Dhaka encounters French author Jacques Prevert

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Alliance Française de Dhaka observes Lire en Fete or Reading Festival to promote general reading habit



Logo:Reading Festival-2001 **TAWFIQUE ALI**

IRE en Fete or Reading Festival is a yearly event hosted by Alliance Francaise all over the world and sponsored by the cultural affairs Ministry of France. Alliance Francaise in Bangladesh dedicates the Lire en Fete-2001 edition to ambidexterer Freach author Jacques Prevert," says Christophe Steyer, Deputy Director of Alliance Française

de Dhaka When asked why they decided to focus on Prevert. Chris-tophe's reply was, "Prevert was very near to the people. He spoke for the masses. His effort was to break a barrier between so called intelligentsia and the mass people. Another notable point in this regard is that Prevert was a frequenter in different fields of art like literature, fine art, film making and script writing."

The sole objective of Lire en Fete is to draw commoners' attention to the significance and necessity of having an access to reading. To inspire people to have an acquaintance with books more and more; to open libraries and promote reading

habit of the general people is the thematic objective of the Reading Festival.

Jacques Prevert was a multi facetted talent; a communist and a member of the October group.

The Prevert show featured poster exhibition which presented his eventful life and different aspects of his work. The exhibits of the show focused Prevert as a poet, a graphic artist and a dialogue writer. Screening of three movies for which he wrote the dialoque and script is also part of the highlight of the festival. The exhibition has offered the viewers a menu of Prevert's literary work, some memorable moments with Janine Prevert and Pablo Picasso, posters of his movies, his collage art work and self-portrait.

An exponent of surrealist movement in poetry. Prevert had a concern for contemporary life and politics reflected both in his literary work and film. He had a very close contact with the famous French film director Marcel Carne. Jacques Pervert took part in

the activities of the surrealists between 1925 and 1929. A self taught man, Prevert left school shortly after obtaining his primary school certificate. He disliked schoolmasters and exams, but was eager to exchange views about the books he read, the films he saw or the paintings he admired. At one stage Prevert broke away from the movement and gave vent to his anger writing 'Mort d'un Monsieur' (Death of a Gentlemen) full of unusual images and cultural references which marked the emergence of a writer. Despite his break from Breton's groups, Prevert did not abandon surrealism for he was drawn to all that was strange and disturbing. He believed that dreams transport one to another

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Talk Show: Kora Alap

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Portrait of Prevert

Two years after he broke away from the surrealists, Prevert joined the October group which once again gave him an opportunity to express his spirit of rebellion as an

The name the October group chose for itself had strong political implication. It was clearly an allusion not only to the Russian theatre but also to the Russian revolution. Prevert was tempted to join the Communist Party, but in the end he did not become a

All three movies screened as weekly movies programme at Allian Francaise, were directed by Marcel Carne. Famous French actor Gean Gabin has starred in 'The port of Shadows' and 'Daybreak.' The third film was 'The Gates of Night.'

In the 'Daybreak,' Francois, a factory worker, shoots his evil genius and then himself. Trapped of his own volition in a small suburban hotel room, he mediates on the derisory sequence of events that has driven him to murder: the love affairs first with a shy young girl, Francoise, then with the mature and the tenacious rivalry of Valentin... all stress the great

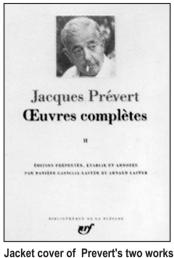


A collage work by Jacques Prevert

futility of his life. In 1937, the Popular Front saw its hopes dashed in Spain while the fateful Munich pact cast the shadow of war over Europe. This sense of doom was quickly reflected in most French films of that period. Suffering, suicide, sudden death... these themes became virtually the obsession of French filmmakers as the thirties drew to a close. Putting all the past events in a strict unity of time, place and action, this drama, built like a tragedy, is



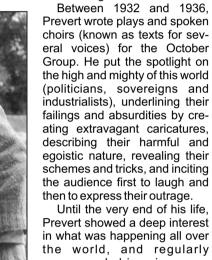
Jacges Prevert with friend Pablo Picasso, taken at Cannes Festival in 1951



rigorous and the most perfect of

all Marcel Carne's film.

In 'The port of Shadows'Jean Gabin stars a cynical yet vulnerable army deserter who arrives in the fog-bound port of Le havre seeking passage to a distant country. He adopts a new identity but his flight is halted when he falls in love with idealistic, trench-coated Michele Morgan, whom he attempts to wrest from



Prevert showed a deep interest in what was happening all over the world, and regularly expressed his views on currentevents. In 1950, he

JACQUES PRÉVERT

Spectacle

echoed the storm clouds gath-

ering over France in the late

(Pieree Brasseur) lives in Lilas

neighborhood, alcoholic and

lazy, he is the friend of L'artiste

(Georges Brassens), a guitarist-

singer. One day a dangerous

man runs into the cellar of

L'artiste to escape from police.

