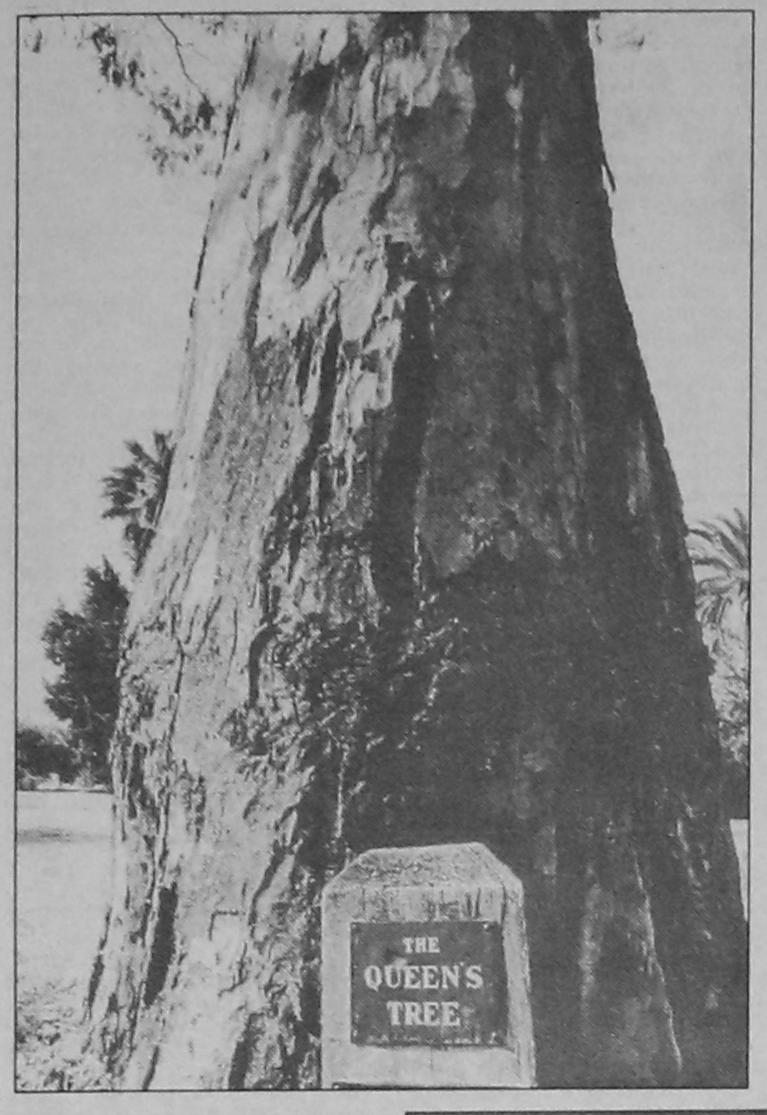
# Culture

# A Subjective Portrayal of Weaving Emotions into A Nation

A photography exhibition sees Australia through an Indian eye





By Ziaul Karim

TN 1998 an Indian photographer received a grant to hphotograph in Australia and being conscious of the fact that the camera provides 'more than just photographic description', Satish Sharma, the lensman, tried to trample over the clichés to explore more 'interactive and representative Portrayal'. The week-long photographic exhibition titled Australia: Portraying a Nation opened yesterday at the Shilpakala Gallery is a poignant exploration of life and culture in Australia.

Satish basically interested in divergent photographic practices and genres began his photographic journey in Australia with popular documentary style and also challenged the snapshot aesthetics. The result is Australia: Portraying a Nation. He has not only captured the images of life in Australia but also critically analysed his modus operandi and

process in writing.

how Satish approach his image into flag of the conqueror. creation. The Queen's Tree for

shed light on his photographic him is being loaded with political connotations. The eucalyp-For want of better words let tus at Kings Park overlooking us call his work photo essays. Perth that has been captured The photograph titled The through his lens was planted by Queen's Tree: Eucalyptus and a British queen. What he finds the essay that accompany the striking is the underlying symphoto gives one the some idea bolism which turns the tree

comes out of the show is that Satish wants to emphasize that no image is apolitical and every society 'wants to construct its own image by controlling what you shoot and by conditioning your response.' This was his response when he saw the brass plate set in the pavement in Canberra called Kodak Photopoint. This is a point where one has to stand to photograph the site. Satish argues that the Photopoint is not only fixing where you would stand to shot the site but also dictating your point of view.

