

Water Sprinkling Festival Welcomes Myanmar New Year

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mark the Myanmar New Year 1362, which falls on April 16 and coincides with the Bangla New Year 1407. Myanmar Ambassador U Win in Dhaka and Daw San San Nwe of Myanmar New Year Water Sprinkling Festival and on at the Embassy on Friday morning. The occasion was attended by the Diplomatic and Palestinian Ambassadors Mohammad Shahta, the actors, High Commissioners, diplomats, officials, industrialists, business and Bengali nationals used each other with water profusely in a mood. Myanmar girls joined with traditional in tune with the water

festival to the audience. There are three reasons for pouring or sprinkling water during THINGYAN. First, it is done as a symbol of washing away the impurities of the old year. Second, to relieve the intense heat of April which is the hottest month of the year. No wonder most people welcome it and no one seemed to mind it. The Third is simply to have fun and joy.

The Myanmar Ambassador and Madame also hosted water festival and reception in the afternoon to local Rakhine, Marma and Barua nationals including Bangali community residing in Dhaka. They participated in water splashing event with up-beat activities in festive mood.



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RECOMMENDATIONS

Chandra Shekhar Dey

A ten daylong exhibition by Chandra Shekhar Dey started at the Gallery 21 on April 21. Artist Mostafa Monwar was inaugurated the exhibition as chief guest while artist Rafiqun Nabi, Monirul Islam and Syed Abdullah Khalid was also present as special guests. The exhibition will remain open to all from 10.00am till 8.00pm till April 30.

Calcutta: People and Nature

Solo photography exhibition titled 'Calcutta: People and Nature' was inaugurated on April 21 at the cafeteria of Alliance Francaise de Dhaka. Ahaduzzaman M Ali, chairperson, Mass Communication and Journalism Department, University of Dhaka inaugurated the exhibition as chief guest, while Shubir Choudhury, director, Department of Fine Arts, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy and Zakul Haq, course director, Dhaka Film Institute was also present as special guests.

These photographs were taken during the four-month cinematography workshop conducted by Chitrabani (social communication centre), Calcutta, India. The exhibition will remain open to all from 9.00am - 12.00pm and 5.00pm - 8.00pm till April 27 (except on Saturday).



Kibria

The long-awaited exhibition by Mohammed Kibria, which was postponed for unavoidable reasons opened on Pahela Baishakh, the first day of Bengali new year. Organised by the Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, the exhibition was inaugurated on Friday (Apr 14) at 5.00 pm at House No 275/F, Road 27, Dhanmandi, Dhaka.

The exhibition was inaugurated by artist Shafiquddin Ahmed.

Rickshaw Painting

Uzzal Arts will present a collection of Rickshaw plates at the Gallery of Alliance Francaise de Dhaka from April 28.

Ontorey Bangladesh

A literary, cultural and social organisation Ontorey Bangladesh has arranged a self composed poetry recitation and musical evening on the occasion of Bengali New Year. The cultural evening will be held in the conference room of Alliance Francaise de Dhaka on April 22 at 6.00pm.

Satyajit Ray Retrospective

In commemoration of the 79th birth anniversary and the 8th death anniversary of eminent filmmaker Satyajit Ray (2nd May, 1921-23rd April, 1992), Zahir Raihan Film Society and the High Commission of India have jointly organized a retrospective of films made by Satyajit Ray. These films will be screened as per following schedule at the High Commission of India Auditorium at Road No. 2, Dhanmandi. A seminar on Satyajit Ray's Films will be held on Sunday, 23rd April, 2000 at 5 pm. The seminar will be followed by screening of the film Kanchanjungha.

