# Tributes to a theatre activist

Theatre Art Unit dedicates one of its regular shows of Kal Sakaley to pay homage to its immediate late founder S M Solaiman.

**TAWFIQUE ALI** 

M Solaiman was one of those dedicated theatre activists whose contribution to the country's theatre movement is unri-

Though at present country's theatre world enjoys a liberal atmosphere and theatre workers are now generally respected, but to reach its present stage, the country's theatre practitioners had to walk through a long

Theatre is regarded as an effective

means to rebuild a society and broaden its outlook by creating awareness about right and wrong; just and unjust; fair and unfair amongst the common people. But, because of thratre's satirical way of reformative mission, it has all along suffered the wrath of establishment and the reactionary forces of the society.

In the face of such adversity some men with visionary mission dedicated themselves to strike at hypocrisy, double standard and exploitation existing in the society in different



Amala and Sharbanu at a critical moment of the play.

patterns. These people made use of theatre as a weapon to fight against social evils to get the society rid of incongruity and to make it worth living

A prolific theatre exponent, S M Solaiman who founded the theatre group, Theatre Art Unit in 1992, died on September 22, 2001. This group dedicated its Sunday show of Kal Sakaley to the memory of its founder on. Besides, it held an exhibition of snaps from Solaiman's eventful life in the theatre along with posters, crests and awards that he received in recognition of his successful career as a

Mohammad Bari, chief coordinator of Theatre Art Unit paid a rich tribute to the late director saying, "Solaiman Bhai was a theatre personality of great magnitude and his devotion to theatre was unparalleled. That we are dedicating a single show to him is not adequate to pay tributes to his memories. I would like to clearly note that we have as plan to hold elaborate programme including theatre festival,

publishing anthology of his writings on theatre, introducing a memorial scholarship award in field of drama in his name and to bring out a memorial book composed of articles written on him hopefully by the first week of November this year.'

CULTURE

When Bari focused upon individual achievement of Solaiman as a theatre activists, he said, "he was an innovative spirit in the field of theatre. He initiated a new dimension in theatrical experimentation by utilising a strong sense of team spirit among his group members. At its infancy, our group was bare of any noted theatre artists or expert except Solaiman Bhai. But we performed a number of acclaimed productions. Solaiman Bhai used to act as a torch bearer in the journey of our theatre movement. Another creative improvisation goes to his credit that is he applied music to theatrical production adding a new dimension to

Members of the Theatre Art Unit believe that S M Solaiman was a man who always preferred being behind the screen than to expose himself. He loved to work and hardly hankered after rewards Apart from a theatrical show, the

group intends to hold an elaborate and formal arrangements to commemorate this prolific theatre person-

The central issue of Kal Sakaley evolves around such concerns as misappropriation, exploitation, dubious role of the powerful exercised with the help of the socio-political and religions agents who are nakedly out to serve their evil ends.

Amala is an orphan a girl of rustic simplicity who helplessly falls prey to socio-political evil mechanism and manipulation. She suffers a tag of war between two evil power mongers who virtually tear the very existence of an innocent village girl apart.

While directing this play years back S M Solaiman had satirical interpretation of Amala as symbolising his motherland and afflicted with various evils political, social and religious.



Amala, at a critical juncture of her life. She commits suicide to end her life

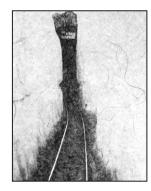


#### SM Sultan and Realism

To mark the seventh death anniversary of noted artist SM Sultan, Bangladesh Shipakala Academy has organised at discussion entitled SM Sultan and Realism at the academy gallery on October 10 at 5 in the evening. The main paper of the discussion will be presented by Moinuddin Khaled while artist Syed Jahangir, professors Bulbon Osman, Sved Manzoorul Islam and Azizul Hag willtake part in the discussion.

