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### RECOMMENDATIONS

#### Concert of **Classical Music**

As part of their 'Cultural Events 2002', the Embassy of Italy in Bangladesh organises a concert of classical music titled, 'I Solisti Veneti' at 7:00 p.m. at Dhaka Sheraton Hotel.

#### Pritom's solo

May 9-15 Nurul Islam Pritom holds his first solo art exhibition at the Zainul gallery of Fine Arts Institute in the city that is open to all from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. daily.

#### Calligraphy May 4 to 15

Arifur Rahman, a calligraphy artist holds his fifth solo exhibition at the lobby of National Museum in the city. The exhibition displays around fifty works, done in Arabic and Bangla. The exhibition is open from 10:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### Japanese film session May 19-21

Rainbow Film Society has organised a three-day long Japanese Film Session, in association with Goethe-Institut. Filmshows start daily at 5:30 p.m. at the German cultural center auditorium. 'Andromedia' and 'Doubles' will be screened on May 19, 'Ekiden' and 'HIMITSU-Secret' on May 20 and 'The white collar worker' and 'KEIZOKU Unsolved cases' on May 21.

## Photography on ship breaking

R. Laarsen, a photographer from Sweden and a teacher at Pathshala Photography School, holds a solo exhibition in the city on issues of shipbreaking in Bangladesh. Through his works, Laarsen raise questions those focus on various hazardous and harmful sides of the business including matters of environmental pollution caused by the breaking process.

#### Cinema

# **Devdas makes it to Cannes**

## After Lagaan, the subcontinent aspires again

PALLAB BHATTACHARYA, New

HE Indian film industry seldom ceases to be without excitement.

Some weeks back, the industry as well as the media had been virtually swept off its feet when Aamir Kharn-starrer Hindi mega film "Lagaan" made it to the final five entries for an Oscar award for the best foreign film.

The disappointment of the film not finally getting one was not commensurate with the hoopla simply because there was a recognition, however silent, that "Lagaan" was not Oscar stuff.

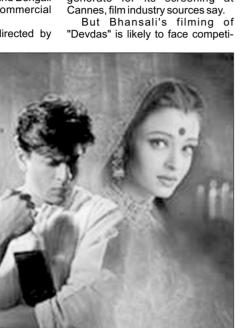
Exit "Lagaan" and the latest buzz is about yet another celluloid recreation of novelist Sarat Chandra Chattonadhava's classic work "Devdas", both in Hindi and Bengali which are set for commercial release in India in June

The Hindi version directed by

Sanjay Leela Bhansali has created more stir than the Bengali one less because it has in its cast another famous Khan of BombayShah Rukh (in the role of Devdas). Madhuri Dixit (as Chandramukhi) modelturned-actress Aishwariya Rai (as Paro) and Jackie Shroff (as Chunilal) and more because it has been chosen for screening in noncompetitive section of Cannes Film Festival beginning on May 20.

Bhansali, who already has two mega hit films like "Hum Dil De Chukey Sanam" and ""Khamoshi" to his credit, is obviously delighted by the selection of "Devdas" for the Cannes festival. "It's a great honour for me," he says. The distributors of "Devdas" in

Hindi has scheduled its release in June in a bid to capitalize on the publicity blitz that is expected to generate for its screening at Cannes, film industry sources say.



tion from the latest celluloid production of the novel in Bengali which took is slated for release in Calcutta in June. The Bengal version is directed by another leading Hindi film director Shakti Samant and stars Prasenjit (as Devdas), Tapas Pal (Chunilal), Indrani Haldar (Chandramukhi) and Arpita Paul (Paro).

Samant is not new to making films in Bengali for many would certainly remember his "Amanush" and "Ananda Ashramboth starring Uttam Kumar and Sharmila Tagore and "Anusandhan" featuring Amitabh Bachchan, Rakhi and Amiad Khan.

