

anniversary

Happy Birthday to ...

4-day Celebration Marking Selim Al Deen's 50th Birth Anniversary Begins Today at Mahila Samity



By DU Correspondent

SELIM Al Deen 50th Birth Anniversary Preparation Council has chalked out a four-day programme to mark the playwright's 50th birth anniversary.

The 120-member Council in collaboration with Dhaka Theatre and Bangladesh Gram Theatre will hold the four-day programme, which include reception, staging of plays by Prof Selim Al Deen, presentation of essays by scholars and talks with the dramatist.

The reception will be accorded to one of the most gifted dramatists of the country at the Mahila Samity Mancha today evening. The programme will be presided over by Hasan Azizul Haq while Prof Mostafa Nurul Islam, Sayeed Ahmed, Dr.

Alauddin Ahmed, Prof. Arun Sen, Ataur Rahman, Mohammad Rafique and Nasir Uddin Yusuf will also take part at the discussion. The programme will be followed by the songs of the dramas of Selim Al Deen.

The drama 'Hat Hoda' will be staged at the Mahila Samity Mancha tomorrow evening.

A discussion will be held on August 20 which will be presided over by Syed Shamsul Haq. Arun Sen (India), Nripendra Saha (India) and Lutfur Rahman will read out the keynote paper.

'Banpangshul', the latest drama of Selim Al Deen will be staged on August 20 and 21 in the evening at the Mahila Samity Mancha.

The rare breed of dramatist composed a number of plays and conducted research to explore the golden tradition of Bengali culture and heritage. The major works of Selim Al Deen include Keramat Mangal, Chaka, Hargaj, Hat Hadai, Joi-boti Konner Mon, Bangla Natyakhosh, Kittonkhola and Banpangshul.

The research works of Selim Al Deen are Mohua, Dewana Modina and Ekti Marma Kupkatha.

He was conferred different prestigious award in home and abroad, which includes Jatiya Chalachitra Puroshker in 1994.



Bangla Academy Sahitya Purashker in 1984, Best Television Dramatist Award in 1994 and Kathok Sahitya Purashker in 1994.

Selim Al Deen was born at Senerkhi village under Feni district on August 18, 1949.

Ustad Ayet Ali Khan's Death Anniversary to be Celebrated Next Month

By Cultural Correspondent

A detailed programme has been chalked to observe the 32nd death anniversary of Ustad Ayet Ali Khan, one of the greatest surbahar players this subcontinent has ever witnessed since after the invention of the instrument next month at Nation Museum auditorium.

Born in a family of musicians Ayet Ali was the youngest of the five brothers of whom Ustad Alauddin Khan was the third and the most illustrious. It is very natural that he would be overshadowed, in spite of his great abilities as a performer, by the all pervading fame of his elder brother. The same catastrophe had also befallen the fate of the elder Tagores when the youngest Rabindranath earned the Noble prize for Literature. It was largely due to the overwhelming existence of Alauddin Khan that the contribution of Ustad Ayet Ali Khan has hardly been noticed and evaluated during his lifetime. But now as both of them have gone the way of flesh and blood a long ago it is easier for an observer to make a correct assessment of the great master as a musician.

True that all the five brothers had inherited a natural predilection for music from

their father — Safdar Hussain Khan — who himself was a star player of considerable distinction, but it is true that both Alauddin and Ayet Ali had further enriched their inheritance by sustained devotion to the art till the end of their lives. Ayet Ali took his first lessons in Vocal as well as instrumental music from Fakir Aftabuddin, the second elder brother for long five years and by the time he was fifteen he mastered all the elementary aspects of melody and rhythm with almost flawless perfection. At about the same time Alauddin Khan was through with his probation under the supervision of Ustad Wazir Khan of Rampur and installed as the Guru among the court musicians of Malher by the Maharaja himself.

In 1948 he founded a music institute in Comilla, which later came to be known as Alauddin Shilpi Sangha. He had also established a training centre for music in Brahmanbaria, called Alauddin Music College and in both the institutions mentioned above Ustad Ayet Ali used to teach free. This was an act of rare gesture for the fact that no Ustad in those days would normally impart lessons in classical music to some one not belonging to his own family, not to speak of giving it free. But Ustad Ayet Ali Khan felt the importance of creating a new cultural stratum for the middle

class of Bangladesh so keenly that he did not hesitate a moment to depart from the traditional ways with the orthodox

school. His selfless efforts resulted in the emergence of a host of classical musicians in course of time.



