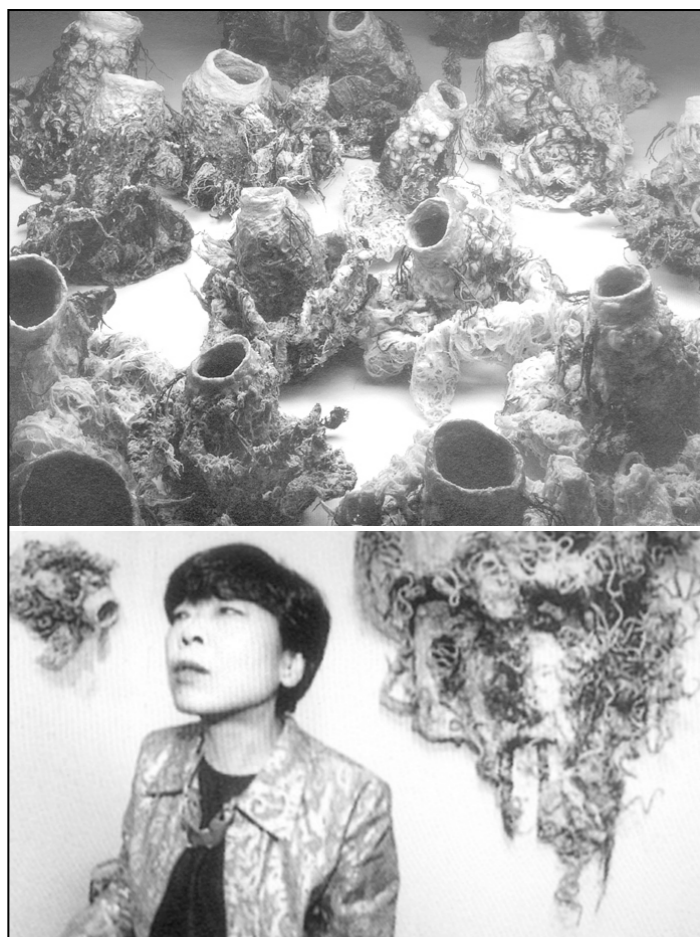


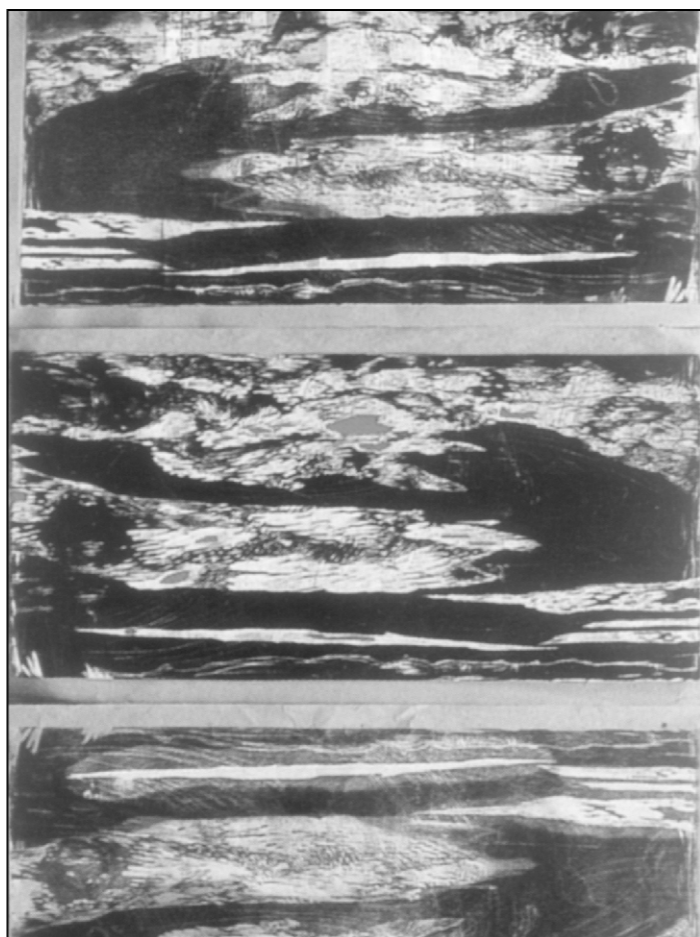
Exhibition

First Asian art biennale of the new millennium kicks off

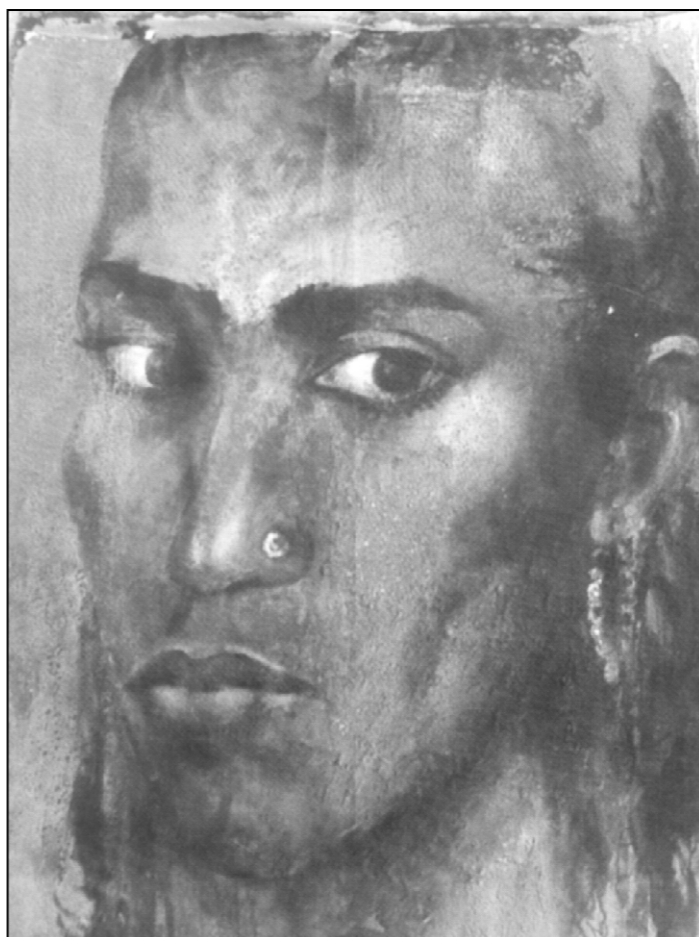
Grand Prizes go to Japanese, Saudi Arabian and Bangladeshi artists



JIGOKURAKU 1997 mixed media (top) Naoko Majima (bottom)



Gleaming in Moonlight night-3 Woodcut / Mokhlesur Rahman



Face of a girl Acrylic / Jamal Ahmed

THE Asian Art Biennale Bangladesh 2001, which has already earned a prestige for itself as one of the most important exhibitions of the Asia and the Pacific, was officially kicked off yesterday at Osmani Memorial Hall.

including the judges, members of parliament, ministers, chiefs of diplomatic cores, heads of various organisations, journalists and respected members of the citizenry attended the opening ceremony amidst tight security.

this exhibition was playing strong cultural bond among the Asian and Pacific countries. Director-General of Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy Mustafa Zaman Abbasi said that Bangladeshi artists had shown their commitment in preserving and upholding their cultural heritage at important times.

of the 600 or so painters and sculptors participating the exhibition, Mustafa Zaman Abbasi pointed at the cultural gap that exists between countries that had assembled for the exhibition.

name Mazen Ismail Lotfi from Egypt who received the first of the seven awards of Honourable Mention. Other honourable mentioned artists are C.F. John from India, Metta Glamling from Thailand, Ahmed Al Asadi from Qatar, Tang Wei of Chinese origin, the Iranian female conceptual artist Krista Nassi and Jamal Ahmed, the young Bangladeshi artistic prodigy from Manikganj district.

winning artists from Japan Naoko Majima, Hashim Ali Sultan, from Saudi Arabia and Mokhlesur Rahman from Bangladesh, each of who received a cheque of taka one lac.

