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Korea week **A taste of Korea**

Korea Week, now being held in the city and continues till November 9, unveils rich and multi-layered culture of the country

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HE most comprehen-sive cultural extrava-ganza ever in Dhaka featuring a country and its rich and varied cultural tapestry is unique. The Korea Week, inaugurated through a painting exhibition yesterday by the front-ranking artist Lee Doo-Shik, showcases the heritage and culture of a country that is textured, colourful and multifarious.

Through a wide variety of programmes, the week brings in a taste of Korea and enhances a greater understanding of the peninsula and its artistic and creative achievements and in the process spreading the spirit of globalization where one understands other deeply and build a close-knit friendship.

Dhaka has just begun to encounter a Korea she has never seen before. Organised by Korean Embassy in Dhaka and co-sponsored jointly by Ministry of Cultural Affairs, Ministry of Information, and The Daily Star, a bevy of events ranging from art exhibition, film festival, speech contest, traditional martial art to folk music, food festival, bazaar and merchandize exhibition will construct a comprehensive image of Korea, who established diplomatic ties with Dhaka back in 1973.

The universal appeal of art and culture and its power to bridge gaps between nation and communities have been, as expressed by the Korean Ambassador in Dhaka Youngjo Jung in the official brochure of the Week, the raison détre of the Korean Week.

The art lovers of the country would savour the intricate and fecund canvas of Lee Doo-Shik, one of the finest artists in contemporary Korean art scene. Doo-Shik won the Manif Seoul



Taekwondo has existed in Korea for over 2000 years. This art form for self defence is Korea's national sport

Grand Prize in 2001. His other major awards include Special Prize at the National Art Exhibition in 1968, Prize of Sun art Group at the Sun art Gallery in 1988. Currently a professor at the College of Fine Arts, Hong-Ik University, Doo-Shik has 15 one-man shows in his credit to

date. He has also participated in prestigious exhibitions internationally including CAGNES International Painting Festival in France in 1984, '89 Sapporo-Seoul Art Show in Japan in 1989, Miami Art Fair in USA in 1992, and FIAC in France in 1996.



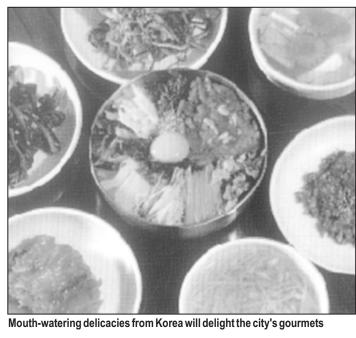
Lee Doo-Shik's bright canvas will surely win the heart of country's art lovers

Doo-Shik's solo is now being held at Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy gallery and will run until November 13 from 11 am to7pm.

A three-day Korean Film Festival opens on November 6 at the BRAC centre Inn Auditorium featuring master Korean film-makers like Bae Changho, Park Cheol-su, and Hong Sang-su. Stairways of Heaven by director Bae Chang-ho will be the festival opener. A love story, the film revolves on the affair of Yu-mi and Myeong-kil, who is conductor of choir.

After graduating high school. Yu-mi becomes a model. Although she is picked up by Maoao Kim, a trainer of show business and succeeds to be a famous star, she is tired of firmly scheduled life without her will and hypocrisy that she has to disguise Seo-young as her niece. Moreover Je-ong, a manager of a newspaper, persistently asks her whether Seoyoung is her daughter or not. Agonized Yu-mi voluntarily holds a press conference just before releasing of her new film 'First Love' to reveal her stories. Later the film is a hit and disabled Myeong-kil is touched by her film. Finally Myeong-kil appears to Yu-mi with a rose bouquet and Yu-mi decides to live in the country with him.

Winner of Good Film of '90, the second film of the festival Oseam Hermitage by director Park Cheol-su is a story of two brother and sister, Kil-son and Gam-yi, who were brought up in an orphanage. They give up the well-conditioned adoption because they can't forget their mommy and home and above all they don't want to separate each other. So they get out of the orphanage but their hometown is already under water. A young man raped little Gam-yi. After they meet Monk Haengwun when they were in despair, they live in the monk's



hermitage. While the monk goes about asking for alms, the heavy snow blocked the way to the hermitage. Sister Angela barely arrives there and is surprised to see the brother and sister. The boy Kil-son with deadly pale look is sitting in the hermitage and says his sister will open her eyes soon. As he says this, the boy died. The name of this hermitage is Oseam.

The third film The Day a Pig Fell into a Well by director Hong Sang-su tells the story of a novelist yet to get publisher for his. As the novelist Hyoseob discovers dust covers his manuscripts in his friend's publishing company, Hyoseob keenly disputes with a critic at a gathering table that night. Then he gets to be behind the bars. Suffering from sense of inferiority and persecution due to being considered as third grade writer, Hyouseob falls in passionate love with Bo-kyeong, a married woman. Her husband Dongwu, a mysophobic, often goes to Jin-ju on business and he

can't trust on Bo-kyeong. By the way Min-jae, a ticket seller of a theatre who dreams to be the novelist Hye-seon's wife with fair vanity and illusion, feel happy while she helps him to revise manuscripts but he is indulged in love affair with Bokyeong without thinking of Mijae. Bo-kyeong determines to escape with Hyou-seob believing she can find herself that she abandoned only if she decides.

Expatriate Korean community in Dhaka will hold a bazar beginning on the sixth at the residence of Korean ambassador. The day-long bazar will run from 11 am to 3 pm.

Osmani Memorial Hall will host the Korean Speech Contest, Taekwondo, Samulnori between 3 and 6 pm on November 8. The Korean language is spoken by more than 70 million people living in the peninsula and 5 million more living in other parts of the world.

Martial art Taekwondo in Korea dates back to 2000 years. This art form for self-defence has become a Korean national sport and is a compulsory course for training in military. Taekwondo primarily focuses on the development and discipline of both the body and the mind. This art form was adopted as a regular event in the 10th Asian Games and became a regular event at the 2000 summer Olympics in Sydney.

The grand finale of the Korean Week, Korean Food Festival to be held on November 9 that will serve traditional dishes like Kimchi, Bulgogi, Bibimbap, and Gimbap, would certainly be a unique culinary experience to be cherished and treasured by the city dwellers for many years to come.

All in all, Korea Week will construct a rich and delicate image of Korea and offer an opportunity to discover a culture that has been spreading the message of living with harmony with the universe for centuries

André Malraux

Celebrating the birth centenary of the famous French writer André Malraux Alliance Francaise de Dhaka has organised the following conferences at the Alliance Francaise de Dhaka Gallery: November 5 at 6:30 p.m. Conference topic: André Malraux, the novelist Speaker: Professor Francois de

Saint-Cheron, Paris-IV University, Sorbonne November 6 at 6:30 p.m. Conference topic: André Malraux and the Liberation War of

Bangladesh Speaker: Professor Moahud Shah Qureshi

November 9 at 6:30 p.m. Conference topic: André Malraux, les Antimémoires Speaker: Professor Francois de Saint-Cheron, Paris-IV University

Group show

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A group exhibition of Samakal Shilpi Goshty is being held at the Shilpangan art gallery

Sculpture show

The second group sculpture show by eight artists is being held at the Zainul Gallery of the Institute of Fine Arts, Dhaka University at Shahbag.

The exhibition will continue everyday fro 2 - 8 p.m. till November 7.

Art show

An exhibition of Rokeya Sultana's work is now being held 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 November 14.

The Mummy Returns

This Hollywood blockbuster now runs at the country's premier cinema hall Modhumita.

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