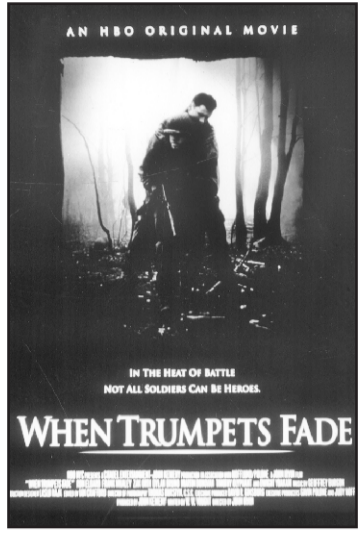


PICK OF THE WEEK



The Movie

When Trumpets Fade on HBO May 6th at 10:00 PM
What time is it? It's 1944, in the closing days of World War 2. Where are we? The Hurtgen Forest, Germany. Private Manning pleads for a Section 8 so he can get away from all the shells, shrapnel and shocks that are a frontline soldier's lot in war. He's convinced he's gone mental and will do more harm than good for the army.



The Sport

1st Cricket Test live on ESPN everyday till May 5 from 10 am
Pakistan Vs New Zealand



Our Choice

The Finishing Touch on HBO May 3 at 12:00 PM
Somewhere in LA some nutcase has developed a taste for killing women in tasteful ways -- positioning them in attractive posse before offing them. Then catching his murders on tape for sale overseas. When Sam Stone's (Nader) attitude gets him booted off this case, his ex-wife Hannah gets the assignment.

Satellite TV



Ekushey: on May 5 at 8:05 p.m. Shada Kagoi, Shila's father leads a retired life that encourages his educated daughter to stand on her own by producing honey. Shila earns success by her father's inspiration. Known as a modest youth, Shajal is a distant cousin of hers. He is a lively singer and painter. There's a mark of melancholy in him. She falls in love with him and seeks means of life.



It's a tale dating back in the British rule in this Indian Sub-continent. A revolutionary movement is on. Aunil is a revolutionary who escapes police arrest time and again. The police officer comes to know that a mysterious woman facilitates his escape. The officer seeks help from his wife who lets him know that the mysterious woman will pay her offerings at the temple today.



Casper on HBO, May 9th at 10:00 PM
Who said there is no such thing as ghosts? The world's friendliest ghost comes to HBO with outstanding visual trickery. It all happens one day when Kat (Ricci, Sleep Hollow) and her eccentric dad, Dr James Harvey (Pullman, Mr Jones, Independence Day), a self-styled 'ghost therapist' shows up on the doorstep of the desolate Whipstaff Manor. Hired by Whipstaff's scheming owner, Carrigan (Moriarty), Dr Harvey has to exorcise the ghost-infested manor from a friendly but lonely young ghost named Casper and his three incorrigibly odious uncles, Stretch, Stinkie and Fatso -- so that she can get her hands on the macabre manor's fabled treasure. Starring: Bill Pullman, Christina Ricci, Cathy Moriarty



ED, May 5 at 9:30 PM, At first glance, this may sound like a recipe for disaster -- a man playing second banana to a chimpanzee? However, the result is not only consistently entertaining but frequently laugh-out-loud funny. The man in question is Matt LeBlanc ("Friends" TV Series. Charlie's Angels) who plays Cooper, a minor league pitcher experiencing a pitching slump. His dubious luck brings him an amazing roommate -- a new third baseman named Ed -- who just happens to be a chimp with amazing throwing skills. In ways he could never expect, Cooper's life and career completely turns around as Ed helps him open his eyes and heart to the game and the people he loves. Starring: Matthew LeBlanc, Jayne Brook, Jack Warden



Virtuosity on HBO, May 7th at 10:00 PM, Ex-cop Oscar Winning Denzel Washington (Training Day) is sprung from prison to battle a "virtual" villain in this imaginative, futuristic thriller filled with eye-popping computer animation and special effects. Developed as a police-training device, "Sid 6.7" (Crowe, Gladiator, A Beautiful Mind) has the character traits of 181 psychopaths -- including Adolph Hitler, Charles Manson and the creep who killed Washington's family -- programmed into its memory bank. Now he's escaped from cyberspace, and it's up to Washington to hunt him down! If you wondered what Best Actor Oscar-winner Russell Crowe was up to before he became the sexiest man on the planet, you cannot miss this. Starring: Denzel Washington, Kelly Lynch, Russell Crowe