Festival

Curtain rises on the Nriyanchal Festival 2002

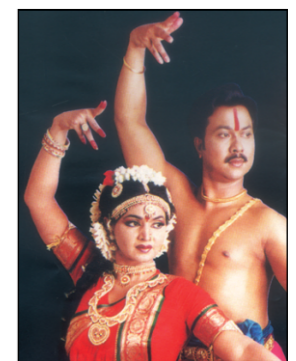
The much waited dance and music festival organised by Nriyanchal, a leading dance group, opens today.

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

THE inaugural ceremony of the five day long Nriyanchal festival takes place at Bangladesh Shishu Academy auditorium at 6:00 p.m. Begum Selima rahman, State Minister for Cultural Affairs, is due to formally inaugurate the festival in a joyous evening.

Other parts of the inaugural programmes include honouring a total of country's four elderly dance masters. Holding a Soumitra Evening to accord an honorary reception to this legendary actor, is on the programme menu.

RECOMMENDATIONS



Nriyanchal Festival 2002

Nriyanchal, a front ranking organisation in the country to institutionalise dance as a popular form of art, is organising a five-day long dance festival from January 10 to 14 at Bangladesh Shishu Academy Auditorium.

Sculpture show

A group sculpture show is now being held at the gallery of National Museum at Shahbagh. The show showcases recent work by Hamiduzzaman, Ily Zaman and Rowan Aziz.

Art show of three Bengali pioneers

An exhibition showcasing works of pioneer artists Zainul Abedin, Qamul Hassan and S.M. Sultan--of Bangladeshi art movement opens at the Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts at Dhanmandi on January 12.

Asian Art Workshop

Bengal Foundation will hold a three-day art workshop involving the participants and delegates of the 10th Asian Art Biennale at BRAC Centre, Rajendrapur on January 14 at 12:00 p.m.

Group Art Show

The 45th Grand Group Art Exhibition of leading Bangladeshi artists organised by Sajur Art Gallery is now being held at its gallery space at Gulshan, North Super Market 2nd circle.

TV GUIDE

BTV Morning session 9:45 Live telecast of Bangladesh vs Pakistan Cricket Test Match Evening session 3:10 News Headlines 4:00 Khabar 5:00 News Headlines 5:05 Maternity and child health development programme 5:25 cartoon picture 6:00 Khabar 6:10 Sukhi Paribar 6:35 Religion and Life 7:00 News Headlines in English 7:05 Aubhijatra 7:30 Sandya Malati 8:00 Bangla bulletin 8:30 Movie : Ocean Girl 9:00 News Headlines 9:05 Drama serial: Shubha Buddhi 9:30 geetabitan 10:00 English bulletin 10:25 Bazar Samachar 11:30 Khabar/The News 11:45 Closing EKUSHEY TV 9:30am Bangladesh-Pakistan Test Cricket Match Live Telecast from Dhaka 3:00pm Ekushey Headlines 3:05 Bangladesh-Pakistan Test Cricket Match Live Telecast from Dhaka 5:00 Circus Circus 5:30 Drishti 5:50 Akjer Potrikay 6:00 Ekushey Headlines 6:05 Classic Cartoons 6:30 Radhuneer Rannaghor 6:55 Ekushey Headlines 7:00 Deshjure 7:30 Ekushey News 7:58 Ek Minute 8:00 Drama : Ohorroho 9:00 Ekushey News (English) 9:05 Serial: Alif Laila 10:00 News: Simulcast from BTV 10:30 Drama: Protidin Ekte Golap 11:00 Ekushey Nightly News 12:00 Ei Shoptaher Bishsho 12:30 Ekushey News Headlines