An encounter with Satish's work at Shilpakala gallery would shake our traditional perception of photography and would convince us to agree with him that 'photographs, today, outnumber bricks and construct contemporary cultures more subtly but surely than the that build civilizations'.

The exhibition will remain open from 11 in the morning until 7in the evening everyday up to April 10. The Friday tim-One predominant thesis that ing of the gallery is 3 to 7pm.

# Tapestry

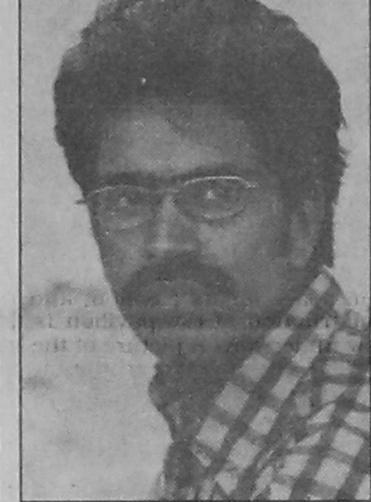
Chandan's tapestry exhibition titled Tanaporen opening Friday blends modernist spirit into the age-old craft

APESTRY as an art form has never been popular among our artists. And despite one of our frontranking artist's, Rashid Choudhury, passionate work and sincere attempt to popularize it in the 60s went in vain. After Choudhury Chandan, who is going to hold his solo show of tapestry at Zainul Gallery, is another loner in the crusade to promote tapestry at the level of beaux art.

His draws his inspiration from the weavers known as tantis giving shape to the fine fabrics by weaving beautiful traditional motifs on it. He traditional method of weaving on looms has influenced him deeply. He borrows motifs from traditional designs in folk art and blends his creativity to transform them into hanging scrolls and yarn sculptures in wool, cotton, jute, leather and other fibers.

He loves to create rope hangers and mostly follows folk colour scheme. The textural variations which is key to his designs is obtained through various types of weaves and pil-

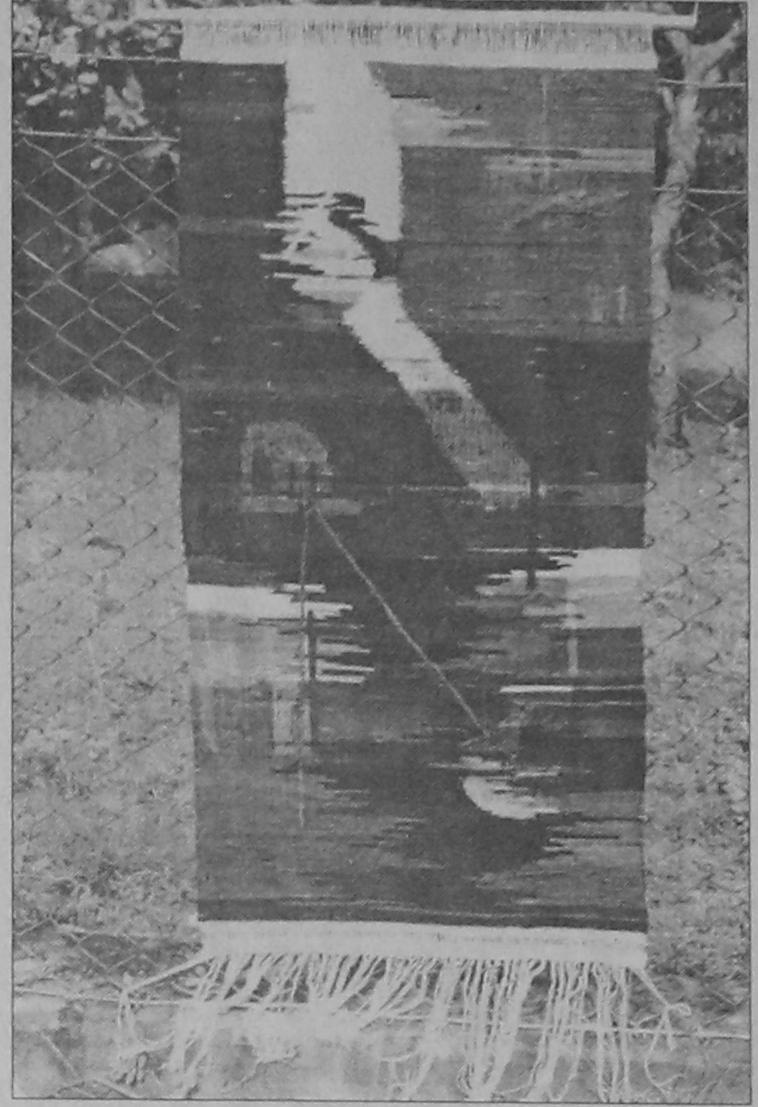
Though he draws heavily from traditional forms and designs, he moves smoothly out of the known boundaries of