Renowned artist Mustafa Manwar will be present as chief

#### **Graphic prints**



Noted French artist Jean-Michel Alberola's solo exhibition of graphic prints is now being held at the French cultural centre. Alliance Française, at

### Six Seasons

Shilparag Gallery at Dhanmandi (House#15, Road# 27 old) presents an exhibition on the theme six seasons. Leading artists of the country have captured in their canvas the rich variety of our seasons and their ambience. The month-long show will continue till October 14 everyday from 11 am to 8pm.

3:00 Artist Of The Fortnight

Tara Rum

Sizzlers

**ALPHA TV** 

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## Tv GUIDE

#### **BTV** pm Open University Shukhi Paribar

Khabar 4:20 Cartoon Godzilla Education for all Film Light Winds All Women

6:00 Khabar 6:10 Sangeeta Special programme on World Postal Day News headlines

Pran Tarangya 8:00 News in Bangla 8:30 Sera Galper Natak News headlines Drama serial Prasanna 9:05

Pashan 9:30 Drama serial Anyarakam 10:00 News in English

Magazine Khola Janala 10:55 Nupur Nikkan 11:30 Khabar/ The News

#### **EKUSHEY TV** 12:00 Ekushey Midday

Kingdom 1:30 Circus Circus 1:50 2:10 Classic Cartoons Surer Prodeep 3:00 3:05 **Ekushey Headlines** Drama serial: Bubuner Baba

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#### ATN BANGLA Islamic Prog

11:30 Ekushey Business

5:30 7:00 Child's prog. : Shapla Saluk Gold Medal 7:35 Sonaly Bela 8:05 Drama serial: Uttaran Musical prog. Magazine prog. : Agamir Taroka

Drama serial: Duronto Gurni Drama serial: Bondon 11:15 Bengali film : Mohon Mala Musical prog. : ATN Music Dance prog. : Dance Dance 7:00 7:35 ATN Bangla News Drama serial: Uttaran Film Magazine : Cine Music 8:45 Drama serial : Shes Belay 9:20 Sports prog. : Sports Show 10:00 ATN Bangla News

11:15 Bengali Film: Bodnosib

Amala, the protagonist of the play Kal Sakaley, in the invocation scene of the play.

CHANNEL-i am Musical programme Anubhabe Anukhan Din Pratidin 9:00 Talk Show 10:10 | Music

10:40 Magazine Eker Bhitar 11:20 Drama serial Joyar 12:00 Magazine Roving Eye pm Musical programme

Anubhabe Anukhan Talk Show Kada Aalap Bengali feature film Juli. Starring Olivia Mahmud Kali 6:10

Addar Table 6:40 I Music Channel I Sangbad Drama serial Joyar

8:00 **Traveler Travel Show** Ispahani I Tele Quiz Drama Serial Seeman Channel I Sangbad 9:20 Talk Show Prayasha 0-Angiker

9:30 Results of Ispahani I Tele Quiz **10:00** Quiz programme 60 seconds 10:01 Drama serial Nepathya

10:30 Channel I Sangbad Bengali feature film Raja Mistry. Starring Razzak, Rozina

## **HBO**

6:30 New Jersey Drive 8:30 Dead Ahead 10:30 As Good As It Gets The Mirror has Two Faces 3:45 King Solomon's Mines

5:45 Jimmy Hollywood 8:00 Wayne's World 10:00 Mobsters 12:00 Bird On A Wire 2:15 As Good As It Gets 5:00 Wayne's World

#### STAR GOLD 10:30 Amul Bollywood News 11:00 Geet Bahar

11:30 Inteha Pyaar Ki (Rishi Kapoor, Rukhsar) Amul Bollywood News Bahut Din Huwe (Madhubala, Rattan

Kumar) 7:00 Geet Bahar Mangal Masti-Shriman Satyawadi (Raj Kapoor, Shakila)

11:00 Amul Bollywood News 11:30 Do Qaidi (Sanjay Dutt, Govinda) 12:30 Do Qaidi (Contd) Geet Bahar 3:30 Bahut Din Huwe

(Madhubala, Rattan

Shriman Satvawadi (Raj Kapoor, Shakila)