ATN 5:30 Islamic prog: Health care prog: Sustha Thakun 7:35 Film songs prog: Surchobi 8:00 ATN Bangla News 8:25 Drama serial: Rang Beronger Din 9:00 Musical prog: Antor Jane 9:35 Cooking prog: Ranna Banna 10:10 Drama Serial: Brettayer Bhalobasha 10:50 Drama serial: Bondon 11:20 Bengali feature film: K-Ashal K-Nakol 12:00pm ATN Bangla News 6:07 Islamic prog: Sundor Jeabaner Jannee 6:45 Musical prog : Protibha 7:00 ATN Bangla Evening News 7:35 Musical prog. Amar Kechu Ghar 8:10 Drama serial: Bondon 8:45 Talk Show: Samokalin Prosongo 9:20 Reporting prog: Prekha Pot 10:00 ATN Bangla News 10:45 Bengali feature film: Johora Pakhee 10:30 ATN Bangla News HBO 6:30am Breakfast At Tiffany's 8:45 Rag and Bone 10:30 Kramer Vs. Kramer 12:45 pm Losing Isaiah 3:00 Rumpel Stiltzkin 4:45 Slencing Mary 6:30 Allan Quatermain and The Lost City of Gold 8:30 Balto 10:00 Urban Legend 12:00 Art Pupil 2:15 Losing Isaiah 4:30 Allan Quatermain and The Lost City of Gold STAR GOLD 7:30am Aadmii (Dilip Kumar, Waheeda Rehman, Manoj Kumar) 10:30 Amul Bollywood News 11:00 Geet Bahar 11:30 Sharda (Raj Kapoor, Meena Kumari) 3:00pm Amul Bollywood News 3:30 Bade Dilwala (Rishi Kapoor, Tina Munim) 7:00 Geet Bahar 7:30 Lamhe Pyaar Ke : Khilona (Sanjeev Kumar, Mumtaz) 11:00 Amul Bollywood News 11:30 Barkha Bahar (Navin Nischol, Rekha) 12:30 Barkha Bahar (Navin Nischol, Rekha) 3:00 Geet Bahar STAR WORLD 6:00 Happy Days 6:30 3" Rock From The Sun 7:00 The 2002 29" Annual

American music Awards 10:00 Ally McBeal 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show 12:00pm The Practice 1:00 Fashion TV 1:30 The Bold And The Beautiful 2:30 Happy Days 3:00 Baywatch 12:30 Roswell 2:30 3" Rock From The Sun 3:00 Creffo Dollar Daily 3:30 Kenneth Copeland Ministries 4:00 World News 5:00 Media TV 5:30 Mork And Mindy STAR PLUS 6:00am Sanskruti 6:30 Star Geetmala 7:30 Hum Saath Aath Hain 8:00 Aatma 9:00 Hit Filmlein Hit Sangeet 9:30 Fox Kids Daily 10:30 Small Wonder 11:00 Pal Chhin 11:30 Saahil 12:30 Shanti 12:30 Hit Filmlein Hit Sangeet 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 Shagan 3:30 Kasauti Zindagi Kay 4:00 Kabhi Sauten Kabhi Saheli 4:30 Kaahin Kissii Roz 5:00 Meri Saheli 5:30 Hit Filmlein Hit Sangeet 6:00 Small Wonder 6:30 Fox Kids 7:00 Aaj Ki Baat 7:30 Sanskruti 8:00 Hum Saath Aath Hain 8:30 Kundali 9:00 Kasautii Zindagi Kay 9:30 Wajood Mini Series 10:00 Kangan 10:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii 11:00 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi 11:30 Kaahin Kissii Roz 12:05 Aaj Ki Baat 12:30 Jubilee Plus 1:00 Hit Filmlein Hit Sangeet 1:30 Kasautii Zindagi Kay 2:00 Bol Baby Bol 2:30 Yeh Hai Right Price 3:00 Pal Chhin 3:30 Saahil 4:00 Shanti 4:30 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi DISCOVERY 7:00 am Going Wild With Jeff Corwing 7:30 Wild Discovery 8:30 Lonely Planet IV 9:30 Ultimate Guide, The: Horses