Chandan Shafiqul Kabir

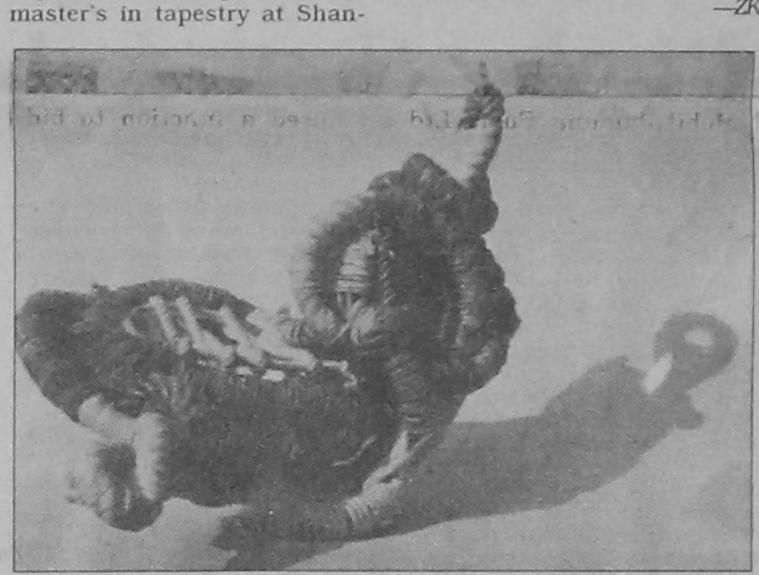
tapestry to give expression to his abstract ideas. In his more abstract forms one would have a certain sculpturesque feel. This has been achieved because of his grasp of other mediums of visual art.

Born in the idyllic rural setup of Narsingdi and watching weavers striking out beautiful



designs, Chandan developed an tiniketan. . keen sense of traditional desity of Dhaka, he persuade his from 2 to 8pm.

The week-long show will be signs. After completing his inaugurated on April 7 at 5pm Bachelors degree from Univer- and remain open to all everyday



## TV. Guide.

Wednesday 5th April

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

3:20 Open University 4:00 ness Report 10:30 Face To Face Khabar 4:05 Programme on India (Presenter- Karan Tha-Health 4:20 Shaymol Chhaya par) 11:00 BBC World News 5:00 Nitol-Tata International 11:35 World Business Report Football League, Live from 11:45 World Sport 12:30 Sher-e-Bangla National Sta- HARDtalk (Presenter- Tim Sedium 6:00 Khabar 7:00 Weather bastin) 1:30 Top Gear 2:00 BBC report 7:05 Geetabitan 7:25 News 2:30 World Business Re-Nupur Nikkan 8:00 News in port 3:00 BBC World News 3:30 Bangla 8:20 Drama Serial: The Money Programme Kaalpurush 9:00 Film Show: (Presenter- Maya Eveb) 4:30 Robinhood 10:00 News at Ten World Business Report 5:00 BBC ishti-o-Sristi 11:30 Khabar/ Report/24 Hours The News 11:45 Closing

## Morning

6:00 Islamic Programme 6:32 Drama Serial 7:10 Films Songs 7:50 Drama Serial 8:25 Musical Prog. 9:00 Musical Prog. 9:35 Drama Serial 10:10 Drama Serial 10:45 Bangla Film-Gangchil

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## BBC WORLD

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7:30 Thriller: The Edge (15) 9:30 Drama: Manhunter (15) 11:30 Sci-Fi: Urge To Kill 1:30 Action: Blood: Rambo-1 (\*Sylvester Stalon) (15) 3:30 Drama: Dangerous Minds (PG) 5:15 Thriller: Diabolique (\*Sharon Ston) (15) 7:15 Romance: The Object of My Affection (15) 9:30 E! BTS 10:00 Hearts Of Fire: The Myth of The Male Orgasm (\*Bruce Dinsmore, Mirande De Pencier, Ruth Marshall, Macha Grenon) (15) 12:00 Thriller: Diabolique (\*Sharon Ston) (15) 2:00 Drama: Dangerous Minds (PG)