STAR WORLD Happy Days 3<sup>rd</sup> Rock From The

7:00 The Oprah Wintrey 8:00 Water Rats 9:00 That 70's Show 9:30 Dharma & Greg 10:00 Chicago Hope 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey

12:00 Everybody Loves 12:30 Frasier

1:00 Media TV The Bold & The 1:30 Beautiful 2:00 Mork & Mindy 2:30 Happy Days

3:00 Baywatch 4:00 The Simpsons 4:30 3<sup>rd</sup> Rock From The 5:00 Star News Asia 5:30 Friends 6:00 JAG

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Kenneth Copeland

4:00 Life in the Word With Joyce Meyer 4:30 World News 5:00 Things People Do 5:30 Mork & Mindy

Ministries

STAR PLUS 6:00 Sanskruti Star Geetmala 6:30 Shrimati Sharma Ne 7:30 Kehti Thi 8:00 Hit Ya Fit 8:30 Aatma 9:30 Fox Kids-Daily 10:30 Small Wonder

11:00 Pal Chhin 11:30 Saahil 12:00 Sansar 12:30 Hit Ya Fit 1:00 Hum Saath Aath Hain 1:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii 2:00 Sanskruti 2:30 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi 3:00 Shagun Shanti 3:30

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11:30 Correspondent 12:00 BBC News Meri Saheli 12:30 Hardtalk Kaahin Kissii Roz 1:00 **BBC News** Pal Chhin 1:30 QED Hit Ya Fit 2:00 **BBC News** Small Wonder 2:30 Earth Report Fox Kids Daily 3:00 BBC News

## **TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS**



STAR WORLD: 6:00 & 9:30 pm. Jag. In, Boomerang (Part-II), the murder/desertion trial of Kevin Lee takes a bad turn after his wife changes her testimony under cross examination.

7:30 Sanskruti

Kalash

Hum Saath Aath Hain

Kaahin Kissii Roz...

Kaun Banega

10:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar

Kyunki Saas Bhi

Kabhi Bahu Thi

Kaahin Kissii Roz

Ek Main Aur Ek Tu

Kvunki Saas Bi

Kabhi Bahu Thi

Crorepati

11:30 Aaj Ki Baat

Telebrands

Hit Ya Fit

Meri Saheli

Pal Chhin

Saahil

Sansar

Shanti

**BBC WORLD** 

BBC News

**BBC News** 

BBC News

9:00 BBC News

10:00 BBC News

11:00 BBC News

10:30 Holiday

World Business

Asia Today/Asia

Business Report

Asia Today/World

**Business Report** 

Asia Today/Asia

**Business Report** 

5:30 Hit Ya Fit

12:00 Shagun

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STAR WORLD: 8:00 & 11:30 pm. NYPD Blue. A dismembered body is found in a barrel in the basement of a brownstone. The detectives' trial leads them to a notorious mobster who has a long list of enemies. including Sipowicz.

> Hardtalk 4:00 **BBC News** Click Online 4:30 5:00 BBC News 5:30 Earth Report **BBC News** 6:00 6:30 Hardalk **BBC News** World Business 7:15 Report

7:30 Holiday 8:00 **BBC News** 8:30 Earth Report **BBC News** 9:00 Asia Today 10:00 BBC News/World **Business Report** 10:30 Wheels

gaining total crime control. 11:00 BBC News 11:30 World Business Report/Sport Today 12:30 Hardtalk BBC News **Talking Movies** 

Mobsters.