Juju likes him a lot, but he tries

In 'The gates of Night', Juju



Brumes by Marcel Carne

defended Henri Martin who had refused to fight against the Indo-Chinese ("People of Vietnam, do you hear..). The Algerian war and the use of torture aroused his anger, which he expressed in interviews for radio and in texts published mainly in Fatras (1996).

Like literature, painting occupied an important place in the work of Jacques Prevert. He was interested in a wide spectrum of art, starting from the miniatures of Le Livre du Cuer d'amours espris (1457) by Rene of Anjou, to the paintings by Piero di Cosimo (1462-1521) or Botticelli (1445-1510), and later, Douanier Rousseau (1844-1910), especially his Sleeping Bohemian. Alliance Française devotes

this yearly festival with a promotional view to provide the common readers a chance to peep into the boundless domain of knowledge arousing an inclination affinity towards books. Alliance Fraincaise de Dhaka

introduces one of those French authors who emerged out of creative tension to voice liberty, fraternity and equality holding the spirit of humanity above all



Art show

An exhibition of Rokeya Sultana's work ceremoniously opens on October 25, 2001 at 6: 00 p.m. at Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, House # 275/F, Road # 27, Dhanmondi. The artist's work reflect affliction inflicted on nature and women. The show runs everyday from 12 noon to 8 pm. till



Returns

This Hollywood blockbuster now runs at the country's premier cinema hall Modhumita. The Mummy Returns is the seguel of The Mummy and have all the ingredients of its earlier one. With its spine-tingling adventures against breath-taking landscapes, The Mummy Returns is sure to thrill cine buffs. Hordes of canine bodied Anubis warriorsliterally hounds from hell-bound across the Sahara in attack formation while carnivorus pygmy mummies ambush their pray in the iungles of the Nile

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 has been extended till October 31 everyday from 11 am

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TV GUIDE

BTV 3:10pmOpen University Health programme Khabar Sports programme Apan Bhumi Pushti Tathya Khabar Chharpatra Dolan Changa 7:00 7:05 7:25 8:00 News headlines Tukhar Abhiyatra News in Bangla 8:30 Drama Hridaya I 9: 00 News headlines Drama Hridaya Darpan 10:00 News in English 10:25 Special programme commemorating poet

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TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

BTV: 10:25 p.m. Nandonik Jibanananda. Commemorating poet Jibanananda Das this special contains a drama based on poet's famous story

Shari, recitations of poet's famous poems by Shafi researcher Abdul Mannan Sayed talks about poet's

STAR WORLD: 9:30 p.m. That '70s Show. Baby



Fever: Kelso demands money when Jackie smashes his van. Laurie's babysitting for a friend of Kitty's, and seeing a baby around the house makes Kitty think she might like to have another one. And to be a stay-at-home when they have kids. STAR WORLD: 11:30 p.m. Fraiser. The Unnatural:



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Fashion TV

Beautiful

Mork & Mindy

Happy Days

The Simpsons

Baywatch

Water Rates

Nash Bridges

Sangeet Toppers

Kaahin Kissii Roz

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STAR WORLD

Happy Days

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Mike Hammer Private

The Bold & The

3rd Rock From The

Shagun

Fredrick is visiting for the weekend and Fraiser wants to be the perfect Dad. But when Fraiser has to play in the company softball game, he realises that Fredrick will discover that his dad stinks. Martin offers to help Fraiser train for the big game, and in the batting cage, father and son bond

Star News Asia 5:00 5:30 Friends 6:00 That 70's Show 1:30 6:30 Everybody Loves Raymond 2:00 6:55 Asianews 7:00 Dharma & Gred 3:00 7:30 Frasier Chicago Hope 8:00 9:00 Friends That 70's Show 9:30 4:00 10:00 Dharma & Greg 10:30 Everybody Loves 4:30 Raymond 5:00 11:00 Frasier

11:30 Chicago Hope 12:30 That 70's Show Dharma & Greg Everybody Loves Raymond Frasier 3rd Rock From the Sun Creflo Dollar Daily Kenneth Copeland

5:30 Mork & Mindy 7:30 8:30 [V] Jumpstart 10:30 [V] Hit Machine 12:30 1:00 **IV1FDFS** 1:30 **[V]** Hit Machine 4:30 [V] Hotline 5:30 Ministries 7:30 [V] Hit Machine Life in the Word With 9:30 10:00 **IV1FDFS** Jovce Mever 10:30 [V] Hit Machine World News 11:30 Late Night [V] Media TV 12:00 [V] Hit Machine

SPORTS

Bird on A Wire On HBO at 10:00 p.m.