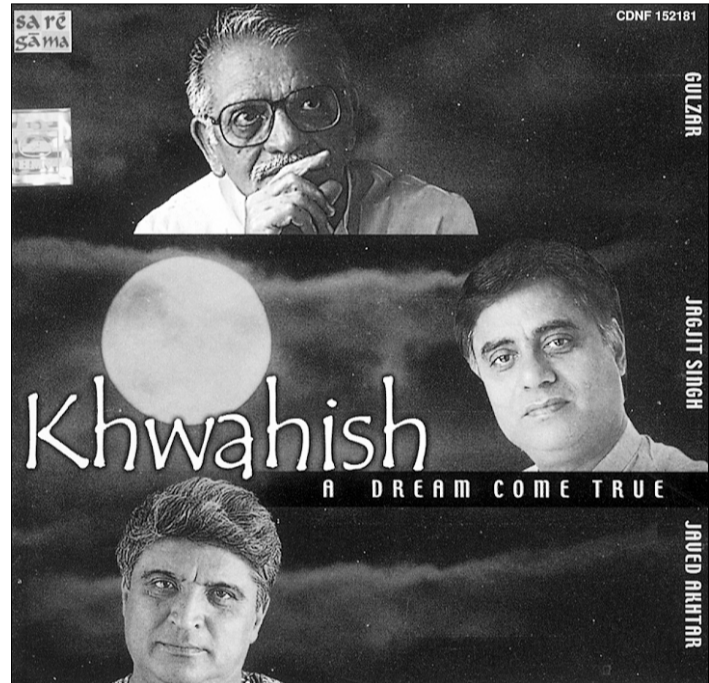
Flashdance on HBO, May 8th at 10:00 PM Alex Owens (Beals, Wishful Thinking) works the Pittsburgh steel-mills by day and the nightclub dance floors by night. But her dreams rise higher than the mill walls and the neon lights -- becoming a ballet dancer doesn't come cheap. But with her boss's (Nouri, Finding Forrester) money, pep talks by her dance instructor, an Oscar winning best song, and a bucketful of water, how could Alex go wrong? Starring: Jennifer Beals, Michael Nouri



