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Appearing To The Scene

Solo album by Antora Huda comes out

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THE main reason for which many talents remain hidden is because they are not properly patronised and encouraged. Sometimes these talents remain known only to their close ones or relatives, and very often they don't draw the attention of others. This is exactly what happened in the case of Antora Huda.

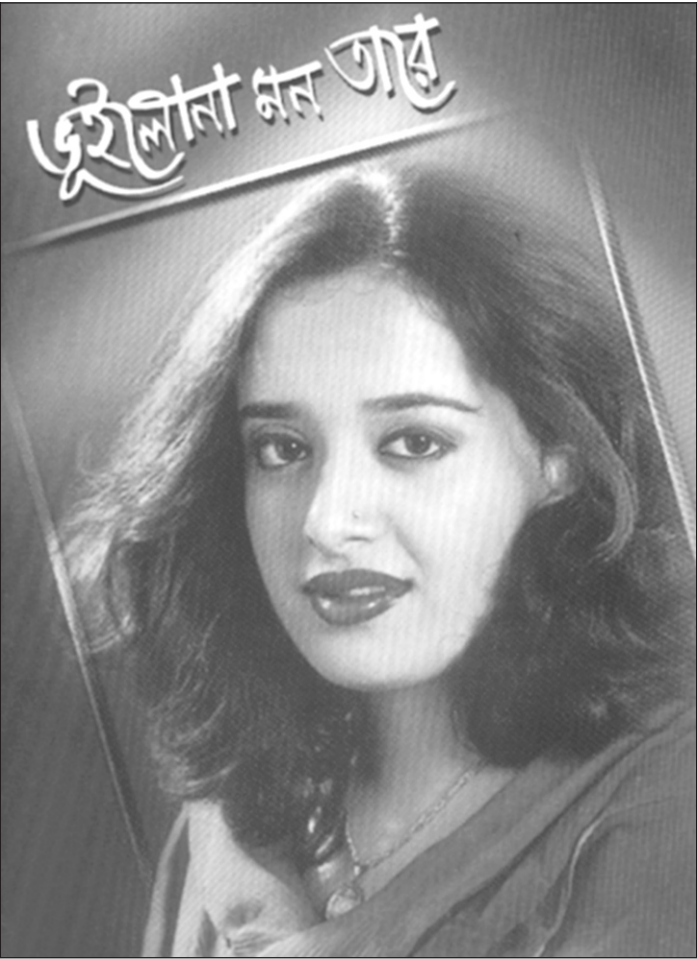
Most of the times, she used to sing at family parties and never even dreamed of bringing out a solo album of her own. Antora Huda has been involved in music since her childhood. Apart from her regular education she took her lessons in music and often performed in various family occasions. But it did not take long for Antora to draw the attention of a music producer. Her first solo album titled Bhuilona Moon Tarey was officially released by Soundtek on January 9 at the Shinepukur Cottage, Gulshan.

Bhuilona Moon Tarey is a collection of famous Bengali folk songs. In this album, some modern instrumental flavours have been added to these ever-green songs and Antora has sung them keeping the original classic feel intact. The album holds a dozen of Bengali folk legacies in it.

Apart from being a rising star Antora has another identity. She is the daughter of former minister Barrister Najmul Huda and Advocate Sigma Huda. So it is clear that she came from a family where music is of great importance as both her parents are singers apart from their law carriers. Antora has completely followed her parent's footsteps and has recently joined Swash Law School in London.

At the cassette-launching ceremony her father Barrister Najmul Huda said that he never thought that his eldest daughter would bring out a solo album of her own. She did not receive the support she needed from him. He also added that it was the musical influence of the family that got her into music.

Among many cultural and business personalities, Abul Khair Litu of Bengal Foundation was also present at the occasion. In his speech, Litu said that he knew Antora personally and admired her as a singer. Advocate Zahirul Islam, who first took the initiative of bringing out the album said that, one day he heard Antora singing at a gathering; he was thrilled to hear her voice and wanted to present this



hidden talent to the public. Shamsur Rahman, chairman Soundtek, said that he is pleased to bring out the album of such a talented singer and the folk songs in it are really catchy.

Reputed singer Andrew Kishore said that he once performed in the same programme with Antora and he believes that she is a very talented and gifted artist. While speaking at the occasion, film personality Ehtesham said that he knew Antora from her childhood and was aware of this talent. He talked about making a movie with all her songs.