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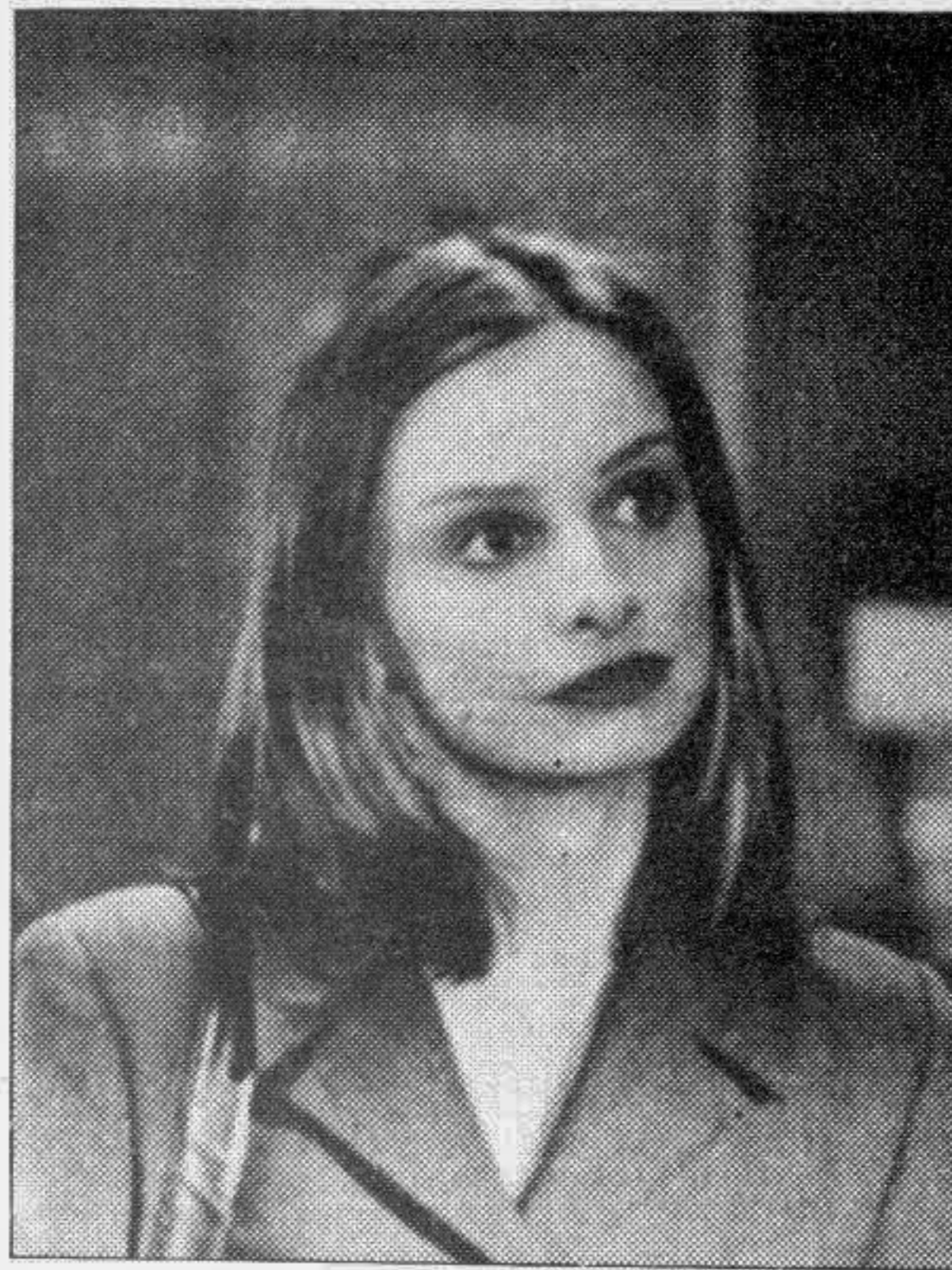
Wednesday 18th August
(All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the programme)

BTV

3:00 Opening Announcement, Holy Al-Quran, Programme Summary
3:10 Recitation from the Holy Geeta 3:15 Patriotic Song 3:20 Open University 4:00 Khabar 4:05 Health Information 4:20 Cartoon - Casper 4:40 Shamol Chaya 5:20 Aloy Bhobon Bhara 5:45 Pusty Thatya 6:00 Desh O Bi-gyan 6:30 Khabar 6:40 Programme from the Chittagong Centre 7:05 Geet Beetan 7:20 Noopur Nikkan 8:00 News in Bangla 8:30 Drama Serial 9:25 Film Show: The New Adventure of Robinhood 10:30 News at Ten 10:30 Mukti Pathy 11:00 Dristy O Stristy 11:30 Khabar/The News 11:45 Close Down.