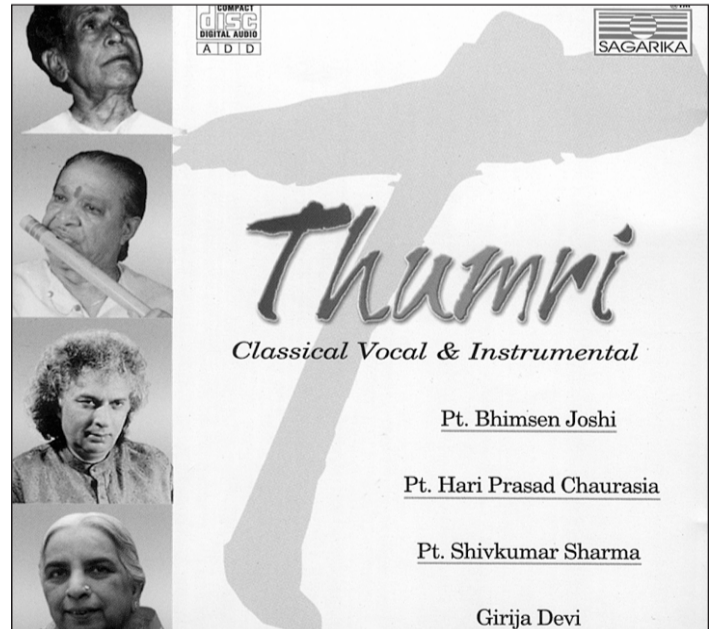
Cassettes & CDs



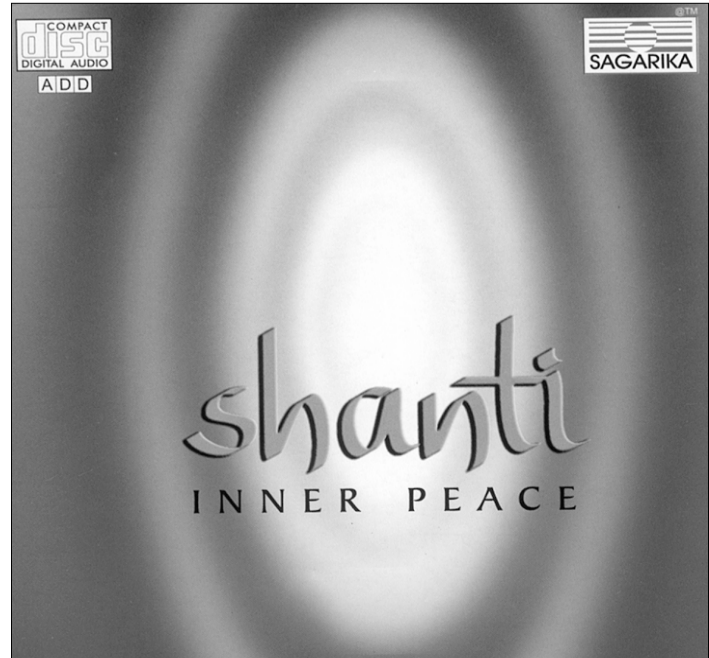
Tumi Ashley Ki Je Bhalo Lagey Modern Bengali songs by Ferdos Aara, Price: Tk. 350



Khwahish In the album Khwahish, three legends of Indian music team up to produce memorable music for music devotees of this part of the world. Price: Tk. 300

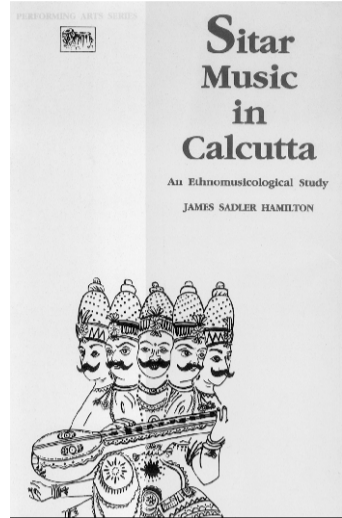


Thumri This album of classical vocal and instrumental music features four heavyweights (Pt. Bhimsen Joshi, Pt. Hari Prasad Chaurasia, Pt Shivkumar Sharma and Girija Devi) in contemporary Indian classical music.

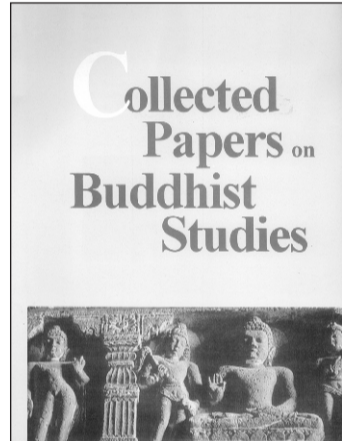


Shanti Inner peace, Price: Tk. 300 Source: Ganer Dali

New Books



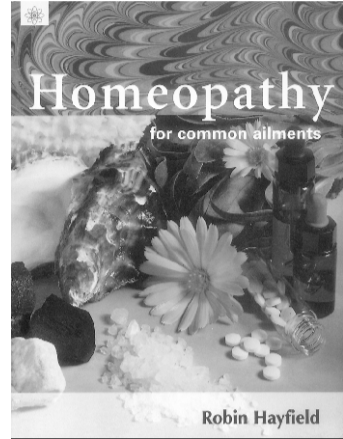
Sitar Music in Calcutta An Ethnomusicological Study James Sadler Hamilton, Price: Tk 520 The discussion of the sitar and its repertoire as well as of the background material on gharana and rag contained in this book is derived from the author's personal involvement with Indian music dating back to 1974.