Date	Time	Name of the Film
23.4.2000	5:00 pm	Seminar, Film Show Kanchanjungha
24.4.2000	6:15 pm	The Music Room
25.4.2000	6:15 pm	The Goddess
26.4.2000	6:15 pm	The Lovely Wife
27.4.2000	6:15 pm	The Hero
28.4.2000	4:00 pm	The Music of Satyajit Ray (Doc)
	5:15 pm	Rabrananath Tagore
	6:00 pm	Three Daughters
	6:15 pm	The Zoo
30.4.2000	6:15 pm	The Big City
01.5.2000	6:15 pm	The Adventures
02.5.2000	6:15 pm	The Company Limited
03.5.2000	6:15 pm	The Middleman
04.5.2000	4:00 pm	Satyajit Ray (Doc)
05.5.2000	6:00 pm	The Coward & The Holy Man
07.5.2000	6:15 pm	Days and Nights in the Forest
08.5.2000	6:15 pm	Disturb Thunder!
09.5.2000	6:15 pm	The Chess Player
10.5.2000	6:15 pm	Home and the World
11.5.2000	6:15 pm	The Public Enemy
12.5.2000	6:00 pm	The Stranger

Limited number of passes can be collected from the High Commission of India, I&C Wing, House No. 121, Road No 3, DRA.

Saturday 22nd April

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

PTV-2

8:00 Tilwat aur Tarjuma/Hamd/Naat/ 8:20 Cartoons 8:30 Khabrain 8:45 Visitors Book 9:10 Phool Khushboo 9:25 Dastarkhawan 9:40 Mehman 10:05 Aap Ki anwar Maqsood 10:30 English Film - 10:55 Milli Naghma 11:00 Khabrain 11:10 Meri Pasand 11:35 Janun 12:55 Quran - E-Hakeem 1:02 Bismillah 1:15 Grind 2:05 Drama Serial: 2:55 Husool-E-Insaf & Sports Coaching 3:20 TV Encyclopedia 3:40 Sports Time 4:05 Serial: 5:05 Medicine 5:25 Computers 6:10 Sunheri Yeadoon 7:00 English News 7:20 PTV Music Library 7:30 Virsa Pakistan 7:55 Ghazal Uss Naye Sairee 8:25 Andaz Apna Apna (Fashion Tips) 8:45 Serial: Nido Bachaa Party 9:00 Break for Headlines News 9:05 Drama- Sila 10:00 Khabrainama & Commercial News 10:05 Hageeqat 10:45 Drama: Sophiya 11:45 Do Sitaree 1:15 Urdu Feature Film - /Khas Khabrain - Close Down.

ZEE NEWS INDIA TV

7:30 Zee News: Hindi 8:00 Morning Show 9:00 Namaste Zee 10:30 Ru-Ba-Ru 11:00 Guftagu 12:00 Ru-Ba-Ru 06:30 The Health Show 07:00 Business News 07:30 The Premier Show 08:00 Zee News: Hindi 08:30 IT Trail 09:00 News In English 09:30 Zee News: Hindi 10:00 Zee Prime Time Show 11:00 NR Eyes 11:30 News In English 12:00 Zee News: Hindi 12:30 AM to 06:30 AM Every Half Hour - Zee News: Hindi

MTV INDIA

7:00 Non Stop Hits 8:00 MTV Party Zone VJ Sonia 8:15 MTV Classic 9:00 MTV Hungout 9:30 Pop Indonesia 10:00 MTV Non-

Stop Hits 11:30 MTV Top 2000 12:30 MTV Hit Film Music 1:00 MTV House Full V Nafisa 1:30 MTV Essential 2:00 MTV Top 2000 2:30 MTV Non-Stop Hits 3:30 MTV Loveline VJ Malaika 4:00 MTV Bakra 4:15 Non-Stop Hits 5:00 MTV Best of Both Worlds 5:30 MTV Most Wanted VJ Shehnaaz 6:30 MTV Fresh VJ Cyrus/Asif/Nikhil 7:30 MTV Cinemascope 8:00 MTV Troolife AIDS special 8:30 MTV Top 2000 9:30 MTV Hit Film Music 10:00 House Full VJ Nafisa 10:30 Non-Stop Hits 11:00 MTV Loveline VJ Malaika 11:30 The Grind 12:00 MTV Unplugged 1:00 Non-Stop Hits Continue