Samanta admits film from no other region of India can match the budget of a Hindi one but is confident his celluloid version of "Devdas" will be a box-office hit. He is apparently unfazed by the presence of Bhansali's "Devdas" in cinema halls in Calcutta around the same time

The appeal of Sarat Chandra's "Devdas" has not only transcended generations of readers cutting across ages but also film-makers in both Bombay and Calcutta. In fact. no other work of the authoror for that any other writerhas been filmed so many times.

The first screen adaptation of the novel took place during the silent era in 1928 and seven years later the first talkies version of it came from legendary director-actor Pramathesh Barua who featured in the role of "Devdas.

Director Dilip Roy recreated "Devdas" on the screen in 1979 roping in a star-studded castUttam Kumar (Chunilal), Soumitra Chatterjee (in title role), Supriya Choudhury (Chandramukhi) and Sumitra Mukhopadhaya (Paro).

The first Hindi production of "Devdas" was in 1953. Directed by Bimal Roy, it starred Dilip Kumar and Vyjantimala and Suchitra Sen for whom it was the debut in Hindi

success of the latest celluloid versions of "Devdas" in Hindi and Bengali, what is most likely to happen is a comparison of the performance of the actors and actresses figuring in them with those who had starred in the earlier films. It may not be the right thing to do but it is but

## **Exhibition**

# **Nurturing young artists**

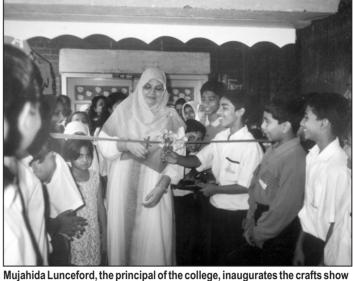
Manarat Dhaka International School and College holds its first ever art and crafts show

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UPILS of Manarat rejoiced a colourful and festive day on May 4 with their art and crafts display at the college premises by the magnificent bank of the Gulshan lake. The institution sponsored such an event for the first time. Participants, in the exhibition, included students from class I up to 'A' level. The craftsmanship and latent promise of these young amateur artisans is manifested by their ingeniously done artworks. Their skill, imagination and creative inclination, marked on a wide range of art pieces, are appreciable. "The little artists have accomplished beyond what they were expected to. We are even more inspired by the number of participants," opined some teachers' coordinating the

The young artists have prominently been found pre occupied creating art on handicrafts, useful household fancy items and finely decorated pieces

The handicrafts included cushion cover, TV cover, handkerchiefs and T-shirts decorated with needlework portraying various beautiful forms and floral motifs. Traditional motifs and rural landscape have found place on these pieces. Some other pieces to name are tablemat, wall mat and purse beautified with fine needlework An excellent variety of show-



pieces and paintings were compiled for display. The collection was rich in artistic value. Needle worked wall mat, purse and hand made beautiful Fid cards fascinated the viewers Showpieces made of nuts, painted eggshells and matchsticks created an added dimension to the display. The list of showpieces further encompassed flowers made of wax and fabric, nestling birds, and models of huts. Exquisitely designed flower vases, depicting traditional countryside and rural landscape like farmer women

pounding crops in their home yard, indicate those young artists' imagination and admiration for their own heritage. Potteries were adorned with paint and glitter. Fanciful multicoloured candles and paintings on glass, capturing floral and leafy motifs, butterfly and some other familiar objects evoked captivated the viewers. A salad arrangement of cucumber, carrots, jeweled with fine artistic curving, which belonged to the students of class VII, was really impressive

Tamanna, Maria, Mithila and

Fahmida, the students of class-V, made hand stitch purse, cushion cover, wall mat, tissue box, flower vase and pottery decorated with

Masfigur Rahman, a student of class II, had a painting on the show. His piece portrayed traditional ways of life of Bangladesh. Rahatul Amin, a student of class I, drew his piece capturing a meandering brook by a village lush-green with crops. Tamim's picture delineates three rural girls plucking flowers by a river. Samiha Tamanna captures a colourful butterfly and exhausted peasants taking nap under a tree. Another peace by Oish is a typical rural scene of village women pounding paddy in a traditional way, with thatched huts and a stake of hay at the background.

