

Exhibition

# "Spirit of Bangladesh" in Iran

Tehran toasts Bangladeshi photographers Anwar Hossain and Enam ul Haque

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

It certainly is a rare opportunity for Bangladesh to display abroad the glimpses of indigenous culture and traditional values through the lenses of her leading photographers. Such an opportunity has arrived with two of our renowned photographers Anwar Hossain and Enam ul Haque exhibiting their brilliant photographs at Laleh Gallery in Tehran beginning on April 16.

The exhibition presents about a hundred images by these two photographers featuring the land and the life in Bangladesh. While Enam is presenting about 50 works in colour, Anwar, the more illustrious counterpart of Enam, is exhibiting around fifty of his black-and-white works.

Entitled "Spirit of Bangladesh" or "Bangladesh-er pran-shakti", the show has a wide variety of subjects ranging from the struggling lives of poor urban people to the quiet existence of ethnic societies, from the charming splendours of mother-nature to the odd forces of change and speed in our sprawling metropolitan areas.

Anwar Hossain, in his fifties, has been highly meticulous in his job and has won sixty international and ten national awards since 1967. Now living in France, Anwar spends several months every year in Bangladesh to carry on with his work on motherland. Anwar has four major photographic albums to his credit.



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A few of his photos in this exhibition are truly dramatic and bear strong touches of emotion. A feeling of confidence in the struggle for existence and individual freedom in oppressive multitudes is clearly visible in most of his outstanding pieces.

"Artists and Parliament", a unique image that he captured from

in front of Jatiya Sangshad in early eighties brings out the subconscious element of Anwar himself. Here, a mime artist passes by the parliament on a rickshaw, representing the global freedom of all artists against a vivid background of the Sangshad Bhaban. The artist holding aside his mask tries to literally unmask the contrasting symbol of rule of law and administration

limiting freedom and liberty of the common people. Presence of water on the ground is suggestive of monsoon in Bangladesh.

Some of his other photos are also effectively symbolic. In "Adolescence" where a teenage girl is seen standing with crossed arms and the wall behind shows a series of prints of human palms. The girl, at this age, is passing through a transitional

period of her life. She develops a sense of insecurity and apprehension of oppression from many around her a human hand in the foreground is indicative of various social pressures.

The jubilation of a triumphant group of freedom fighters, in the photo titled "Victory", just after our country's independence in 1971 is the most inspiring. This was taken at Kushtia, soon after liberation, is quite a significant one by Anwar Hossain.

"Fishing Time" is a strange yet spectacular picture presenting a mirror image of the photographer.

The other photographer of this exhibition, Enam ul Haque is too, quite precise with his statements, photographing since 1994. Basically an engineer, Enam retired from Bangladesh Air-Force to devote more time to photography. Restricting most of his subjects within the bounds of nature, wildlife and ethnic communities, Enam tries to deal more directly with human affairs, their day-to-day living, personal joys and pains of simple, insignificant people, specially, children. A few of his pictures in this exhibition present nature at its best with flora and fauna of Bangladesh in full vigour and freshness.

"Storm" captured by Enam at Rangamati, last June reveals a striking map of nature's expression. Though destructive, the storm approaches over the hills to destroy the old but bringing with it hopes and aspiration for new growth. The dry vegetation would receive a new lease of life with the thunderous rains and be washed by the strong winds. The contrasting colour of golden yellow landscape against the dark gray clouds is extremely sensational.

Superstition and myth have ruled our rural Bengal since ages, be it in the mainstream Bengali culture or in the lesser-known ethnic population. In "Fateful Palm", Enam uses a stupendous image to present this aspect of rural culture. In his picture an old tribesman sits idly bearing prints of human palm on his chest where "Fate is Written", as they believe. This religious leader of the



Garo tribe represents the tribal culture in a typical fashion and credit should go to the photographer for capturing such a simple scene with exquisite skill.

A very different statement becomes evident to the spectator when he stands in front of the work "Saffron Photo". Here we see how modern technology has changed lives of every human being, regardless of location, society or tradition. But, again, showing the saffron-clothed monk taking photos of a group of his colleagues proves the truth of man's ability in reaching unfathomable depths in life, if given opportunity. Enam successfully brought out the varied artistic spirit that can be found in every human.