1:00 2:00 **BBC News** 2:30 World Business Report **BBC News** 3:30 Reporters 4:00 BBC News Asia Business 4:30 Report/Asia Today 5:00 BBC News

Asia Business

Report/Asia Today

STAR MOVIES

PICK OF THE DAY

On HBO at 9:30 pm. Four street hoods rise up

the ladder of organised crime taking their

bootlegging business from the streets to

the top echelons of the mob world,

6:30 Chaptar Zero 8:15 Cinderella 10:00 Angel Heart 11:45 Total Recall Howling, The This is My Life 5:00 Sex and Mrs X 7:00 Turner and Hooch 8:45 Body and Soul 10:30 Cinderella 12:30 Perez Family. The

2:30 Howling, The 4:30 Chapter Zero **CHANNEL [V]** 7:30 [V] So Long Gone 8:30 [V] Jumpstart

Motorsports News

News 2001

10:30 Senior PGA Tour Golf

International Motorsport

10:30 [V] Hit Machine [V] Jungli Jukebox 12:30 [V] FDFS V] Hit Machine

[V] Colossal Chaos Countdown [V] Hit Machine 4:30 [V] Hotline 5:30 Very [V] 7:30 [V] Hit Machine

9:30 [V] Jungli Jukebox 10:00 [V] FDFS 10:30 [V] Hit Machine **11:00** Late Night [V] 11:30 [V] Hit Machine 1:30 [V] Hit Machine

#### **ZEE TV** 6:00 Yaadon Ke Pal

6:30 Aalaap 7:00 Yoga For Life 7:30 Jagran Zee Gym & Eat Healthy 7:50 8:20 News 8:30 Ardhangini

8:45 Yaadein Radio Ceyion Ki 9:00 Nickelodeon on Zee 9:30 Nickelodeaon 10:00 Guldasta

10:30 Sarhadein 11:00 Ek Tukda Chand Ka 11:30 Ek Nazar 12:00 Woh Haseen Pal 1:00 Manzilein Apni Apni

1:25 1:30 Koi Apna Sa 2:00 Choti Maa Ek Anokha Bandhan 2:30 Gharana 3:00

Pyari BehnaFeature Film 6:00 Ek Nazar 6:30 Nickeldeon On Zee 7:00 Nickelodeon Ek Nazar

Deewane To Deewane

10:30 Aap Jo Bole Haan to Haan Ap Jo Bole Na 11:30 Sarhadein **12:00** Gharana

12:30 Muihe Dore Koi Khinche 1:00 Sansaar 2:00 Deewane To Deewane

8:30 Ek Tukda Chand Ka

Choti Maa Ek Anokha

Justujoo

10:00 Koi Apna Sa

2:30 Manzilein Apni Apni 3:00 Boy Friend-Feature Film News in Hindi 5:30

#### **ZEE CINEMA** Holiday In Bombay-6:00 Feature Film 9:00

Kuch Lamhe Kuch Nagme Top of the Tops Movie Fare 10:00 Sati Nari-Feature Film 1:00 Cine News

Madhyantar 1:15 5:00 Mard Ki Zaban-Feature 1:30 5:30 Manabi Film News 6:00 5:00 Darpan 6:30 Grohon 5:15 Weekend Cinema

7:00 Film Time 5:45 Chorni-Feature Film 6:00 Chatpati Chat 9:15 9:30 Tara Rum 10:00 Integam-Feature Film 1:45 Tara Rum

2:30 Mohabat Ki Kasam-Feature Film 5:30 Chehren

Kuch Lamhe Kuch

#### **ZEE MUSIC** 6:00 Music Plus

2:15

Hit Pe Hit 10:25 Star Style 10:30 Hit Mix **11:00** Cool Age 11:30 Music Box 12:00 Music Plus 1:00 Hit Pe Hit 2:00 Jharokha Artist Of the Fortnight 2:35 3:05 Tara Rum 4:00 Hit Pe Hit 5:00 Music Box 5:30 Hit Mix 6:00 Compact Disc 6:30 Music Plus 7:30 Hit Pe Hit 8:30 Just Jammin Dil Se 9:00 9:30 Music Box 10:00 Sizzlers

2:00 Hit Pe Hit

# 7:00 Aalaap

Sesame Street 6:00 Pulitzer The Killing Mind 10:00 Sea Change

11:00 Lost child, The Clifford Caillou Sea Change

Sliders Season II Harvest of Fire 7:00 9:00 Star Trek : Voyager 10:00 Navigating The Heart