While reflecting on the event, principal of the college Mujahida Lunceford said, " When we realized that our pupils have latent talents and experience in different areas of art, we decided to hold an art and crafts show. We have just offered them a platform to bring out their creativity, talent and artistic aptitude. Their response and performance has been amazing and beyond what they were expected from. Though academic excellence is our first priority, we encourage our young gems to express their artistic



Wild Discovery

Science Mysteries

Science Frontiers

Discovery Show-

Top Of The Tops

Sunehri Nagin

Kab Tak Chup

Weekend Cinema

Naag Pooja

Rahungi

Tumhare

Ceylon Ki

Tara Tum

Prithy

Jagran

Yaadein Radio

Yoga For Life

ZEE CINEMA

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ZEE TV

Young painters framed with their paintings

12:00 Gharana

**ZEE MUSIC** 

Sizzlers

Dil Se

Music Box

Hit Pe Hit

Taaza Maal

Hit Pe Hit

Music Box

Jharokha

Compact Disc

Hit Mix

# A collection of painted pottery compiled on display

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# TV GUIDE

#### **BTV News Headlines** Desher Gaan Open University 3:45 Pustitathya 4:05 Shabar Janya Cartoon **News Headlines**

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Semanay Mukte

Bengali feature

film: Jeggasa

ATN Bangla News

Musical prog: ATN

Dance prog. : Nete

ATN Bangla

**Evening News** 

Musical prog.

prog. : ATN

Sei Ami

Computer based

Computer Projukte

Drama: Sei Tume

ATN Bangla News

Musical Prog:

film: Sukher

**BBC WORLD** 

Report

**BBC News** 

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12:00 pmBBC News

Bengali Feature

**Ghoray Dukher** 

ATN Bangla News

World Business

Asia Today/Asia

**Business Report** 

Asia Today/World

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5:00 5:10 The Sun of Good Sangeeta 5:35 Khabar 6:10 Sukhi Paribar Programme from 6:35 Chittagong Station **News Headlines** 7:05 Pran Taranga Bangla Bulletin 8:00 8:30 Drama serial **News Headlines** 9:00 9:05 Drama: Kazi Nazrul

**English Bulletin** 10:25 Legal affairs programme 11:30 Khabar/The News 11:45 Closing

# **EKUSHEY**

12:00pmEkushev Midday Deshjuré Chalchitro **Ekushey Headlines** Expedition to the Animal Kingdom Documentary programmed: Japan Video Tropic Classic Cartoons Surer Prodeep Drishti 3:00 **Ekushey Headlines** 3:05 Drama Serial 3:30 Amader Kotha 4:00 Surer Prodeep Expedition to the Animal Kingdom 5:00 Circus Circus 5:50 Aiker Potrikav 6:00 **Ekushey Headlines** Classic Cartoons 6:30 Charidike 6:55 **Ekushey Headlines** 7:00 Deho Tore 7:30 **Ekushey Shongbad Ekushey News** Kena Kata 8:30 Drama serial

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News: Simulcast

When Century Was

Ekushey Late Night

**Ekushey Business** 

**Ekushey Headlines** 

9:00

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#### **ATN** 12:30 World Business Report/Sport "Islamic Prog Today Competition prog: **BBC News** 1:00 Sapla Saluk ATN Click Online 1:30 Gold Medal Protijugita 2:30 Hardtalk ATN Bangla News 3:00 **BBC News** Reporting Prog: 3:30 Earth Report Ghotona 4:00 **BBC News** Nepathee 4:30 Asia Today/World Magazine prog **Business Report** Sutorand 5:00 **BBC News** Mega serial: Kun 5:30 Hardtalk

