along with his co-fighters were defeated on the twenty sixth day of his battle against the brutal Pak soldiers. Shamsuddin was arrested on the 18th of May and sent to jail at the Dhaka Cantonment, where he was brutally tortured



A scene from Jamuna Parer Shamsuddin

by Major Sarfaraj and his gang. He passed away on the 19th of May.

The actual screening of the documentary began at quarter past seven with the glimpses of the liberation war. The documentary very correctly portrays the struggle led by Shamsuddin in trying to unite the people of Sirajganj to stand up against the might of the enemy. The documentary visualizes the courage, patriotism and sacrifice of the people of Bangladesh.

Shamsuddin comes to life in the production through the words of his relatives, co-workers and others who knew him. They recall him as a person, as a great freedom fighter and a great human being. At the same time the film shows the contribution and sacrifice of the people of Sirajganj.

'Jamuna Parer Shamsuddin' is the first production of Binota Visuals. It is heartening to know that many responsible people are coming forward to document the actual happenings of our Liberation War. Such productions will help our young generation to learn of what really happened during the war that we so proudly fought to liberate our country.

## TV Guide

Sunday 18th July

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

BBC

6:00 BBC World News Headlines 6:30 World Living: Holiday Guide 7:00 BBC World News 7:30 World Focus: Correspondent 8:00 BBC World News 8:30 World Focus: Simpson's World 9:00 BBC World News 9:30 Hard Talk 10:00 BBC World News 10:30 This Week 11:00 BBC World News 11:30 India Business Report 12:00 BBC World News 12:30 Wild World: Style 1:00 BBC World News 1:30 Hard Talk 2:00 BBC World News 2:30 World Focus: This Week 3:00 BBC World News 3:05 World Weekend: Watergate 2:45- Cover-Up 4:00 BBC World News 4:30 World Living: Talking Movies 5:00 BBC World News 5:30 Reporters 6:00 BBC World News Headlines 6:30 World Weekends 6:30 Chappaquidick

Rewind VJ Sophia 9:30 Catch-22 10:00 House Arrest 10:30 Turn On T [V] 11:30 [V] Bioscope 12:00 Toofan TV 12:30 First Day First Show 1:00 Udam Singh Show 1:30 Indian Top 10 2:00 Zabardast Hits 4:30 Sunday Special 5:30 Zabardast Hits 7:30 Kingfisher Mangta Hai 8:30 Zabardast Hits 10:00 [V] Mainstage 12:00 Turn On [V] 2:30 Turn On T [V] 3:30 Saya Maha 4:30 Turn On T [V]

STAR PLUS

6:30 Nisha 7:30 Good Morning India 8:30 Lassie 9:00 Animal Adventure 9:30 The Wonder Years 10:00 Small Wonder 10:30 Janata Ki Adalat 11:00 Shotgun Shoot 11:30 Amul India Show 12:00 Mastercard Fortune 12:30 India Business Week 1:00 The Great Escape 1:30 IFB Star Sunday Lunch (Away From Home) 2:00 Mega Hit Parade 3:00 Sunday Matinee: Hamesha (Saif Ali Khan, Kajol) 5:30 Jubilee Plus 6:00 Aur Phir Ek Din 6:30 I love

WWF Superstars 5:00 The Simpsons 5:30 Travel Asia 6:00 Asia News Sunday 6:30 3rd Rock From the Sun 7:00 Series: The Crow 8:00 Series: The X-Files 9:00 Series: Cops 9:30 Series: TV Com 10:00 Khabarnama & Commercial News 11:00 Asia News Sunday 10:30 3rd Rock From the Sun 11:00 Series: The X-Files 12:00 Series: The Crow 1:00 Asia News Sunday 1:30 3rd Rock From the Sun 2:00 Series: The X-Files 3:00 Series: Cops 3:30 Series: Code-3 4:00 Life in the Word with Joyce Meyer 4:30 World News 6:30 Hollywood Squares

STAR MOVIES

7:00 Western: Two Fisted Tales 9:00: Adventures of Huck Finn (12) 11:00 Bhaskar Ghose Show 11:30 Sunday Best: Indian Summer 1:30 Horror: Escape To Nowhere (15) 3:30 Thriller: Flash Frame 4:00 Action: Speed-2 (15) 7:15 Action: Tank Girl 9:30 The Bhaskar Ghose Show 10:00 Sunday Night Premiere: Rob Roy 4:30 Comedy: Indian Summer

MTV INDIA

7:00 MTV Hanging Out VJ Sonia 9:00 House of Style 9:30 Non-Stop Hits 10:30 Best of ... 11:30 Made in India VJ Cyrus 12:00 MTV Hipshakers 12:30 MTV Hit Music 1:00 MTV Housefull V Nafisa 1:30 Non-Stop Hits 2:30 MTV In Control- Cricket 3:30 MTV-U VJ Cyrus 4:30 MTV Ek Do Tee VJ Raageshwar 5:30 MTV & Kenwood India Hit List VJ Rahul 6:30 Non-Stop Hits 7:30 MTV Recycled 9:30 MTV Hit Music 10:00 Housefull V Nafisa 10:30 MTV Fresh VJ Rahul 11:00 Simron of Mega Mix VJ Nafisa 11:30 Destination Dance — The Grind — Beach Show 12:00 MTV Unplugged 1:00 Non-Stop Hits Continue ...