MUSIC ASIA

7:30 Aalaap 8:00 Ta Ra Rum 9:00 Brake Fail 10:00 Dil Se 10:30 Hit Mix 11:00 Brake Fail 11:30 Artist of the Fortnight 12:00 Bajaj Music Box 12:30 Saare Ga Ma Classic 1:00 Himani Gold T. Jharokha 2:00 Music Quiz 2:30 Samay Quazet Best of The Best 3:30 Brake Fail 4:30 Bajaj Music Box 5:00 Indu Pop Ka Baap Kaun 5:30 Hit Mix 6:00 Saare Ga Ma Classic 8:30 Brake Fail 8:00 Jhakaas 8:30 Stars Day Out 9:00 Pop Busters 9:30 Bajaj Music Box 10:00 DSP Sizzlers 10:30 Jharokha 11:00 Music Asia Live 11:30 Shabab 12:00 Music Zone 1:00 Brake Fail 1:30 Himani Gold T. Jharokha 2:00 Bajaj Music Box 2:30 Jhakaas 3:00 Ta Ra Rum 4:00 Music Quiz 4:30 Brake Fail

DD CHANNEL-1

5:55 Vande Mataran 6:15 CIET Programme 6:30 UGC Programmes 7:30 IGNOU Programmes 7:30 Samachar 7:45 Suba Sabera 8:30 The News 9:32 News Magazine 10:00 Serial: Drishtant 10:32 Serial: Swaraj DayaSagar 11:00 Serial: Mayavi Nagari 11:32 Serial: Wilayate Babu 12:00 Serial: Drishtant 12:32 Serial: Swaraj 01:00 Regional Film Show: 2:30 Samachar 2:40 The News 3:32 SportsWorld 6:00 Series: Animal Ark 6:32 Turning Point

7:30 Samachar 8:00 Aap Ki Pasand 8:30 The News 9:00 Samachar 9:32 Sangharsh-Mile Sur Mere Tum Hare 9:55 Sanskritinama 10:05 Serial: Jai Hanuman 11:00 Feature Film In Hindi

DD-7

8:40 Khas Khabar 9:30 Movie Club Film (Last Monday's Repet): 12:30 Movie Club Film (Last Tuesday's Repet): Maa O Maya (*Madhavi, Swarup Dutt) 3:35 Movie Club Film (Last Wednesday's Repet): 5:30 Sambad 6:40 Khas Khabar 7:00 Saptahiki 7:30 Bangla Sambad 8:00 Sikarokti (*Tapas Pal, Sonia, Soma Mukharjee, Arindam) 8:30 Jalsaghar- Barnali 9:00 Special Prog/Katha O Kahini 9:25 Serial: Bangla Aamra 10:00 Khas Khabar 10:20 Mokho Mukhi 10:50 News & Bengali Sambad 11:20 Shantantik 11:40 Shoni Basor & Closed

ALPHA TV

6:30 Aalaap 7:00 Kee Darun Dreshow 7:30 Monibaar 8:00 Serial: Grihalakshmeer Junn 8:30 Serial: Bhorer Alo 9:00 Shyaola (*Kushal Banerjee, Pallab, Sabbosachi, Biplob Chatargee) 9:30 Serial: Jiban Jehan 10:00 Serial: Ek Akasher Niche 10:30 Serial: Hiyaar Majhe 11:00 Serial: Daag 11:30 Serial: Annu Bhuvan 12:00 Serial: Ekushe Pa 12:30 Serial: Shyaola (*Kushal Banerjee, Pallab, Sabbosachi, Biplob Chatargee) 1:00 Sanghaat 1:30 Khana Khazana 2:00 Serial: Aamra Probashit#8 2:30 Bangla Movie- Parbat Priya (*Tapas Pall, Devshri, Mohuya Roy) 5:00 Bharat Bhroman 5:30 Asian Sky Shop 6:00 Serial: Aanaar Tumi 6:30 Serial: Reen (*Navanit Nishan, Mohan Vardar) 7:00 Zee Jalsa 7:30 News In Bangali 8:00 Serial: Shoni-Robi Mogar Chobi #6 8:30 Serial: Half Chocolate #8 9:00 Serial: Nil Chander Alo 9:30 Serial: Guest House 10:00 News In Bangali 10:30 Serial: Jiban Jehan 11:00 Serial: Shyaola (*Kushal Banerjee, Pallab, Sab-

bosachi, Biplob Chatargee) 11:30 Serial: Hiyaar Majhe 12:00 Daag 12:30 Bharat Bhroman 1:00 Grihosajja 1:30 Bangla Movie- Parbat Priya (*Tapas Pall, Devshri, Mohuya Roy) 4:00 Serial: Reen 4:30 Serial: Shoni-Robi Mogar Chobi #5