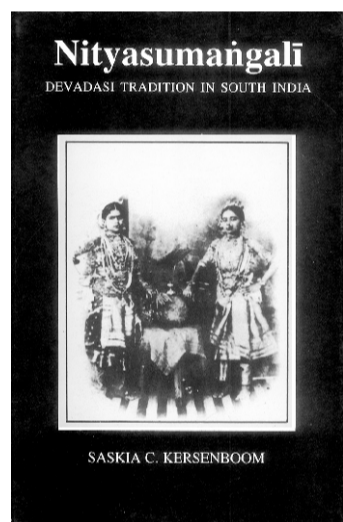
Collected Papers on Buddhist Studies Padmanabh S. Jaini, Price: Tk. 950 Professor P.S. Jaini is renowned amongst Indological scholars for his unique and enduring contributions to the areas of Buddhist and Jain studies. His reputation in the Buddhist field is based securely on his monumental edition of the important Vaibhasika text the Abhidarmadipa with its Vibhasaprabhavrtti, which was written primarily to refute the Abhidharmakosabhasya of Vasubandhu. He also has critically edited and translated the Pali apocryphal Jataka, vital evidence for the ways in which the Buddha and his previous lives have been envisaged in Southeast Asia.

Thumri Historical and Stylistic Perspectives Peter Manuel, Price: Tk. 480 This scholarly volume is the first extended European-language study of thumri, the most important and popular semi-classical genre of North Indian music. Synthesizing historical and musicological analysis with an approach rooted in cultural materialism, Peter Manuel provides a rigorous, detailed, and yet readable look at this significant musical style.

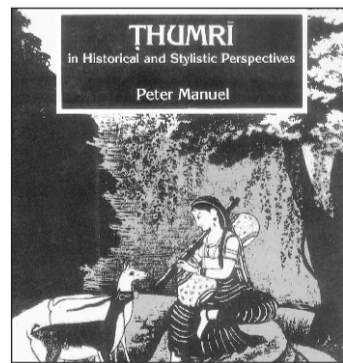
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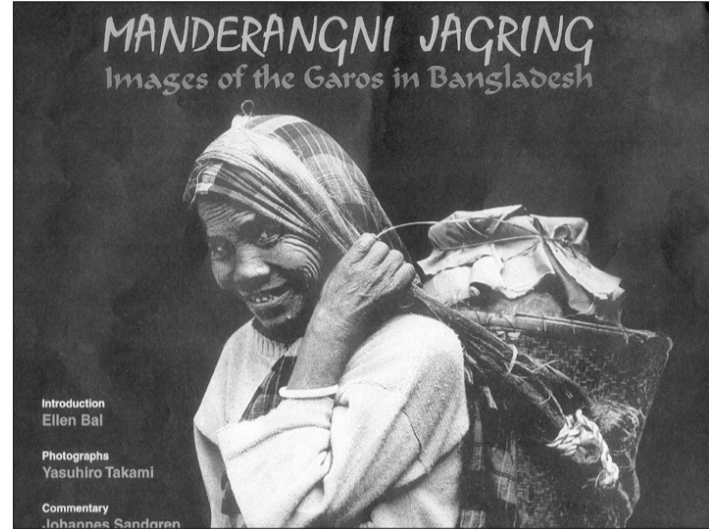
Homeopathy for Common Ailments Robin Hayfield, Price: Tk. 620 Gentle, sympathetic and safe, homeopathy is a system of healing that acts deeply to restore the whole person, making lasting cures at all levels: physical, emotional and mental. Homeopathy for Common Ailments is a practical, beautifully illustrated guide that explains and demystifies this safe and simple form of treatment. As well as offering guidance for treating children and using homeopathy for first aid, the book will help you to select and widely available homeopathic remedies to treat frequently encountered physical and mental health problems.