BBC WORLD

6:00 BBC World News
6:30 World Living: Heavenly Bodies #2/6 - Discover Venus 7:00 BBC Newsroom inc. World Business Report/USA Direct/Asia Today /24 Hours 9:00 BBC Newsroom inc. World Business Report/Asia Today /24 Hours 10:00 BBC World News 11:30 Europe Direct 12:00 BBC World News 12:30 World Living: The Real India Travel Show 1:00 BBC World News 1:30 Holiday Guide - 2:00 World News 2:30 World Focus: Reporters 3:00 BBC World News 3:30 Hard Talk (r) 4:00 BBC World News 4:30 World Living: Heavenly Bodies #2/6 - Discover Venus 5:00 BBC The World Today 6:30 World Focus: Reporters 7:15 World Business Report 7:30 BBC The World Today 8:30 World Living: The Big Trip #10/16 - Thailand & Malaysia 9:00 BBC World News 9:30 World Focus: Hard Talk - 10:00 BBC World News 10:30 World Living: Face To Face India - Talk (Anchor: Karan Thapar) 11:00 World Today 12:30 World Focus: Hard Talk - 1:00 BBC News 1:30 World Focus: The Net 2:00 BBC World News 2:30 World Living: Top Gear - The



Ally McBeal

In Being There — Cage defends Renee against assault charges; a home pregnancy test reveals that Georgia is pregnant.

The Practice on Star World at 12 midnight

In Save The Mule — A drug dealer's operative is taken into custody after she attempted to smuggle cocaine into the US by swallowing drug-filled prophylactics. A man who believes he has been a fugitive from justice for twenty-five years comes forward. A group of cancer victims with a seemingly unwinnable case approach Berlutti for help.

CHANNEL [V]

7:30 Tea With [V] 8:00 Virtual 8:30 Tea With [V] 9:00 [V] Jobshop 9:30 Tea With [V] 10:00 [V] Line Lagao 10:30 [V] Hit Machine 12:45 [V] Bheja Fry 1:00 [V] FDFS 1:50 Hit Machine 2:30 Challenge 3:00 [V] Hit Machine 4:30 Tea With [V] 5:00 Virtual [V] 5:30 Tea With [V] 6:00 [V] Gone India 6:30 Tea With [V] 7:00 [V] Line Lagao 7:30 [V] Hit Machine 8:30 [V] Crossword 9:00 [V] Hit Machine 9:30 [V] FDFS 10:00 [V] Hit Machine 10:30 [V] Latentnight [V] 11:30 [V] Whatznotes [V] 12:30 [V] Latentnight [V] 2:00 [V] Patigali [V] 2:30 [V] Latentnight [V] 3:30 [V] Hit Machine



French Lieutenant's Woman on Star Movies at 7 pm

STAR PLUS

6:30 Ninaad 7:30 Good Morning India 9:30 TVC 10:00 Good Morning India 12:00 Rendezvous With Simi Garewal 12:30 TVC 1:00 Hit Ya Fit 1:30 Viraasat 2:00 Main 2:30 Swabhimaan 3:00 I Love My India 3:30 Hera Pheri 4:00 Is Duniya Ke Sitare 4:30 Toli Baba Ki 5:00 Doogie Howser 5:30 The Wonder Years 6:00 Small Wonder 6:30 Zaban Sambhalke 7:00 Hit Ya Fit 7:30 Star News (Hindi) 8:00 Say Cheese 8:30 Tanha 9:30 Star News 10:00 3-2-1 10:30 Picture This 11:00 Aaj Ki Baat 11:30 A Mouthful of Sky 12:00 Star News Late Night Edition 12:30 The Bold And The Beautiful 1:00 Brittas Empire 1:30 Space Island One 2:30 Jewel the Crown 3:30 Snowy River McGregor Saga 4:30 Media TV 5:00 The Bold And The Beautiful 5:30 The Oprah Winfrey Show

STAR WORLD

6:00 Aerobics Oz Style 6:30 Hollywood Squares 7:00 Brittas Empire 7:30 Jack Hanna's Animal Adventure 8:00 2 Point 4 Children 8:30 Newhart 9:00 LA Heat 10:00 The Pretender 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show 12:00 NYPD Blue 1:00 The Bold And The Beautiful 1:30 Daily Series: Tropical Heat 2:30 Fashion TV 3:00 Jack Hanna's Animal Adventure 3:30 2 Point 4 Children 4:00 Hollywood Squares 4:30 World News 5:00 Asia News Update 5:15 World Business Report 5:30 Home Improvement 6:00 Buffy The Vampire Slayer 6:45 Asia News Update 7:00 Series- Ally McBeal 8:00 The Practice 9:00 The Bold And The Beautiful