ETV

2:00 PM Hercules(Rpt) 3:00 PM Shoni Barer Bol- Ashig Priya 6:00 PM European Football Show 7:00 PM Wildlife on One "Prani Jagat" Otters 7:30 PM Ekushey Weekend News Bulletin 7:35 PM Rabindra Shangeet 8:00 PM MTV Classics 8:30 PM Bhalbasha Kare Koy 9:00 PM Hollywood Film Night: Hercules 10:00 PM BTV News 10:30 PM Hollywood Film Night: Hercules (contd). 11:30 PM Ekushey News Headlines

SONY TV

7:30 Aatma 8:00 Sant Asaram Wani 8:30 Ramayan #54 9:30 Music Mantra (Trailer Show) 10:00 Chartbusters 10:30 The Good Home Show 11:00 Cook It Up With Tarla Dalal 11:30 Archana Talks 12:30 Cine Matinee Hindi Film 4:00 Udaan 4:30 Mahayaga 5:00 Heena #69 (*Rakhi Bhujan, Siman Singh, Rahul Bhatt, Nina Kulkarni) 5:30 Kanyadaan #26 (*Kiran Kher, Poonam Narula) 6:00 Saaya #72 (*Achimant Kaur, Anup Soni, Aar Mahadev, Monisha) 6:30 Star Yaar Kalakar 7:30 C.I.D. Files Ep- 8:30 Hindi Future Film: Gaurah (*Sanjay Dutt, Bhakti Songs) 9:30 Jagran 7:55 Fitness Plus 8:05 Guldasta 8:30 TVS Sa Re Ga Ma 9:30 Disney

ZEE TV

6:00 Yeadoon Ki Pal (B/W Songs) 6:30 Zee News & Business 7:00 Bhakti Songs 7:30 Jagran 7:55 Fitness Plus 8:05 Guldasta 8:30 TVS Sa Re Ga Ma 9:30 Disney

Hour (Cartoon) 10:30 Ek Nazar 11:00 Koshish 11:30 Yeh Hai Mere Apne 12:00 Raahin 12:30 Ek Nazar 1:00 Nestle- Jhatpat Kazana 1:30 Vijay-Jyoti 2:00 Hum Paanch 2:30 Daayre #39 (*Mostafa Siraj) 3:00 Khub-soorat (Fashion Tips Show) 3:30 Cinema Hits-Hindi Film: Shalimar (*Dharmendra, Zeenat Aman) 6:30 Gaane Anjane 7:00 Disney Hour (Cartoon) 8:00 Guldgee 8:30 Lux Zee Cine Awards 2000 (Rept.) 11:30 Alvida Darling 12:00 Basera 12:30 Janam 1:00 Mrityudand #40 1:30 Hotel Hindustan #8 (*Salish Koushik, Sudher Panda, Soma Anand, Ramon Singh) 2:00 Lakeerein 2:30 Gaane Anjane 3:00 Hindi Feature Film (B/W): Dara Singh (*Dara Singh, Nishi)

DD METRO

7:00 Anhad/Bhakti Sagar 7:30 Saturday Wake Up Show 8:00 Business Mantra 8:30 Cinema Scene 9:00 The First Edition 9:30 The Millennium Journey 10:00 I.T. Digest 10:30 Top Job 11:00 Serial: We Love You 11:30 Serial: Reine Ke Ghar Nahil 12:00 TV Brand 12:30 Serial: Baj Payal 1:00 Be Happy 1:30 Archana Talks 12:30 Cine Matinee Hindi Film 4:00 Udaan 4:30 Mahayaga 5:00 Heena #69 (*Rakhi Bhujan, Siman Singh, Rahul Bhatt, Nina Kulkarni) 5:30 Kanyadaan #26 (*Kiran Kher, Poonam Narula) 6:00 Saaya #72 (*Achimant Kaur, Anup Soni, Aar Mahadev, Monisha) 6:30 Star Yaar Kalakar 7:30 C.I.D. Files Ep- 8:30 Hindi Future Film: Gaurah (*Sanjay Dutt, Bhakti Songs) 9:30 Jagran 7:55 Fitness Plus 8:05 Guldasta 8:30 TVS Sa Re Ga Ma 9:30 Disney