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS ATN: 8:10 p.m. Bandhan. Script and direction by Shahina Khan, today's episode of this drama serial features the play write. EKUSHEY : 7:00 p.m. Deshjurey. Today's episode of this programme features a report on crisis of drinking water at Pirojpur town. Amar Audhikar features the victims of rape and acid throwing in Sylhet region. There will be another feature on migratory birds of Rangamati. EKUSHEY : 8:00 p.m. Aharaha. This drama portrays a simple village boy Asad who comes to Dhaka after completion of his study. Here he happens to be a witness to a murder and the urban people appear to him to be cunning. 10:30 Understanding II 11:30 Champions of the Wild 12:00 pm All Bird TV 12:30 Travel Time 1:30 Women's Hour 2:30 Wild Discovery 3:30 Going Wild With Jeff Crowin 4:30 War Zone 5:30 Rumpel Planet VI 6:30 Champions of the Wild 7:00 All Bird TV 7:30 Wild Discovery 8:30 Ushuaia 9:30 Ultimate Guide, The: Octopus 10:30 Daring Capers 11:30 Daring Capers II 11:30 War Zone STAR NEWS 6:00 Breakfast News 6:30 Star Khel 7:30 Bollywood News 8:30 Star Bazaar 9:00 Saat Baje 9:30 Hotline 10:30 Tonight at 8 11:30 Star Samachar 12:00 Star News English 12:30 Star Business News 10:30 Star Newshour 11:30 Star News English 12:00 Star News Hindi 12:30 Sports Tonight AXN 6:30 Movie: Apocalypse Now 8:30 Boardwild 9:30 Test of the Toughest 10:30 Pensacola III 11:30 Pacific Blue I 12:30 The Amazing Race

PICK OF THE DAY Urban Legend On HBO at 10:00 pm Urban legends are the stuff of, well ... legend! And also the topic of this horror flick. Professor Wexler teaches American Folklore at Pendleton University where, legend has it, a psychotic academic once murdered himself and six students. One-by-one, a series of bizarre deaths occur, all mirroring the urban legend told about the university murders. 7:00 Yoga For Life 7:20 Jagran 7:50 Zee Gym & Eat Healthy 8:20 News 8:30 Ardhangini 8:45 Yaaden Radio Ceylon Ki Bandhan 9:00 Nickelodeon On Zee 10:00 Guldasta 10:30 Do Aur Do Paanch 11:00 Ek Tukdaa Chaand Ka Ek Nazar 11:30 Ek Nazar 12:00 Mehndi Tere Naam Ki Sarhadain 1:00 Aan 1:15 Jhalak 1:30 Kohi Apna Sa 2:00 Choti Maa Ek Anokha Bandhan 2:30 Test of the Toughest 2:30 Movie: Apocalypse Now 4:30 Alfred Hitchcock Presents 5:30 The Amazing Race 6:30 Core Culture 7:30 Pacific Blue I 8:30 Test of the Toughest 9:30 World Most Among 10:30 Thu Horror Movie: The Frighteners 12:30 Silk Stalkings VII 1:30 Pacific Blue I 2:30 Pensacola III 3:30 Alfred Hitchcock Presents ZEE TV 6:00 ESPN 6:00 Expn 2 Day 6:30 Sportscenter Hindi 7:00 National Hockey Night New York, NY USA Los Angeles Kings @ New York Rangers 6:30 English Premier Football League 2001/02 Ipswich, England Blackburn Rovers @ Ipswich Town 8:30 Sportscenter Hindi 9:00 World Cup Mix 9:30 English Premier League Highlights English Premier League Highlights 2001/02 11:30 Sportscenter Hindi 12:00 Italian Serie A Football Italian Serie A 2001/2002 Lecce, Italy Ac Milan @ Lecce 3:00 Soccer The Match Of