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STAR MOVIES

7:30 Thriller: White Sands (15) 9:30 Drama: The Brothers McMullen (15) 11:30 Comedy: Star Maps (15) 1:15 Action: Commando (15) 3:15 Thriller: White Sands (15) 5:00 Drama: The Brothers McMullen (15) 7:00 Drama: French Lieutenant's Woman 9:30 El Bts 10:00 Double Bill: Hearts Of Fire-Romeo And Juliet (1996) (15) 12:15 Double Bill: Hearts Of Fire-Dealers (1989) (15) 2:15 Romance: Desiree (Pg) 4:15 El Ths: Christian Brando 5:15 Drama: French Lieutenant's Woman

PTV-2

8:00 Tilwat Aur Tarjuma/Hamd/Naat 8:20 Cartoon 8:30 Khabrain 8:45 Mansoobajaat Barai Khud Kafalat 9:00 Sur Savaria & Sehra Ka Safar & Sada-E-Kasimr 9:40 Shana Ba Shana 9:50 Aaj Ki Kitaab+Alk Nazm 10:05 Boor Kay Ladoo 10:30 English Film: Chip And Dale 10:55 Milli Naghma 11:00 Khabrain 11:10 Serial 11:35 Serial 12:00 Urdu Khali 12:55 Quran-e-Hakeem 1:02 Bismillah 1:15 Drama Serial 2:00 Serial 2:50 The Earth Revealed 3:20 Arashi Puda 3:40 Natural World 4:35 How Things Work 5:00 Yeh Mumk In Hae 5:25 Hamara Sehat 5:55 Kitab Quiz 6:25 Aioi Courses 7:00 Taranum 7:05 Felix The Cat (Cartoon) 7:30 Such Gup 7:45 English News 8:00 Morven Gold Raceway 8:25 Girt 8:55 PTV Gold (Prog) 9:00 Break for Headline News 9:20 Aap Ki Anwar Maqsood 10:00 Khabrain & Commercial News 11:00 Serial 12:00 NYPD Blue (Series) 12:45 Khas Khabrain/Close Down

ZEE INDIA TV

7:00 Jagran 7:30 to 11:30 PM Every Half Hour - Zee News Hindi 12:00 The Ent. Show 12:30 News in Hindi 12:57 News Headlines 1:00 Zee Sports Show 1:30 Session With Seshan 2:00 Centre Stage 2:30 Facille 3:00 Agenda 2:00 3:30 Helpline 4:00 Teer Kaman 4:30 Vision Beyond 50