CHANNEL [V]

7:30 [V] Hit Machine 10:30 Virtual [V]/Jobshop 11:00 [V] Hit Machine 12:30 [V] Gona India 1:00 [V] Hit Machine 2:30 [V] Mainstage 3:30 [V] Hit Machine 5:30 [V] Saturday Special 6:30 [V] Hit Machine 7:30 [V] Karaoke 8:00 [V] Hit Machine 8:30 [V] Billboard US Countdown 9:30 [V] Hit Machine 11:30

[V] Saturday Special 12:30 [V] Hit Machine

STAR SPORTS

7:00 Gillette World Sport Special 10:30 WWF Raw 3:00 WWF Spec D- Wrestlingmania 5:00 NBA Inside Stuff 5:30 Fight Time On Fox 6:00 Live- Motor Sports-British Grand Prix 7:30 Live-Cable & Wireless One Day Series 2000- 2nd Final

ESPN

5:30 Live- NHL Playoffs Conference-Quarterfinals Game #5 8:30 Racerhorse Digest 9:00 Cable & Wireless Test Series 2000 Trinidad, West Indies- Zimbabwe Vs West Indies 1st Test, Day 5, Highlights 10:00 ATP Tennis Masters Series By Mercedes-Benz- Monte Carlo By Hsbc Republic Monte Carlo, Monaco Early Round Coverage Day #4 12:00 ATP Tennis Show 12:30 FIH Women's Olympic Qualifiers 2000 Milton Keynes, England- Usa Vs Japan 3rd Pool Vs 4th Pool 2:00 NBA Special: Baj Payal 1:00 Be Happy 1:30 Archana Talks 12:30 Cine Matinee Hindi Film 4:00 Udaan 4:30 Mahayaga 5:00 Heena #69 (*Rakhi Bhujan, Siman Singh, Rahul Bhatt, Nina Kulkarni) 5:30 Kanyadaan #26 (*Kiran Kher, Poonam Narula) 6:00 Saaya #72 (*Achimant Kaur, Anup Soni, Aar Mahadev, Monisha) 6:30 Star Yaar Kalakar 7:30 C.I.D. Files Ep- 8:30 Hindi Future Film: Gaurah (*Sanjay Dutt, Bhakti Songs) 9:30 Jagran 7:55 Fitness Plus 8:05 Guldasta 8:30 TVS Sa Re Ga Ma 9:30 Disney

STAR MOVIES

8:30 Comedy: Cabin Boy (*Chris Elliott, Ritch Brinkley, James Gammon, Ricki Lake) 10:15 Action: Crimson Tide (*Danzel Washington, Gene Hackman, Viggo Mortensen, Matt Craven) (PG) 12:30 Thriller: The Hand That Rocks The Cradle (*Rebecca De Mornay, Annabella Sciorra, Ernie Hudson, Matt McCoy) (12) 2:45 Comedy: Cabin Boy (*Chris Elliott, Ritch Brinkley, James Gammon, Ricki Lake) 4:30 Romance: The Myth of The Male Orgasm (*Bruce Dinsmore, Miranda De Pencier, Ruth Marshall, Macha Grenon) (15) 6:30 Documentary: 100 Years 100 Movies (Family Portraits) 7:30 Action: Rambo-2 (*Sylvester Stallone, Richard Crenna, Charles Napier, Steven Berkoff) (15) 9:30 Us Top Ten 10:00 Thrillennium: Terminal Velocity (*Charlie Sheen, Nastassja Kinski, James Gandolfini, Christopher McDonald) 12:00 Saturday Late Night Movies: When Friendship Kills (15) 1:45 Action: Crimson Tide (*Danzel Washington, Gene Hackman, Viggo Mortensen, Matt Craven) (PG)

ZEE CINEMA

6:30 Film Show- Nag Mera Saath (*Sujit Kumar, Sanjana) 9:30 Chalo Cinema 10:00 Bol-