PICK OF THE DAY

4:30 This action-romantic comedy stars Mel Gibson

(What Women Want) and Academy Awardwinning actress Goldie Hawn (The Out-Of-Towners) as a couple thrown together in lessthan-ideal circumstances. He is Rick Jarmin, her college boyfriend whom she assumed dead. When he shows up alive and kicking, she wishes he were dead.

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STAR MOVIES Turner and Hooch Mod Squad Midsummer's Night

1:00 [V] Hit Machine

11:45 End Of Days, the Escape From New York 3:30 Lake Placid 5:00 Baia 7:00 Instinct 9:00 Rocky 10:45 Mod Squad 12:30 Light Sleeper 2:30 Blue Skv

Turner and Hooch **ZEE TV** Yaadon Ke Pal Aalaap

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

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1:00 Manzilein Apni Apni 1:25 Jhalak 1:30 Koi Apna Sa Choti Maa Ek Anokha 2:00 Gharana 3:00 Jeet Feature Film

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South Africa Cricket

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1:00 Razzmatazz Deewane To Deewane 2:00 2:30 Manzilein Apni Apni Feature Film 5:30

Making Of A Legend

Khan Dst-Feature Film

Bahubeti-Feature Film

Yehi Hai Zindagi-Feature

Hirasat-Feature Film

Kuch Lamhe Kuch

Jungle Ka beta-Feature Film

Movie Fare

Chatpati Chat

Madhvantar

Ikke Pe Ikka

Film Time

Cine News

Tara Rum

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10:00 Zee Jalsa Ranna Ghar 10:30 Insaan Aur Shaitan 11:00 11:30 News in Hindi 12:00 **ZEE CINEMA** 1:00 Jaan Ki Kasam-Feature

Premer Phande Grohon Manabi Saat Kahan 1:30 Kashinath 2:00 Sanghat Kuch Lamhe Kuch 2300

SureEi Jharna Dharay Surer Ei Jharna Dharay Jhara Samayer Unakatha 6:00 News 6:30 Grohon

Shesh Prashna 7:00 7:30 Kichu smriti Kichu Gaan 8:00 Navantara 8:30 Ek Akasher Niche 9:15 Chena Mukh Shari 9:45 10:15 Football 10:45 Ek Palake

10:50 News 10:55 Ek Palake Goyenda Paribar Ek Palake 11:55 Prapto Baekoder Janyo

12:55 Bangla Feature Film Googly Bharat Bhraman Navantara Ek Akasher Niche 5:00 Chena Mukher Shari

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Star Trek: Vovage

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Zealand Tour of Pakistan Karachi, Pakistan New Zealand @ Pakistan 3rd Test, Day 2, Highlights American Muscle 2001

American Muscle Pakistan Cricket New Zealand Tour of Pakistan Karachi, Pakistan New Zealand @ Pakistan 3rd Test, Day 3, 1st

Session International Beach soccer Beach Soccer Worldwide Mexico @ Portugal 6:30 Tony Hawk's Gigantic

Skatepark Tour 2001

Premier League Highlights 2001/02 Sportscenter Hindi Western Union World Football Pakistan Cricket New Zealand Tour of Pakistan Karachi, Pakistan New Zealand @ Pakistan 3rd Test, Day 3, Highlights 10:30 UEFA Champions

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League Highlights 2001/02 UEFA Champions League Weekly 11:30 Sportscenter Hindi English Premier League Highlights English Premier League Highlights 2001/02 NFL Blast 2:00 Sportscenter Hindi 2:30 3:00 Motoworld

MLB World Series

English Premier League 7:30 Sportsline Today Highlights English Five/Six Nations Championships 2001 Dublin, Republic of Ireland England @ Ireland 10:30 PGA Tour Golf National

Game

STAR SPORTS

Car Rental Classic At Walt Disney World Orlando, FL USA Final RoundGo Kart Champions of the Future Karting Sries 2001Cumbria, United Kindom High-1:00 English Premier Football League 2001/02 Tennis Masters series

By Mercedes-Benz Stuttgart Stuttgart, Germany Men's Final South Africa Cricket South Africa Tri Cape Town, South Africa Kenya @ I South Africa 8th odi. Preview

South Africa Tri Cape

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odi. Lunchtime

5:00 Sportsline Tonight

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Music Plus Hit Pe Hit 9:00 Cool Age 9:30 Music Box 10:00 Sizzlers 10:30 Jharokha 11:05 Artist Of The Fortnight 11:35 Phoren Maal 12:35 Shabab

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Music Box

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Hit Pe Hit

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5:00 6:00 Sliders Season III 7:00 9.00 10:00 Primal Secrets