The unending bond of love and care among siblings is found in his "Surrogate Mother" taken at Gopalganj in 1999.

Better known as a bird watcher to most of us, Enam ul Haque has presented only a couple of photos on birds in the Tehran show. "Enchanting Window" shows a pied wagtail perching on the beams of a window. The white color of the bars plays an ineffable role in it. The black and white little bird smartly looks back, ready to fly off at any moment. The photographer with his controlled and thoughtful composition creates an intense drama in this case.

The ten-day long exhibition is scheduled to run from April 16 till 25, 2001.

RECOMMENDATIONS



Solo exhibition

The 1st solo painting exhibition by Omar Khalid Rumi is now being held at Gallery 21. The exhibition will remain open from 10.00a.m. to 8.00p.m. everyday till April 15.

Dress show

Shatabdi is going to hold a dress exhibition on the eve of Pahela Baishakh (1st day of Bangla New Year) from April 12 to 14 at Anil Centre from 11.00 a.m. till 8.00 p.m. every day. The show will include Sari, Kamiz and Panjabi.



Set design exhibition

The British Council in association with Bangladesh Group Theatre Federation and Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy has organised a Set Design Exhibition that will continue up to April 16 at the British Council auditorium.

Paintings on the Berlin-Wall

A photography exhibition by Pierre Clauquin on the paintings of the Berlin-Wall is now being held at the Goethe-Institut. The exhibition will remain open to all till April 12.

Solo exhibition of prints

A solo exhibition of prints by Nasreen Begum is being held at the Zainul Gallery, Institute of Fine Art, University of Dhaka. The exhibition will continue everyday from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. till April 12.



EKUSHEY TV

12:00 Ekushey Midday  
12:20 Disha 12:45  
Drama: Bubuner Baba  
1:15 Cricket: Bangladesh vs. Zimbabwe One Day International (3rd Match)  
Live from Zimbabwe 7:30  
Ekushey News 9:30  
Drama: Hirdoyer Kache  
10:30 News: Live Telecast from BTV  
11:00 Ekushey Nightly News

CHANNEL-i

6:15 Drama: Mukti 7:30  
Aktoror Dinguhi 7:40 Sai  
Theke Suro 8:00 Din  
Protidin 8:25 Business  
Show 9:00 Drama: Jugol  
Bandhi 10:40 Mukti Jodha  
Pho Sai Name 11:15  
Drama: Mukti 11:50  
Aktoror Dinguhi 12:40  
Sai Theke Suro 1:15  
Business Show 2:00  
Drama: Jugol Bandhi 3:00  
Bangla Cinema: Sudha  
Tuman 6:00 Recting from  
Holy Quran 6:10 Adar  
Table 6:40 Artho O Nithi  
7:15 Drama: Setu 7:50  
Chitti Pelam 9:15 Drama:  
The X-banch 10:00 Anu  
Vhave Anukhane 11:00  
Bangla Cinema: Dhoya  
Maya

BBC WORLD

6:00 BBC News 6:30  
World Business 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



Maggie Winters on Star World at 10:30p.m.

BBC News 9:30 Asia  
Today/Asia Business  
Report 10:00 BBC News  
10:30 Talking Movies  
11:00 BBC News 11:30  
Earth Report 12:00 BBC  
News 12:30 HardTalk 1:00  
BBC News 1:30 Holiday  
2:00 BBC News 2:30  
Reporters 3:00 BBC News  
3:30 HardTalk 4:00 BBC  
News 4:30 Rough  
Science (14) Phys World  
(15-20) Predictions (21-  
23) Future Faint (24-26)  
5:00 BBC News 5:30  
Reporters 6:00 BBC News  
6:30 Wheels 7:00 BBC  
News 7:15 World  
Business Report 7:30  
Click Online 8:00 BBC  
News 8:30 Reporters 9:00  
BBC News 9:30 Asia  
Today 10:00 BBC News  
10:30 Face to Face 11:00  
BBC News 11:15 World  
Business Report 11:30  
Holiday 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 Top Gear 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