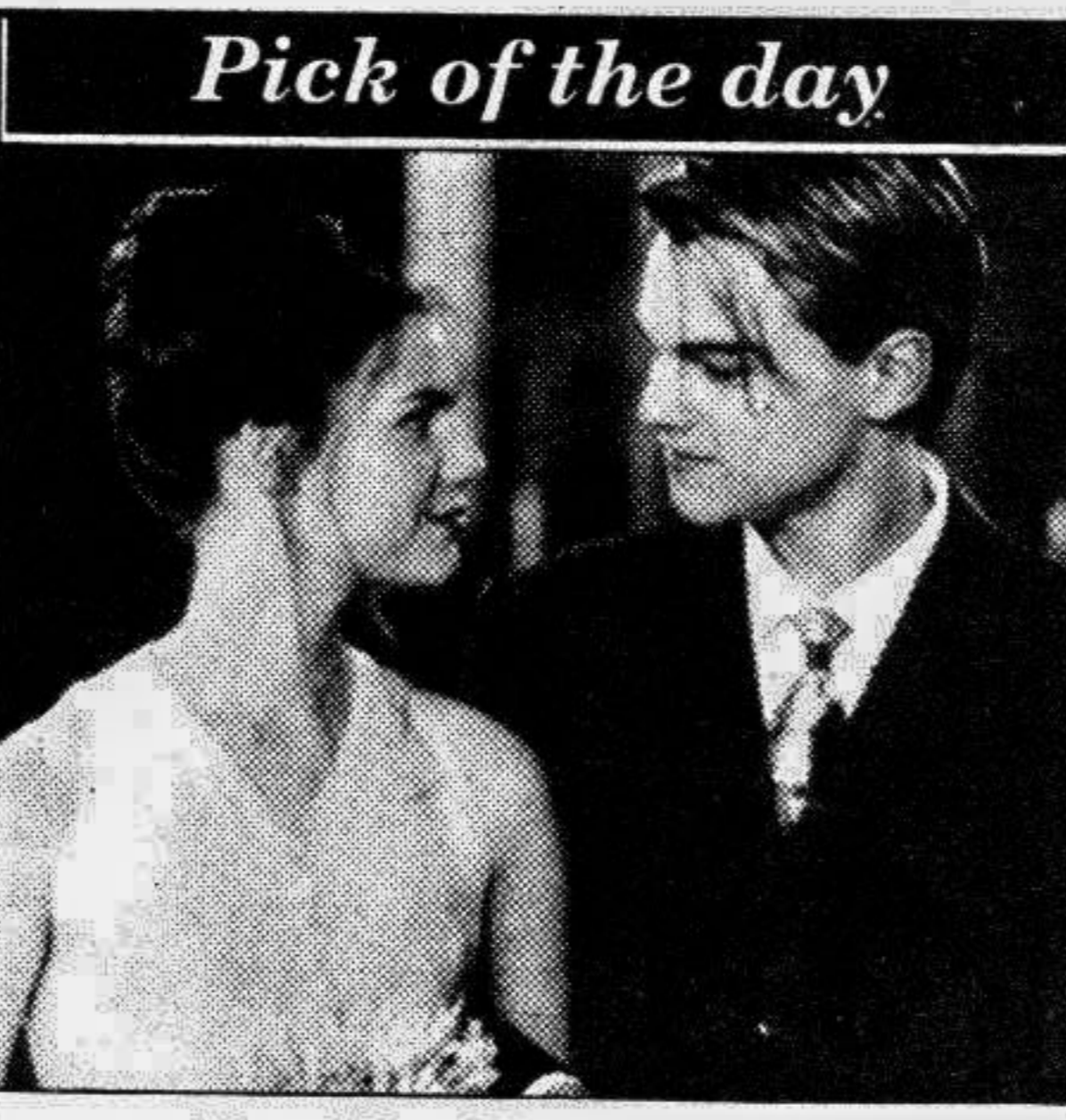
MTV INDIA

7:00 Non-Stop Hits 8:00 MTV Hanging Out VJ Rahul/Sonia 9:00 Classic MTV VJ Sarah/Rahul 10:00 Non-Stop Hits 10:30 MTV Most Wanted VJ Nadya 11:30 MTV Chill Out VJ Shehnaz/Amrita/Nikhil 12:30 MTV Hit Film Music 1:00 MTV Housefull VJ Nalisha 1:30 MTV Fresh VJ Rahul 2:00 MTV Party 2:30 MTV Select VJ

Nikhil 3:30 Love Line VJ Malaika 4:00 Non-Stop Hits 4:30 Pepsi Dance Connection Special- TV MTV 5:30 MTV Wanted VJ Nadya/Rahul 6:30 MTV Chill Out VJ Shehnaz/Amrita/Nikhil 7:30 MTV In Control - Cricket 8:30 TBA 9:00 Non-Stop Hits 9:30 MTV Hit Film Music 10:00 Housefull VJ Nalisha 10:30 Non-Stop Hits 11:30 The Grind (Beach Show) 12:30 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 Fall 10:30 Hit Mix 11:00 Colgate Zig Zag Best Of The Day 11:30 Bajaj Music Box 12:00 World



Pick of the day

Double: Hearts Afire

Romeo and Juliet at 10 pm
Starring Leonardo DiCaprio and Claire Danes
Director Baz Luhrmann's cinematic interpretation of Shakespeare's famous story of star-crossed lovers Romeo and Juliet, has won widespread critical acclaim around the globe. Set in contemporary times Leonardo DiCaprio stars as the handsome young Romeo whose love for Claire Dane's Juliet knows no bounds despite their respective families' absolute hatred of each other

DD CHANNEL-1 (National)

5:55 Vande Matarangam & Thought of The Day 6:00 DV Music: Aradhana 6:30 For The Universities UGC Programmes 7:00 UGC Programmes 7:30 Samachar 7:45 Suba Sabera 8:30 Business Plus 8:45 The News 9:00 Suba Sabera 9:30 Palsha 10:00 UGC Programmes 10:30 Tarang 11:30 Young 12:30 Aurat 1:00 Aparajita 1:30 Ithaas 2:00 Waq: Ki Raftar 2:30 News in Hindi 2:40 News in English 2:50 Roop Suhane 3:00 Aap Ki Shanti 3:30 Ujala 4:00 Tea Time Monoranjana 4:30 Anjuman 5:00 Bhanjan 5:15 Ankur 5:30 Weekly Sports 6:00 Programme on Environment 6:15 Sab Rang 6:30 Kala Parikrama 7:05 Rural Woman 7:30 Samachar 8:00 Ajab Ajooba 8:25 Chitrahar 9:00 Samachar 9:30 News 10:00 Aawaz Ki Duniya 10:30 Anjali 11:02 Serial 11:32 Vidhan 12:02 Telebrand Show (Underrun Closed)