After the speech part her grandfather Akbar Kabir officially launched Antora's first solo album. This was followed by a live musical performance by Antora. She started with the song Norikh Bandhore a very popular folk song from her album, which was followed by Nirjan Jamunar Kule. The audience enjoyed her performance and was in all applause. After a short break for the azaan, she again stared with the song Matir Pinjar Mazhe Bondi Hoiya

Kande Hason Raja, a very touchy song. The next song, which Antora performed, was Nishithe Jaiyo Phulobone - a very common and trendy song. Milon Ahmed did the musical remix for her album.

Next Antora performed Chaile Ki Ar Jayre Pawa the one and only song of her album, which was written and composed by Shiekh Wahidur Rahman. After this number singer Jewel came on stage and sang famous folk songs such as Kando Kane Mon, Dakatia Banshi and Amar Bhitore Bahire Antare Antare. After Jewel's performance, Antora came on stage for the last performance of the evening. She sang O Pakhi Uriya Jao Re Surma Nadir Pare.

Hidden talents such as Antora need to be properly evaluated so that the people get to know them and listen to them. All the songs of Antora's album are quite popular and Antora has added more sweetness into them with her sweet voice. There is no doubt that the cassette will be appreciated by the audience.

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Culture

Recommendations

Fashion Show

A fashion show, organised by the students of Design Inspiration, will be held at the auditorium of Bangladesh Institute of Administration & Management (BIAM), 63 New Eskaton, on January 12 at 5:30 p.m. Design Inspiration, established in 1998 with foreign collaboration, is one of the pioneer design institutes of the country. This fashion house is affiliated to Birla Institute of Liberal Arts.

Keeping the fact in mind that people are becoming aware of fashion and design day by day, Design Inspiration is trying to explore the fashion in different ways.

Exhibition



Selected Indonesian exhibitions titled Images from Antara News Agency, The Children of Timore Lorosa'e and The Transfixed Spectator are being held at the Gallery Chitrak, House#21, Road#4, Dhanmondi.

The exhibition will run till January 14 from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. everyday.

Cancellation of Chobi Mela Events

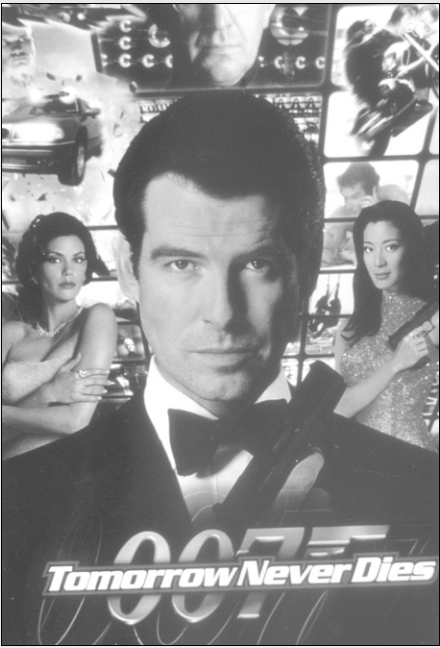
Two exhibitions of Chobi Mela are being cancelled due to unavoidable circumstances. They are namely:

Hasan Saifuddin Chandan's My Photography scheduled to be held at Drik Gallery rooftop from January 6, 2001 and Pablo Bartholomew's Nagas: Marked by Beauty at Indian Cultural Centre gallery from January 7, 2001.

Further information on the new exhibition will be informed soon.

TV GUIDE

PICK OF THE DAY



Tomorrow Never Dies

Tonight on Star Movies at 10:30
When a British naval vessel is sunk off the coast of Vietnam, Eastern and Western officials scramble to piece together what happened. The answer lies hidden somewhere in a media baron's headquarters in Hamburg and only one man is capable of finding it - Bond... James Bond. With his trademark athletic flair and stylish panache, Bond searches for the answer to stop a war created in the name of profit and power in the 18th installment of the longest-running and the most successful film franchise in movie history.

Tomorrow Never Dies stars Pierce Brosnan, Jonathan Pryce, Michelle

10:30 Showbiz Today 11:00 World News 11:30 Q&A (replay) 12:00 World News 12:30 World Report 1:00 World Sport 2:00 World News 2:30 Insight 3:00 Larry King 4:00 World News 4:30 Biz Asia 5:00 Asia Tonight 5:30 World Sport 6:00 World News 6:15 Asian Edition 6:30 Biz Asia 7:00 Q&A Asia 8:00 Asia Tonight 8:30 World Sport 9:00 World News 9:30 Ebizasia 10:00 World News 10:30 Biz Asia 11:00 World News 11:30 Q&A South Asia 12:00 World News 12:30 The Artclub 1:30 World Business Today 2:00 World News 2:30 Q&A News 2:30 Q&A 3:00 World News Europe 3:30 CNN Newsroom