MUSIC ASIA

7:30 Aalaap 8:00 B&W Gems 8:30 All Time Hits 9:00 Hit Parade 9:30 World Premiere 9:45 Brake Fail 10:30 Hit Mix 11:00 Colgate Zig Zag Best Of The Day 11:30 Bajaj Music Box 12:00 World Premieres 12:15 Medimix Madhur Moments 12:30 Bakeman's Star Ek Mood Anek 12:55 Pop Re Pop 1:00 Jharokha 1:30 Best Of The Best 2:15 World Premiere 2:30 Double Mint Double Maaza 3:00 All Time Hits 3:30 Medimix Madhur Moments 3:45 Bakeman's Star Ek Mood Anek 4:00 Pop Re Pop 4:15 Jharokha 4:30 Best Of The Best 5:15 World Premiere 5:30 Double Mint Double Maaza 6:00 Bakeman's Star Ek Mood Anek 6:30 Pop Re Pop 7:00 Hit Parade 7:30 Pop Buster 8:00 Bakeman's Star Ek Mood Anek 8:15 Medimix Madhur Moments 8:30 House

5:00 Action: Long Kiss Goodnight 5:00 Action: Tank Girl

PTV-2

8:00 Tilwat Aar Tarjuma/ Hamd-Naati/Warzish 8:20 Cartoon 8:30 Khabar 8:45 Sports Clinic 10:05 PTV Gold 8:45 Fun Time 9:05 TV Encyclopedia 9:25 Sports Clinic 10:05 PTV Gold 10:30 English Film: Darkwing Duck 10:55 Mast Mast Sanyo 11:00 Khabraan 11:10 Sports Hour 12:05 The Sunday Brunch 12:55 Quran-e-Hakeem 1:02 Food Show 1:40 Aaj Di Shaam 2:00 Drama Serial 2:55 Laag (Zebra Khan) 3:55 Karabar 4:15 Education 5:25 Riaz for 9:55 Zameen Per Zindagi 6:25 Alou Courses 7:00 Hercules 1:00 Series: LA Heat 2:00 Series: Walker: Texas Ranger 3:00 Series: Tropical Heat 4:00

STAR WORLD

7:00 Crystal Maze 8:00 Mr Belvedere 8:30 Only Fools & Horses 9:00 The Adventures of Sindbad 10:00 Small Wonder 10:30 Mind Your Language 11:00 Series: Xena 12:00 Series: Hercules 1:00 Series: LA Heat 2:00 Series: Walker: Texas Ranger 3:00 Series: Tropical Heat 4:00

Tank Girl on Star Movies at 7:15 pm



Sunday Night Premiere: Rob Roy

on Star Movies at 10 pm  
Starring Liam Neeson, Jessica Lange, Tim Roth and John Hurt

A passionate, romantic epic, ROB ROY is the true story of Robert Roy MacGregor, a hero of 18th Century Scotland, whose love for one woman gave him honour, courage and, ultimately, his life.



Tank Girl on Star Movies at 7:15 pm

Of Choice 9:00 Pop Korn 9:30 Bajaj Music Box 10:00 Old Tavern Sizzlers 10:30 Jharokha 11:00 Brake Fail 11:45 Shabab 12:15 Pop Re Pop 12:30 Old Tavern Sizzlers 1:00 Sa Re Ga Ma 1:30 Jharokha 2:00 Bajaj Music Box 2:30 World Premiere 2:45 Pop Re Pop 3:00 Geet Keon Ki Bahar

ZEE TV

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9:00 Sure Sadhak 9:30 Movie Club Film (Last Thursday's Film Rpt) 12:30 Sawal Zawab 1:30 Movie Club Film (Last Friday's Film Rpt) 3:30 Geet Sangeet 4:30 Sunday Bangla Film 5:30 News 7:20 Bindon (Magazine Show) 7:30 Bangla Samabads 8:00 Serial: Pratigat 8:30 Serial: Baro Theke Atharo 9:00 Serial: Surja Snan 9:30 Serial: Sidhanta 10:30 Sambad

DD CHANNEL-1

5:55 Vande Mataram & Thought of the Day 6:00 Adrakhna 6:30 PBA Programmes 7:30 Samachar 7:40 Rangoli 8:40 The News 8:50 The World News 9:00 Gao Saachi Bani 9:30 Shri Krishna 10:30 Sangeet Samrat Tansen 11:00 Tillem-E-Hoshurali 11:30 Picnic Antakshari 12:00 School Days 12:30 Delhi Dairy 1:00 Sakkhi Saheli 1:30 News for Hearing Impaired 1:55 Feature Film in Regional Lang 2:30 News in Hindi 2:40 Rangoli 2:50 Feature Film in English 2:55 Feature Film in Regional Lang 3:30 Feature Film in Hindi 7:30 Samachar 8:00 Bhagwan Se Poonch Ki Khuda Se 8:30 Meerabai 9:00 Samachar 9:30 News 10:00 Amul-Surabhi 10:30 Satyavadi Raja Harischandra 11:00 Current Affairs 11:30 Docom

SONY TV