DD 7 (Bangla)

10:30 Janmadin (Birthday Greetings) 10:35 Daily Sopa: Shree Ram Krishna 11:00 Daily Sopa: Dropadi (Rupa, Ganguli, Suneetra, Kushal, Sankar) 11:15 Classical/Folk Songs 11:30 Parliament Hour/Musical 12:30 Daily Sopa: Kunja Villa 1:00 Daily Sopa: Aakash

SONY TV

7:30 Aatma 8:00

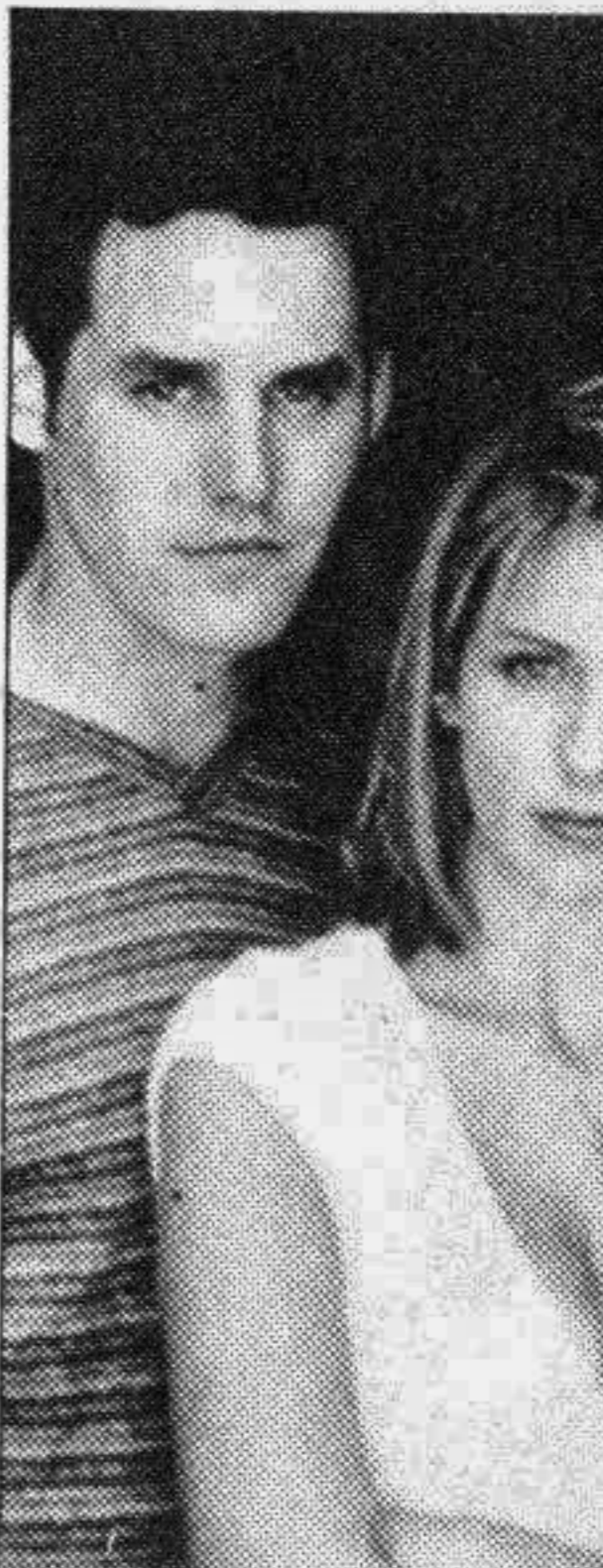
Ka Suraj 4:00 Ank Ajoobe 4:30 World Sports 5:30 Darkwing Duck 6:00 Nani Kahe Kahani 6:30 Tom & Jerry 7:00 Heads & Tails 7:30 Sangeet Anand 7:50 Entertainment Now/Cinema Cinema 8:00 Nature Calls 8:30 Kuchh Is Tarah 9:00 Didi Ka Dulha 9:30 Sher Mere Aar 10:00 Padosan 10:30 Aaj Taak (News) 10:50 TBA 11:05 Hello Zindagi 11:30 Silent Reech 12:00 Crime Busters Drriek