DISCOVERY CHANNEL

6:30 Animal Survivors 7:00 In Care of Nature 7:30 Outer Bounds I & II 8:00 Without Warning I 8:30 Lonely Planet V 9:30 Beyond 2000 10:00 Next Step 10:30 Go For It! 11:30 Intimate Escapes 12:30 Wild Discovery 1:30 Medical Detectives I 2:30 Health Showcase 3:30 Animal Survivors 4:00 In Care of Nature 4:30 Outer Bounds I & II 5:00 Without Warning I 5:30 Lonely Planet V 6:30 Going Wild With Jeff Corwin 7:00 So You Want To Be? 7:30 Wild Discovery 8:30



Tele-film Tepantar Rupkatha on Ekushey television tonight at 8. Written by Giasuddin Selim and directed by Abu Sayed the drama stars Khaled Khan, Opi Karim, Abul Hayat, Azad Abul Kalam, Lucky Enam and others.

BTV
Morning Session
9:45 Opening Announcement
10:00 Live telecast of President Shahabuddin's inaugural speech of the 21st parliamentary works of the 7th National Parliament, from the National Parliament House.
Evening Session
3:00 Opening



Close-up e-zone on Ekushey television today at 7 in the evening

Announcement 3:20
Open University 4:00
Khabar 4:05
Cartoon: Burney and Friends 4:30
Ta Ta Thoi Thoi - Dance lessons for children 5:00
School Debate Competition 5:50
Dharma O' Jivan: Islamic programme 6:00
Khabar 6:20
Shukhi Poribar: programme on population 6:35
Programme from Chittagong station 7:00
Jivan O' Jibika 7:25
Sandhyamalati: A programme of Nazrulangeet 8:00
News in Bengali 8:20
Drama Serial: Pakhi Shob Kore Rob 9:00
Monihar 9:30
Jonotar Adalat 10:00
News at Ten 10:20
Banglar Mukh: Programme on Bengali culture 10:45
Alok Chitra: Programme on Still Photography 11:30
Khabar/ The News

11:45 Close Down
EKUSHEY TV
12:00 Ekushey News Headlines
12:05 Ajker Potrikay 12:15 Bangla Movie: Putro Bodhu 2:40
Drishti 3:00
Ekushey News Headlines 3:05
Drama Series: Shodh 3:30

Bhalobasha Kare Roy 4:00
Mon Mon Koy Amar 4:30
Expedition to the Animal Kingdom 5:00
Circus Circus 5:30
Drishti 5:50
Ajker Potrikay 6:00
Ekushey News Headlines 6:05
Classic Cartoons 6:30
Charidike 7:00
Cloak-up E-Zone 7:30
Ekushey News 8:00
Tele Film: Tepantorer Roop Kotha 10:00
BTV News 10:25
Music Hour 11:15
Ekushey Late Night News 11:30
E Shoptaher Bishsho 11:45
Ekushey News Headlines

BBC WORLD
6:00 BBC News
6:30 World Busi-

ness Report 7:00
BBC News 7:30
Asia Today/Asia Business Report 8:00
BBC News 8:30
Asia Today/World Business Report 9:00
BBC News 9:30
Asia Today/Asia Business Report 10:00
BBC News 10:30
HARDtalk 11:00
BBC News 11:30
Top Gear Waterworld 12:00
BBC News 12:30
Face to Face 1:00
BBC News 1:30
HARDtalk 2:00
BBC News 2:30
Simpson (even) Money Prog (odd) World Rev 3:00
BBC News 3:30
HARDtalk 4:00
BBC News 4:30
Holiday 5:00
BBC News 5:30
Simpson (even) Money Prog (odd) World Rev 6:00
BBC News 6:30
Face to Face 7:00
BBC News 7:15
World Business Report 7:30
Top Gear 8:00
BBC News 8:30
HARDtalk 9:00
BBC News 9:30
Asia Today 10:00
BBC News 10:30
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India Tomorrow 11:00
BBC News 11:15
World Business Report 11:30
Talking Movies 12:00
BBC News 12:30
World Business Report 12:45
World Sport 1:00
BBC News 1:30
HARDtalk 2:00
BBC News 2:30
Click Online 3:00
BBC News 3:30
World Business Report 4:00
BBC News 4:30
Asia Business Report/World Business Report 5:00
BBC News 5:30
Asia Business Report/Asia Today