#### **SPORTS** 7:30 Football Focus

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9:30

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**ESPN** 6:30 Sportscenter Hindi 7:00 NFL Football (I) Pontiac, MI USA St. Louis Rams @ Detroit Lions 10:30 X-Games Preview/Recap 2001 X Games Wrecked Part

11:00 English Premier Football League English Premier Football League 2001/02 Liverpool, England Liverpool @ Everton Pool World Pool Masters 2001 2:00 Sportscenter

tiac, MI USA St. Louis Rams @ Detroit Lions Motoworld Tony Hawk's Gigantic Skatepark Tour 2001 Tony Hawk's Gigantic Skatepark Tour

NFL Football (I) Pon-

8:30 Sportscenter Hindi English Premier Football League English Premier Football League 2001/02 London, England Newcastle United @ Chelsea 11:00 Dk Dirt Indianapolis, In USA

11:30 Sportscenter Hindi 12:00 Pool World Pool Masters 2001 Motoworld 1:30 Sportscenter Hindi 2:00 Maior League Baseball **Division Series** Sportscenter Hindi Baseball Max 5:00 5:30

International

Sportscenter Hindi STAR SPORTS 7:30 Sportsline Today Trans World Sport

Allianz Championship Des Moines, IA USA Second Round 12:00 Asian Basketball Show 12:30 Sportsline Today English Premier Football League English Premier Football League 2001/02 Liverpool, England Liverpool @ Everton National Sports Report 3:30 WTA Tour Sparkassen

Cup Leipzig, Germany Quarterfinal & Semifinal 6:30 Sailing Volvo Ocean Race Badminton Sydney International Badminton 2001 Sydney, Australia **Event Highlights** 

3:30 Sportsline Tonight 4:00 ships Auckland, New Zealand Highlights Sportsline Tonight 5:30 Table Tennis ITTF Pro Tour 2001 Korea Open

8:00 Sportsline Tonight 8:30 Spanish Football League 2001/02 Spanish Football League

10:30 Sportsline Tonight 11:00 Formula Nippon Formula Nippon 2001 Mine Central Park, Japan Round 8 12:00 Sportsline Tonight 12:30 FIM World Motorcycle

Championship Motogp 2001 Motegi, Japan Sports India Rally Racing 2001 FIA World Rally Champion-

10:30 Jharokha 11:05 Fillers 11:35 Phoren Maal **12:35** Shabab 1:05 Music Box Seoul, South Korea 1:30 Jharokha Semifinals

**BANGLA** Sheshprashna Goenda Paribar 6:30 7:00 Ekushe Paa 7:30 News Surer Ei Dharana 8:00

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Dharay 8:30 Sur Taal 9:00 News

Bharat Bhraman 9:05 Kichu Smriti Kichu Gaan 9:30 10:00 Saregama 11:00 Sheshprashna

11:30 Grohon 12:00 Phire Elam 12:30 Samayer Sur 1:00 1:30 Ek Akasher Niche

Nayantara 2:00 2:00 Mon Mane Na -Feature Surer Ei Jharna Dharay

Shesh Prashna Purobi Nayantara

Ingeet 10:15 Football 10:45 Ek Palake 10:50 News 10:55 Ek Palake 11:00 Aat Pake Bandha 11:30 News

11:55 Ek Palake 12:00 Shesh Prashna **12:55** Ek Palake 12:30 Bangla Feature Film 3:00 Monniye 3:30

Bharat Bhramar 4:00 Nayantara 4:30 Ek Akasher Niche 5:00 Chena Mukher Shari

5:30 Football **HALLMARK** 

12:00 Oldest Living Confeder-ate Widow Tells All Katts and Dog 2:30 Katts and Dog

Oldest Living Confeder-3:00 ate Widow Tells All Roxanne: The Prize

Sliders Season II Sesame Street 2:00 3:00 3:30 4:00 Star Trek : Voyager 5:00 6:00