DD Int'l

9:30 Opening & News in English 9:45 Business Plus 10:00 Film Ki Dunia May (Film Magazine) 10:30 Hello! Zindagi/India This Week (Reporting) 11:00 Light Music 11:15 Junoon (Ramesh Sippy's Serial) 11:45 Saaf Pher (Jaya Bachchan's Serial) 12:15 Movie Fare 11:30 Film Show: 2:30 Madhyantar 2:45 Making Of A Legend 3:15 Film Show: 6:15 Top Noptch 6:30 Geet Bahaar 6:45 Film Baatein 7:15 Film Show: 10:30 Film Show: 1:45 Ghari Detergent Cine Magic 2:15 Film Show

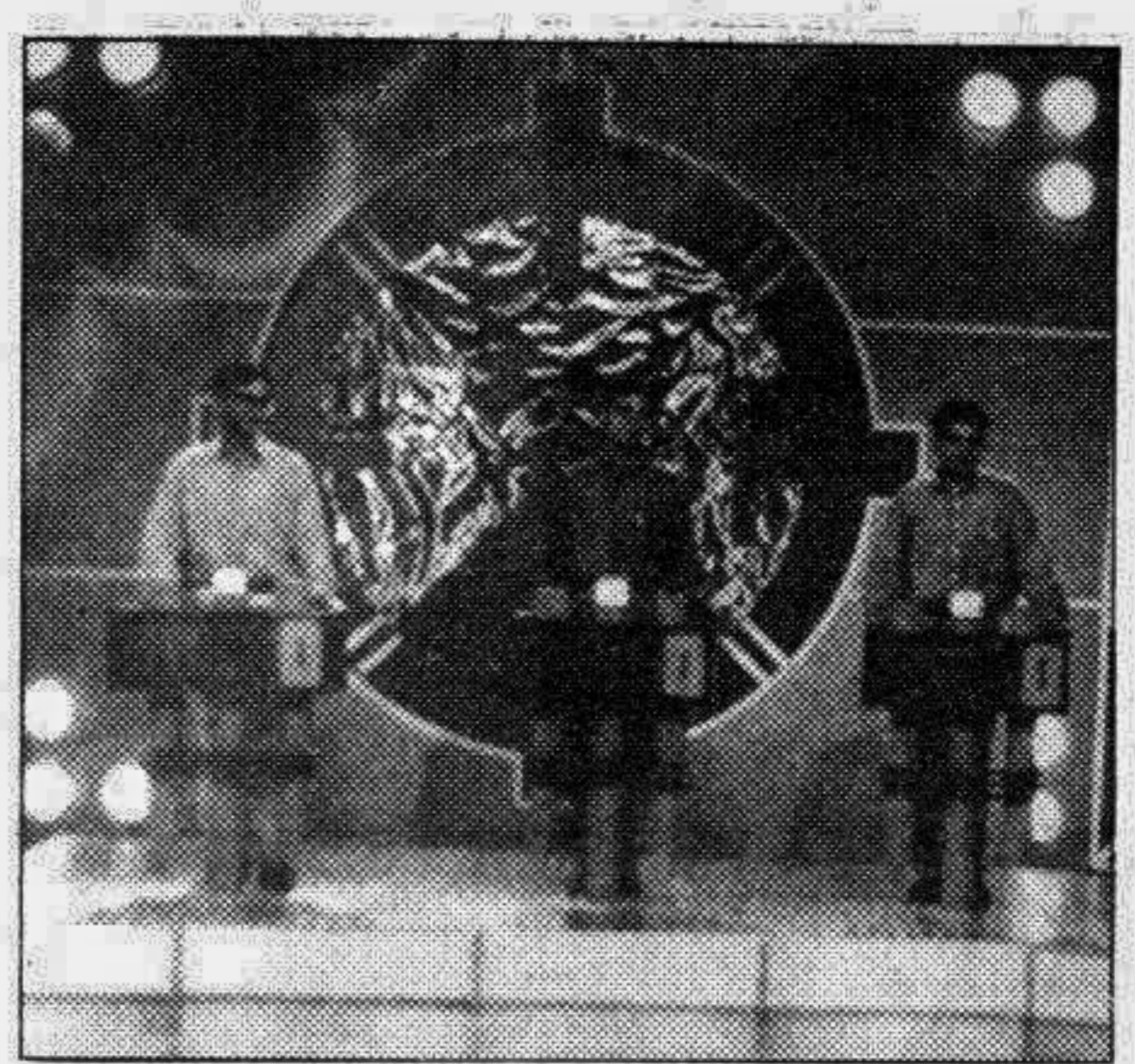
CARTOON NETWORK

5:30 World Famous Toons 6:30 The Real Adventure of Johnny 7:00 Tom & Jerry Kids 7:30 The Popeye Show 8:00 Scooby & Scrappy D 8:30 Perils Of Penelope 9:00 Josie & Pussycat 9:30 Drink The Little 10:00 Filmstone Kids 10:30 Riche Rich 11:00 Top Cat 11:30 Captain Planet 12:00 Scooby Doo 12:30 The Cartoon Grand Prix 1:30 Fantastic Max 2:00 Crocodile 2:30 The New Scooby Doo Myles 3:30 Sky Commanders 4:00 Centurions 4:30 Swats Kats 5:00 Ninja Robots 5:30 Filmstone 6:00 Top & Jerry Kids 6:30 Crocodile 7:00 The Mask 7:45 Desters Laboratory 7:45 Whats a Cartoon! Show 8:00 The Addams Family 8:30 Scooby Doo Where Are You 9:00 The Popeye Show



Buffy The Vampire Slayer

on Star World at 10 pm
In What's My Line? — Part One — Spike brings in three professional bounty hunters to eliminate Buffy while she ponders what her profession might be if her fate wasn't already sealed.



3-2-1 on Star Plus at 10 pm

ZEE CINEMA

8:15 Film Show: 11:15 Movie Fare 11:30 Film Show: 2:30 Madhyantar 2:45 Making Of A Legend 3:15 Film Show: 6:15 Top Noptch 6:30 Geet Bahaar 6:45 Film Baatein 7:15 Film Show: 10:30 Film Show: 1:45 Ghari Detergent Cine Magic 2:15 Film Show

DISCOVERY CHANNEL