CNN
4:00 CNN This Morning 4:30
Asia Business Morning 5:00
CNN This Morning 5:30
Asia Business Morning 6:00
CNN This Morning 6:15
Asia Business Morning 6:30
Asian Edition 6:45
Asia Business Morning 7:00
CNN This Morning 7:30
Moneyline 8:00
Larry King Live 9:00
World News 9:30
World Sport 10:00
World News

dent 3:00
Always Outnumbered 5:15
Presumed Innocent 8:00
It Could Happen to You 10:00
The Presidio 12:00
Seven Years in Tibet 2:45
Always Outnumbered 5:00
It could Happen to You

AXN
6:00 Dark Skies/Enemy Within 7:00
I Dear You 8:00
Cyberteam in Akiabab/Flame of Recca 9:00
Slam Dunk /Samurai X 10:00
Charlie's Angels I/To Kill An Angel 11:00
I Dare You 12:00
VIP II/Big Top Val 1:00
007

STAR WORLD
6:30 Life In The Word With Joyce Meyer 7:00
World News 7:30
Grace Under Fire 8:00
Mork & Mindy 8:30
Murder Call 9:30
The Oprah Winfrey Show 10:30
Home Improvement 11:00
Happy Days 11:30
2 Guys A Girl, and A Pizza Place 12:00
Maggie Winters 1:00
Ally McBeal 1:30

Baat (Simi Garewal, Sujit Kumar) 7:00
Geet Bahar 7:30
Lamhe Pyaar Ke Milap (Dev Anand, Geeta Bali) 10:30
Bollywood News 11:00
Nagin (Vyjayantimala, Pradeep Kumar) 12:30
Nagin (contd) 2:00
Geet Bahar 2:30
Raaz Ki Baat (Simi Garewal, Sujit Kumar) 5:30
Nagin (Vyjayantimala, Pradeep Kumar)

STAR PLUS
6:00 Tu Tu Main 6:30 STAR

The Oprah Winfrey Show 2:30
The Practice 3:30
Grace Under Fire 4:00
The Bold & the Beautiful 4:30
Mork & Mindy 5:00
Happy Days 5:30
Baywatch 6:30
Hollywood Squares 7:00
Home Improvement 7:30
Star News Asia 8:00
Friends 8:30
World's Wildest Police Video 9:00
Star News Asia 9:30
Walker Texas Ranger 10:30
Martial Law 11:30
Friends 12:00
Star News 1:00
World's Wildest Police Video 1:30
Walker Texas Ranger 2:30
Martial Law 3:30
World's Wildest Police Video 3:30
Kenneth Copeland Ministries 4:30
Walker Texas 5:30
Creflo Dollar Daily



Martial Law on Star World tonight at 8

Geetmala 7:30
Hit Ya Fit 8:00
Cine Jharokha 8:30
Good Morning India 9:30
Star Morning Show 12:30
Hit Ya Fit 1:00
TSN 1:30
Small Wonder 2:00
Meri Saheli 2:30
Saans 3:00
Shagun 3:30
Kabhi Kabhi Mere Ghar Mein Bhuchal Ata Hai 4:00
Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi 4:30
Cine Jharokha 5:00
Hit Ya Fit 5:30
Kuchha Papad Pucca 6:00
Small Wonder 6:30
Fox Kids 7:30
Kahani Ghar Ghar Ki 8:00
Tu Tu Main Main 8:30
Ma Shakti 9:30
Kaun Banega Crorepati 10:30
Kahaani Ghar Ghar Ki 11:00
Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi 11:30
Aaj Ki Baat 12:00
Shagun 12:30
Talebrands 1:00
Kahaani Ghar

Ghar Ki 1:30
Star Movie Show 4:30
Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi 5:00
Saans 5:30
Meri Saheli

STAR MOVIES

5:45 Comedy: Spy Hard 7:30
Comedy: Kiss Me Goodbye PG 9:30
Drama: Falling Down PG 11:30
Sci-Fi: Not Like US 15:13
Midday Movie: Addicted to Love 15:30
Thriller: Dead Silent 15:53
Drama: Falling Down PG 7:30
Drama: Rising Sun 15:8:00
The Ticket 10:30
Thursday Mega Movie: Tomorrow Never Dies 1997 15:12:30
Hot Favourites: What Dreams May Come 1988 PG 3:00
Sci-Fi: Not Like US 15:4:45
Action: Money Talks 15



The Presidio Tonight on HBO at 10
Sean Connery stars as San Francisco Police Detective who investigates a ruthless murder committed at the illustrious Presidio military compound. Provost Marshal Lt. Col. Alan Caldwell (Connery) finds himself paired with a hot-blooded young cop, Jay Austin (Mark Harmon). Always on opposite sides, the two find their relationship becoming ever more tense as they complete to solve the crime. The Presidio stars Sean Connery, Meg