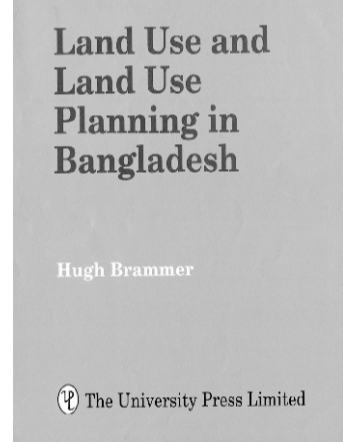
Nityasumangali Devadasi Tradition in South India Saskia C. Kersenboom, Price: Tk. 470 In this attempt the author has first investigated the concept of the devadasi as founded in the cultural history of South India, especially of Tamilnadu. Hereafter the function and form of the devadasi tradition are examined within the temple ritual of Tamilnadu.



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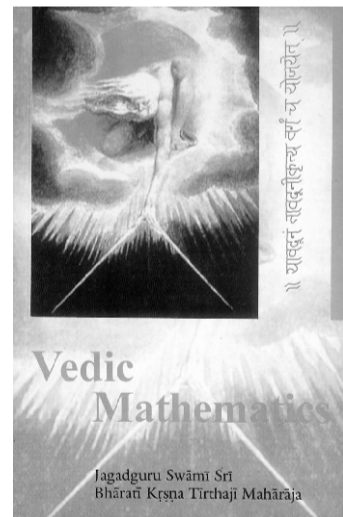


Manderangni Jagring Images of the Garos in Bangladesh Introduction: Ellen Bal, Photographs: Yasuhiro Takami, Commentary: Johannes Sandgren, Price: Tk. 500. This book introduces the Garos, a people indigenous to the hills of Meghalaya and the plains of northern Bangladesh. Through text and pictures, the book introduces the present day Garos of Bangladesh. The book also deals with the questions they are confronted with and the developments that have taken place in recent times in Garo society.

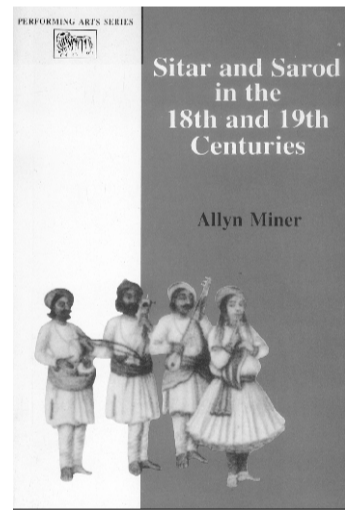


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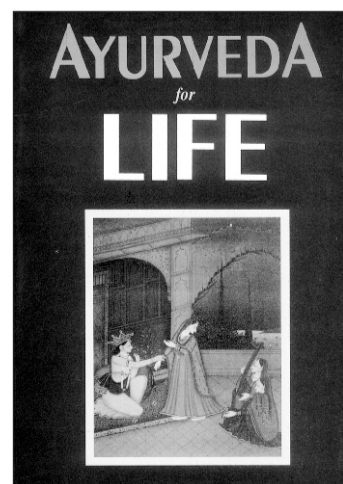
Land Use and Land Use Planning in Bangladesh Hugh Brammer, Price: Tk. 1500 In the fifth volume of his collected works, the author brings together selected papers, updated by footnotes, which provide a historical perspective on Bangladesh's dynamic land use and the evolving approaches to rural development planning in the 1970s and 1980s. Aimed particularly at agriculture, geography and soil science researchers, teachers, and students, and agricultural planning and extension officials, this book makes available material that previously had a limited circulation, provides models and benchmarks for repeating some of the studies described, and supplies training material.



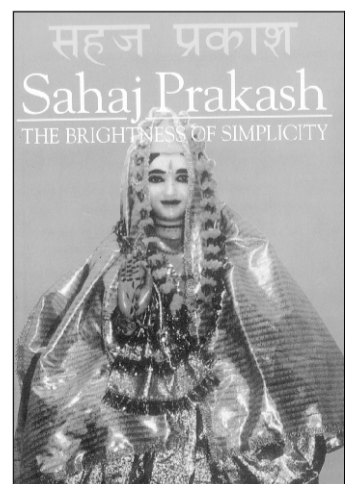
Vedic Mathematics Jagadguru Swami Sri Bharati Krsna Tirthaji Maharaja, Price: Tk. 200 This epoch-making and monumental work on Vedic mathematics unfolds a new method of approach. It relates to the truth of numbers and magnitudes equally applicable to all sciences and arts. The book brings to light how great and true knowledge is born of intuition, quite different from modern Western method. The ancient Indian method and its secret techniques are examined and shown to be capable of solving various problems of mathematics.