12:30 Eyewitness Life +1:00 Two Worlds 1:30 Extreme Machines Image Possible 2:30 Quest: The Origins Of Our Beliefs 3:30 Discovery Profile Series 4:30 Next Step Ep. 110 5:00 Ultrascience Cybermind 5:30 Beyond 2000 Ep. 234 6:00 Splat! Ep. 19 6:30 Ushuaia Ep. 19 7:30 Outer Bounds Ep. 6 8:00 High Adventure Ep. 19 8:30 Travellers New Zealand 9:30 Superetics Marrakech 10:00 Intimate Escapes Ladispoli, Italy 10:30 Great Mysteries and Myths 11:00 A New World The Sound Tracker 11:30 Wild Guide Ep. 7 12:00 Lost Animals of the 20th Century Ep. 3 12:30 Equinox Gloria's

AXN ACTION TV

7:30 Highlander I #Ep: Nowhere To Run 8:30 Ghostsweeper 9:00 Yamato Takeru (Cartoon) 9:30, Extremists 10:00 Xtreme Sports -2 10:30 Police Rescue #Ep- Loaded Boy 11:30 AXN The Series 12:00 Who Dares Wins 12:30 Highlander I #Ep-Hunters 1:30 Profiler #Ep- Medusa's Child 2:30 MOVIE: Nemesis 4:30 Ghostsweeper 5:00 Yamato Takeru (Cartoon) 5:30 Extremists 6:00 Xtreme Sports -2 6:30 MOVIE: Dollars 8:30 AXN The Series 9:00 Who Dares Wins 9:30 Air America #Ep- Miracle 10:30 Silk Stalking #Ep- Irreconcilable Dil 11:30 MOVIE: King Rat 1:30 Air America #Ep- Miracle 2:30 Highlander I #Ep- Hunters 3:30 AXN The Series 4:00 Who Dares Wins 4:30 Xtreme Sports -2 5:30 Silk Stalking #Ep- Irreconcilable Dil 6:30 Police Rescue #Ep- Loaded Boy

HOME TV

8:00 Club 700 8:30 Mantinee show 9:00 Chalte Chalte 9:15 Cartoons 10:00 Action Drama 10:45 Pehli Nazar 11:00 First Cut 11:30 A Kind Of Magic 12:00 Popularly Yours 12:30 Satya 1:00 Tele Shopping Network 1:30 Tele Brands 2:00 Kabhi Idher Kabhi Udher 2:30 Panther 3:00 Zaban Sambhal Ke 3:30 Haqeeqat 4:00 Jaane Kya Tone Kahi 4:30 Haliwood Hangames 5:00 Tele Shopping Network 5:30 Chalte Chalte 5:45 Cartoons 6:30 Action Drama 7:15 Pehli Nazar 8:30 Ga Mere Man Gya 9:30 Hit-Hit Hurray 10:30 Aao Guesh Karen 11:00 Satya 11:30 Matinee Show 12:00 Safar 12:30 Amma & Family 1:00 Kabhi Idher Kabhi Udher 1:30 Duniya Goli Hai