STAR GOLD

8:30 Bollywood News  
9:00 Shabab (Bharat  
Bhoshan, Nutan) 12:00  
Geet Bahar 12:30 Bahut  
Din Huwe (Madhubala,  
Ratan Kumar) 3:30  
Bollywood News 4:00 Do  
Aur Do Paanch (Amritabh  
Bachchan, Shashi  
Kapoor, Praveen Babu)  
7:00 Geet Bahar 7:30  
Rang Birangi Amanush  
(Uttam Kumar, Sharmila  
Taqore) 10:30 Bollywood  
News 11:00 Love  
Marriage (Anil Kapoor,  
Meenakshi Seshadri)  
12:30 Love Marriage  
(contd) 2:00 Geet Bahar  
2:30 Shabab (Bharat  
Bhoshan, Nutan) 5:30  
Love Marriage (Anil  
Kapoor, Meenakshi)



Cricket: Bangladesh vs Zimbabwe 3rd match Live from Zimbabwe on Ekushey television at 1:15p.m.

STAR WORLD

6:00 Murder Call 7:00  
The Oprah Winfrey Show  
8:00 Home Improvement  
8:30 Happy Days 9:00  
JAG 10:00 The Pretender  
11:00 The Oprah Winfrey  
Show 12:00 Law & Order  
: Special Victims Unit 1:00  
Things People Do 1:30  
The Bold & The Beautiful  
2:00 Mork & Mindy 2:30  
Happy Days 3:00  
Baywatch 4:00 The  
Simpsons 4:30 Home  
Improvement 5:00 Star  
News Asia 5:30 Friends  
6:00 2 Guys A Girl And A  
Pizza Place 6:30 Maggie  
Winters 6:55 Star News  
Asia 7:00 Ally McBeal  
8:00 The Practice 9:00  
Friends 9:30 Star News  
10:00 2 Guys A Girl And  
A Pizza Place 10:30  
Maggie Winters 11:00 Ally  
McBeal 12:00 The  
Practice 1:00 2 Guys A  
Girl And A Pizza Place  
1:30 Maggie Winters 2:00  
Ally McBeal 3:00 Creflo  
Dollar Daily 3:30 Kenneth  
Copeland Ministries 4:00  
Life In The World With  
Joyce Meyer 4:30 World  
News 5:00 Fashion TV  
5:30 Mork & Mindy

STAR MOVIES

8:15 Action: Brown's  
Requiem 10:00 Drama:  
Light Sleeper 11:45  
Comedy: Nothing Hill 1:45  
Comedy: Father Of The  
Bride 3:30 Comedy:  
Cemetery Club 5:15  
Thriller: Plastic Man 7:00  
Hollywood Action Night:  
Iron Eagle 3 9:45 Action:  
Repo Jake 10:30 Action:  
Brown's Requiem 12:30  
Thriller: Arachnophobia  
2:30 Thriller: Plastic Man  
4:30 Thriller: Where The  
Truth Lies 6:30 Action:



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Jack Of Hearts

HBO  
7:00 Twists of Terror 8:45  
Kidnapped in Paradise  
10:45 Better Off Dead  
12:45 A Perfect Murder  
3:00 Primal Fear 5:30 The  
Cable Guy 7:30 Zero  
Effect 10:00 The Natural  
12:45 I Know What You  
did Last Summer 2:45 A  
Perfect Murder 5:00 The  
Cable Guy

DISCOVERY CHANNEL

6:30 Popular Mechanics  
for Kids IV 7:00 Let's  
Dance & Eat 7:30 High  
Adventure 8:30 Lonely  
Planet 9:30 Eyewitness  
10:00 Without Warning  
10:00 Intimate Escapes  
11:30 Ushuaia 12:30 Wild  
Discovery 1:30 Lonely  
Planet III 2:30 Health  
Showcase 3:30 Discover  
Magazine 4:30  
Eyewitness 5:00 Without  
Warning 1:50 Shark  
Files, The II 6:30 Popular  
Mechanics for Kids II 7:00  
Let's Dance & Eat 7:30  
Wild Discovery 8:30  
Raging Planet 9:30  
Discover Profile Series  
10:30 Medical Detectives  
11:00 Next Step 11:30  
Lonely Planet I 12:30 Wild  
Discovery 1:30 Raging  
Planet 2:30 Discover  
Magazine 3:30 Medical  
Detectives II 4:00 Next  
Step 5:30 Discover  
Magazine