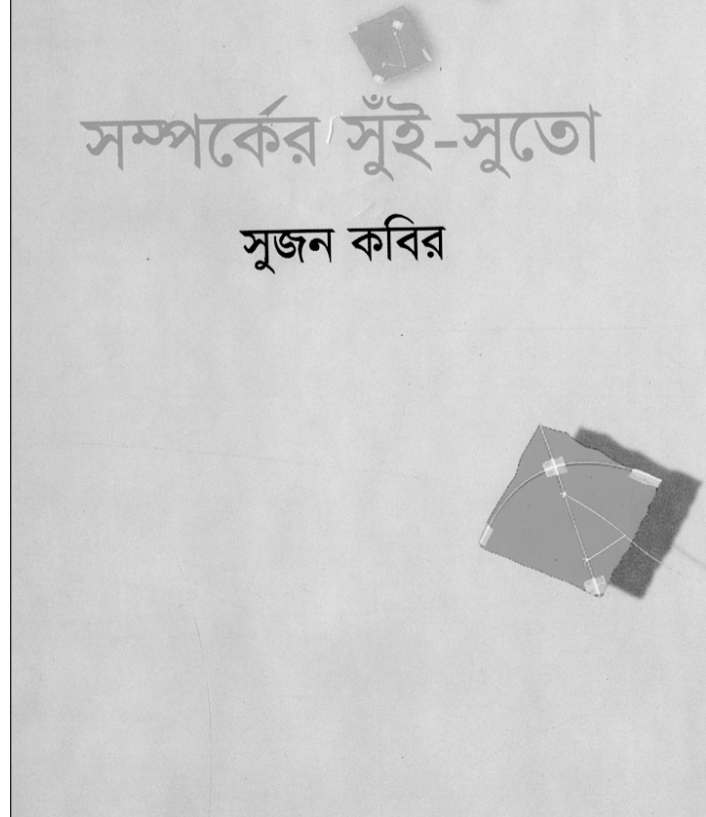
Sitar and Sarod in the 18th and 19th Centuries Allan Miner, Price: Tk. 520 The music of north India has attained its world renown largely through its two most prominent stringed instruments, the sitar and the sarod. Yet their story had until now remained hidden in the oral tradition of professional family lines, and in largely inaccessible 19-century books. This book brings together for the first time material from written, oral, and pictorial sources to trace the early history of the instruments, their innovators, and their music.



Ayurveda for Life Vinod Verma, Price: Tk. 225 Ayurveda for Life is a practical guide for using Ayurvedic concepts to nourish the body, nurturing sexuality, and balance body and mind for healing. Dr. Verma explains how the food you eat, and how to prepare it, relates to both sexual energy and healing. This book contains dynamic material; how to use spices, just-plain-good vegetarian recipes, all brought together with Dr. Verma's own balanced, professional, but vibrant voice.



Sahaj Prakash The Brightness of Simplicity Edited and translated by Harry Aveling and Sudha Joshi, Price: Tk. 450 Sahaj Prakash: The Brightness of Simplicity adds a new voice to the small number of Indian women devotional poets available in English. Born in 1725, Sahajo Bai, featured in the book, was a disciple of the great Delhi teacher, Charandas. In accordance with her name which suggests 'the essence of simplicity', a natural style and direct emotional expression mark her poetry. Its major themes are human experience, service of the guru, and the company of the holy ones.



Samperker Sui Suto Collection of short stories by Sujjan Kabir, Price: Tk. 60 At 60 pages, a slim volume by any standard, Sujjan Kabir weaves nine short (literally short) stories about human relation and its intricacies. Published by Chhyaloke

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