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6:30 Two Guys A Girl And A 1:30 Rupkatha 2:00 Kanakanjali 2:30 Daily Soap 3:00 Maha Probhu 3:30 Mohini 3:55 Bhul Thikanay 4:20 Shudhu Gaaner Din 4:45 Nepali Programme 5:05 Ghare Baire/Sahitaya 5:30 The Chicken Pox (\*Jennifer News 5:40 Jibeeka Samachar 5:50 Palli Katha 6:10 Astaraag (Serial) 6:40 Khas Khabar 6:50 Janmabhumi 7:30 Bangla Sambad 8:00 Prasangik/Darshaker Darbare 8:30 Modern Songs 9:00 Janmabhumi 9:30 Daily Soap Dropadi 10:00 Khas Khabar 10:10 Bengali Movie

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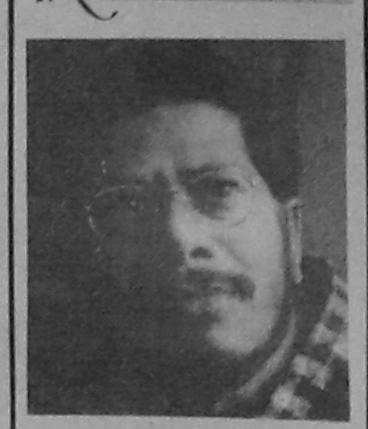
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## Discovery Channel

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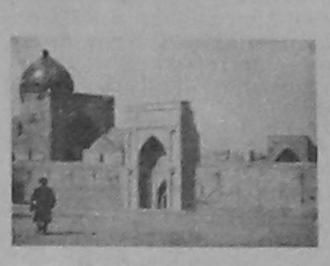
## (ECOMMENDATIONS



Shishir's Exhibition at 21

The solo painting exhibi-tion by Shishir Bhatty-acharjee started yesterday at the Gallery 21. The exhibition by this trenchant social critic and caricaturist is really an event to look forward to. The exhibition was inaugurated by Artist Quyum Chowdhury, while Matiur Rahman, Editor of the daily Phothom Alo was

present as special guest. The exhibition will remain open from 10.00 am to 8.00 pm till April 10.



## The Wandering Lens

"From Shiraz to Samarkand, Himalaya and some more that is how the up coming exhibition of the revered Indian photographer Deb Mukharji's exhibition is described. The inauguration of the exhibition will be held on April 7 at 5pm at Drik Gallery.



## Children Art Biennial

Month-long painting ex-hibition of the 2nd International Children Art Biennial Bangladesh 2000 began on April 1 at the Bangladesh Shishu

Academy. Dr S A Malek, Political Advisor to the Prime Minister was present as chief guest on the occasion, while Professor Zinnatun Nesa Talukdar, State Minister for Women and Children Affairs, Professor Abdur Razzaque and Professor Hashem Khan of Institute of Fine Arts, University of Dhaka were present as special guests.

The function followed by a cultural soiree. The exhibition will remain open till April 30 from 11.00 am to

### Australia-Portraying a Nation

Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy and the Australian High Commission in Bangladesh has organised a week-long photography exhibition titled 'Australia-Portraying a Nation.' The inaugural ceremony of the exhibition was held on April 4 at 5.00 pm at the Academy

Gallery. Obaidul Quader, State Minister for Youth, Sports and Cultural Affairs was present as chief guest on the occasion. Robert Flynn, High Commissioner of Australia in Bangladesh was also present as special guest at the ceremony.



Shamim Sikder's Solo

Always talked about in and outside the artistic circles, Shamim Sikder is quite a colourful personality in our art firmament. The solo show that opened on March 31 at Designer's Den Gallery is her first since

Born in 1953 in Faridpur, Shamim participated in three-year course on sculpture conducted by famous French sculpture Siviski. Between 1969 and 1974 she won four Fine Arts Award for sculpture. Her debut show front-ranking artist Aminul Islam was present special guest. The week-long show will run until April 6 and will remain open for visitors from 10 am to 8 pm everyday.