AXN

6:30 Dual/Max Steel 7:30  
Shinhakkenden/Samurai  
X 8:30 Nightman II/It  
Came Out of the Sky  
9:30 Heart of  
Courage/Heart of  
Courage 10:30 Dual/Max  
Steel 11:30  
Shinhakkenden/Samurai  
X 12:30 The Net/Deleted  
1:30 Heart of  
Courage/Heart of  
Courage 2:30 Pensacola  
III/Busted 3:30 Movie:  
For Hire 5:30 Who Dares  
Wins/Dual 6:30 Max  
Steel/Shinhakkenden 7:30  
Samurai X/Who Dares  
Wins 8:30 Dare You  
9:30 VIP II/Vallery's  
Secret 10:30 Movie: Blind  
Terror 12:30 Profiler II/It  
Cuts Both Ways 1:30  
Movie: Blind Terror 3:30  
VIP III/Vallery's Secret  
4:30 Profiler II/It Cuts  
Both Ways 5:30 Nightman  
II/It Came Out of the Sky

TV GUIDE

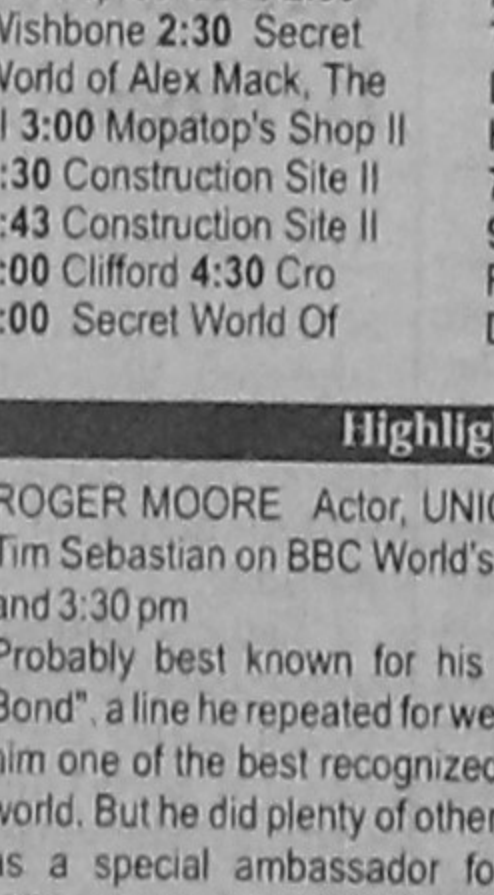
PICK OF THE DAY



The Natural on HBO at 10:00 p.m. Middle-aged batter, Roy Hobbs, with a mysterious past appears to take 1930s baseball team to the top of the league. With the aid of a bat cut from a lightning struck tree, Hobbs lives the fame that had eluded him previously.

HALLMARK TV

1:45 Dixie: Changing  
Habits 4:15 Danger Bay  
5:00 Wishbone 5:30  
Secret World of Alex  
Mack, The III 6:00  
Mopator's Shop I 6:30  
Construction Site 6:43  
Clifford 7:30 Cro 8:00 Go  
Toward The Light 10:00  
Woman Named Jackie  
12:00 Magical Legends Of  
The Leprechauns 2:00  
Wishbone 2:30 Secret  
World of Alex Mack, The  
III 3:00 Mopator's Shop II  
3:30 Construction Site II  
3:43 Construction Site II  
4:00 Clifford 4:30 Cro  
5:00 Secret World Of



Highlight  
ROGER MOORE Actor, UNICEF Ambassador with Tim Sebastian on BBC World's HARDTalk at 12:30 pm and 3:30 pm  
Probably best known for his role as "Bond James Bond", a line he repeated for well over 10 years, making him one of the best recognized film actors around the world. But he did plenty of other things as well not least as a special ambassador for the United Nations' children's agency UNICEF which, he once said, made him wake up to the fact that he had a wonderful life, and was doing nothing with it. Tim Sebastian asks him just how much has he had and what has he done with it?