8:30 Hit Pe Hit 10:30 Hit Mix 11:00 Just Jammin 11:30 Music Box 12:00 Music Plus 1:00 Hit Pe Hit 2:00 Jharokha 2:35 Cool Age 3:05 Tara Rum 4:00 Hit Pe Hit 5:00 Zee Music Box 5:30 Hit Mix 6:00 Blue 6:30 Zee Music Plus 7:30 Hit Pe Hit 8:30 Pyaar Mohabbat Etc 9:00 Artist of the Fortnight 9:30 Music Box 10:00 Sizzlers 10:30 Jharokha 11:05 Dil Se 11:35 Phoren Maal ZEE MGM 1:30 The Dreaming 4:00 Committed 6:00 China Moon 9:00 Dead Man Walking 11:30 Bill & Teds Bogus Journey 2:00 Desperate Hours 4:30 Posse 7:00 China Moon 9:30 Dead Man Walking 11:30 Bill & Teds Bogus Journey ZEE ENGLISH 7:00 Family Pride 7:30 Heartbreak High 8:30 For Your Love 9:00 Three's Company 9:30 Kate & Allie 10:00 Capitol 10:30 ER 11:30 Full House 12:30 Fresh Prince of Bel Air 1:00 Royal Canadian Air Farce 2:30 Gharana 3:00 Hindi Feature Film 6:00 Ek Nazar 6:30 Nickelodeon On Zee 7:30 Ek Nazar 8:00 Aan 8:30 Sarhadain 9:00 Amanat 9:30 Choti Maa Ek Anokha Bandhan 10:00 Kohi Apna Sa 10:30 Aaj Bhi ... Aateet 11:00 Dollar Bahu 11:30 Ek Tukdaa Chaand Ka 12:00 Gharana ZEE MUSIC 7:00 Aalaap 7:30 Tara Rum 2:00 Gharana 3:00 Hindi Feature Film 6:00 Ek Nazar 6:30 Nickelodeon On Zee 7:30 Ek Nazar 8:00 Aan 8:30 Sarhadain 9:00 Amanat 9:30 Choti Maa Ek Anokha Bandhan 10:00 Kohi Apna Sa 10:30 Aaj Bhi ... Aateet 11:00 Dollar Bahu 11:30 Ek Tukdaa Chaand Ka 12:00 Gharana ZEE MUSIC 7:00 Aalaap 7:30 Tara Rum

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5:15 Tara Rum 17:15 Film Time 6:00 Khilona Bana 6:00 Khilnayak-Feature Film 9:15 Yaadein Radio Ceylon Ki 9:30 Top Of The Tops 10:00 Divya Shakti-Feature Film HALLMARK 6:00am Redwood Curtain 8:00 White Dware 10:00 Lonesome Dove: The Series 11:00 Redwood Curtain 1:00pm Sliders 2:00 Sesame Street 3:00 Scholastic Clifford 3:30 Cailou 4:00 Lonesome Dove: The Series 5:00 Star Trek: Voyager 6:00 Sliders 7:00 Within These Walls 9:00 Star Trek: Voyager 10:00 Trail of Tears 12:00 WEIRD World 2:00 Kates and Dog 3:00 WEIRD World 5:00 Sesame Streets ANIMAL PLANET 7:00 Dild on the Set II 7:30 Animal Doctor II 8:00 Vets on the Wild Side 8:30 Animal Planet Safari 9:30 Tamed N Trained Thursday K-9 to 5 10:00 Tamed N Trained Thursday 11:00 Animals A-Z 11:30 Animal People 12:00 Wild Rescues 12:30 The Planet's Funniest Animals 1:00 All Bird TV 1:30 The Aquanauts 2:00 Battersea Dogs Home III 2:30 Monkey Business 3:00 Natural World 4:00 Vet's School 4:30 Jeff Corwin Experience 5:30 Tamed N Trained Thursday 6:00 Tamed N Trained Thursday 7:00 Animal Hospital 7:30 Battersea Dogs Home 8:00 Animal Planet Safari 9:00 X Creatures 9:30 Champions of the Wild II 10:00 Vet's School 10:30 Jeff Corwin Experience 11:30 Tamed N Trained Thursday 12:00 Tamed N Trained Thursday