1:30 Desert Heart 3:30  
Original Sound Track 4:00  
Drugstore Cowboy

ZEE ENGLISH  
6:30 Benny Hill Show  
7:00 Capital 7:30 Music  
Zone 8:00 Late Show  
With David Letterman  
9:00 Three's Company  
9:30 Here's Lucy 10:00  
Dave's World 10:30 Police  
Academy 11:30 Full  
House 12:00 Capitol  
12:30 All My Children 1:30  
Dave's World 2:00 Three's  
Company 2:30 Friends  
3:00 Veronica's Closet  
3:30 Fresh Prince of Bel  
Air 4:00 Check It Out 4:30  
Here's Lucy 5:00 Three's  
Company 5:30 All My  
Children 6:30 Veronica's  
Closet 7:00 Full House  
7:30 Home Life on the  
Streets 8:30 Friends 9:00  
Fresh Prince of Bel Air  
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David Letterman 10:30  
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Fresh Prince of Bel Air  
12:30 Full House 1:00  
Late Show With David  
Letterman 2:00 All My  
Children 3:00 Music Zone  
4:00 Benny Hill Show  
4:30 Capitol 5:00 Original  
Sound Track 5:30 Music  
Zone

ZEE CINEMA

9:00 Kuch Lamhe Kuch  
Nagme 9:15 Ikke Pe Ikke  
9:45 Movie Fare 10:00  
Adharm: Feature Film  
1:00 Chhappan 1:15  
Madhyantar 1:30 Khel  
Khladi Ka Feature Film  
5:00 Darpan 5:15 Tara  
Rum 5:45 Film Time 6:00  
Fifty Fifty - Feature Film  
9:45 Cine News 10:00  
Flash Back 10:30 Sajjan  
Bina Suhagan/Feature  
Film 2:15 Kuch Lamhe  
Kuch Nagme 2:30 Dil Ka  
Heera - Feature Film 5:30  
Chehren 5:45 Film Time  
6:00 Kathputli - Feature  
Film

ZEE MUSIC

6:00 Zee Music Plus 7:00

Aalap 7:30 Tararun 8:30  
Hit Pe Hit 10:30 Hit Mix  
11:00 Blue 11:30 Zee  
Music Box 12:00 Zee  
Music Plus 1:00 Hit Pe Hit  
2:00 Jharokha 2:35 Dil Se  
3:05 Tararun 4:00 Hit Pe  
Hit 5:00 Zee Music Box  
5:30 Hit Mix 6:00 Cook  
Age 6:30 Zee Music Plus  
7:30 Hit Pe Hit 8:30 Best  
of Best 9:30 Zee Music  
Box 10:00 Sizzlers 10:30  
Jharokha 11:05 Just  
Jammin 12:00 Phoren  
Maal 12:35 Shabab 1:05  
Zee Music Box 1:30  
Jharokha 2:00 Hit Pe Hit  
3:00 Compact Disc 3:30  
Tararun 4:30 Phoren  
Maal 5:30 Sizzlers

ALPHA BANGLA

6:30 Chokher Bali 7:00  
Monihar 7:30 News in  
Bengali 8:00 Aalaap 8:30  
Aalaap 9:00 News Bulletin  
9:05 Bharat Bhraman  
9:30 Purobi 10:00 Aanyaa  
10:30 Omanisha 11:00  
Wah Kee Daroon Drishya  
11:30 Gnasajja 12:00  
Bahar Ahaar 12:30 Ebar  
Jome Majwa 1:00 Ingit  
1:30 Ek Akasher Niche  
2:00 Nayantara 2:30 Kinu  
Golar Gali/Feature Film  
5:00 Shesh Prashna 5:30  
Ekushe Pa 6:00 Alpha  
Khabar 6:25 Jhankar 6:30  
Foot Ball 7:00 Wah Kee  
Daroon Drishya 7:25  
Jhankar 7:30 Surer Ei  
Jnamachara 7:55 Jhankar  
8:00 Nayantara 8:30 Ek  
Akasher Niche 9:00 News  
Bulletin 10:05 Ingit 10:35  
Ek Palake 10:40 Foot Ball  
11:10 Ek Palake 11:15  
Alpha Khabar 11:40 Ek  
Palake 12:15 Bideshini  
Bothu 12:15 Wah Ki  
Darun Drishya 12:25 Ek  
Palake 12:30 Purobi 1:00  
Bharat Bhraman 1:30  
Bengali Feature Film 4:00  
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Nayantara 5:00 Ingit 5:30  
Foot Ball 6:00 Aanyaa

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ZEE MUSIC

6:00 Zee Music Plus 7:00

ZEE TV

6:15 Yaadon Ke Pal 6:45  
Old is Gold 7:00 Bhakti  
Geet 7:30 Jagran 8:00  
Morning Zee 9:00  
Nickelodeon on Zee 10:00  
Guldasta 10:30 Fimi  
Chakkari 11:00 Highlight  
Zee 11:15 Chhappan Chhapt  
11:30 Ek Nazar 12:00  
Koshish... Ek Aashaa  
12:30 Sangini 1:00  
Dastaan 1:25 Jhalak 1:30  
Hasratein 2:00 Chandan  
Ka Palna Resham Ki Dori  
2:30 Kashi 3:00 Charana  
3:30 Yeh Dil Kya Kare  
4:00 Kaise Kahoon...?  
4:30 Samander 5:00  
Nickelodeon 6:00 Ek Nazar  
6:30 Banegi Apni Baat  
7:00 Hip Hip Hurray 7:30  
Ek Nazar 8:00 Yeh Hai  
Mumbai Meri Jaan... 8:30  
Babul Ki Duayeh Lett  
Ja... 9:00 Mehendi Tere  
Naam Ki 9:30 Chandan  
Ka Palna Resham Ki Dori  
10:00 Ankahee 10:30 Yeh  
Dil Kya Kare 11:00 Ek Thi  
Rajkumari 11:30  
Manzilein Apni Apni  
12:00 Kaise Kahoon...?  
12:30 Gardish 1:00 Jai  
Ganmesha 2:00 Dastaan  
2:30 Ek Nazar 3:00  
Diwana-Feature Film 5:45  
News In Hindi

STAR SPORTS

7:30 Sportsline Today  
8:00 Sportsline Today  
8:30 Spanish Football  
League 2000/01 Spanish  
Football League Villarreal,  
Spain Barcelona @  
Villareal 10:30 Five/Six  
Nations Championships  
Six Nations  
Championships 2001  
Rome, Italy Wales @ Italy  
12:30 Sportsline Today  
1:00 World Wide Rugby  
Super 12 Rugby 2001  
Dunedin, New Zealand  
New Waratahs @ Otago

ESPN

6:00 NBA Basketball

Highlanders Round 7 3:00

Yachting World Yachting  
2000 Highlights 3:30  
National Sports Report  
4:00 Wta Tour Ericsson  
Open Miami, FL USA  
Finals 5:30 Fim World  
Motorcycle Championship  
Motogp 2001 Suzuka City,  
Japan Highlights 7:00  
Windsurfing Adecco Asian  
Windsurfing Tour 2001  
Boracay, Philippines  
Highlights 7:30 Extreme  
Magazine Yoz Magazine  
8:00 Sportsline Tonight  
8:30 Cricket Talk Show  
Boys And Sunny  
Masterclass: Captaincy  
9:00 EMAX Power 10:30  
Sportsline Tonight 11:00  
Cricket Magazine India's  
Greatest Cricket Moments  
Sharjah, UAE India @  
Australia 1998 Coca Cola  
Cup 6th Odi Hills 12:00  
Sportsline Tonight 12:30  
This is the Pga Tour 1:30  
EEnglish Domestic Club  
Rugby Zurich Premiership  
2000/2001 Bath, England  
Bristol @ Bath Rugby  
3:30 Sportsline Tonight  
4:00 Australian Domestic  
Cricket Aust Domestic  
Cricket Pura Milk Cup Day  
3 Highlights 5:00  
Sportsline Tonight 5:30  
Boxing Series Fight Time  
On Fox 2001 San  
Antonio, TX USA Justin  
Jauko Vs Antonio Ramirez

ESPN

6:00 NBA Basketball

ESPN

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Ally McBeal on Star World at 11:00p.m.



Drama: Hridoyer Kache on Ekushey television at 9:30 p.m.