**HBO** 6:45am The Finishing Touch 8:30 The Hunted Mercy Buried Alive 2 12:30 2:30 The Little Rascals 4:15 Clueless 6:15 Groundhog Day

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Picking up the 8:15 **Pieces** 10:00 The Art of War

12:15amWhen Trumpets

Fade 2:15 The Hunted 4:30 Clueless STAR MOVIES 6:30am Three Days 8:30 Mighty Ducks, The

10:15 Incognito 12:00pmIntern, The 1:45 Major League 3:30 **Enemies A Love** Story 5:30 Too Smooth Powder

8:45 Thomas Crown Affair Mighty Ducks, The Queens Logic

STAR GOLD 7:00am Dil Ka Raja (Raj Kumar, leena

Chandavarkar) 10:30 Bollywood News Geet Bahar Hum Tere Ashiq Hain (Jeetendra Hema Malini. Amjad Khan)

1:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii 2:00 Bhabhi 2:30 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi 3:00pm Bollywood News 3:00 Shagun Tarana (Dilip

# TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

EKUSHEY: 7:00 p.m. Dehatari. Baul song dates back to the ancient stage of Bangalee culture. Nightlong Baul performance is a common cultural phenomenon in rural Bengal even today. Today's peisode of the programme presents a number of Baul of songs.



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Madhubala)

Geet Bahar

Mangal Masti:

Naya Din Nai Raat

(Sanjeev Kumar,

Jaya Bhaduri)

Bollywood News

Hum Saath Aath

Hit Filmein Hit

Fox Kids-Daily

Small Wonder

Meri Saheli

Hit Filmein Hit

Kora Kagaz

Sangeet

Maal Hai To Taal

Hain

Aatma

Sangeet

Hai

12:00pmShanti

Jalte Badan (Kiran

EKUSHEY: 8:30 p.m. Bishkata. An to Akkas he calls him in. But he refuses Nakib

invisible feud arises after Peter slaps Akkas when he disrupts his *Thumri* recital. Police officer Riaz becomes up and doing to investigate Shahid murder. Since Peter is affectionate

Kasautii Zindagii Kay 4:00 Kavita

4:30 Kaahin Kissii Roz 5:00 Meri Saheli Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet Small Wonder Fox Kids Daily 7:20 Aaj Ki Baat

#### Kumar, Kumkum) 7:30 Bhabhi STAR PLUS 8:00 Hum Saath Aath Star Geetmala

Hain 8:30 Kalash Kasautii Zindagii 9:00 Kav 9:30 Kamzor Kadii Kaun Kahaani Ghar 10:30 Ghar Kii 11:00 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi

12:05 Aaj Ki Baat HALL MARK The Ranger, The

Kaahin Kissii Roz

11:30

Cook and A Hole in the Sky 8:00 Sublet Live Through This 11:00 Chance of Snow 1:00 Sliders

# PICK OF THE DAY



#### The Art of War On HBO at 10:00p.m.

Westley Snipes Anne Archer Donald Sutherland At the dawn of the millennium, the UN will sign a trade treaty with China that will catapult China into the bit league. But someone is trying to sabotage the summit, and secret agent Neil Shaw (Snipes, Disappearing Acts, Blade 11) and his boss Eleanor Hooks (Archer, Rules of **Engagement) believe that Chinese UN** Ambassador Wong is behind everything. But when he is assassinated at a formal banquet, Shaw is mistaken for the assassin

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Caillou 7:00 Wild Rescues II Live Through This 7:30 Star Trek: Voyager 8:00 The Flamingo Rising Star Trek: Voyager Hearts Adrift

#### ANIMAL PLANET Wild Rescues II

Sesame Street

Scholastic Clifford

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7:00 7:30 K-9 to 5 Wild on the Set II 8:00 Planet's Funniest 8:30 Animals 9:00 Croc Files 9:30 Horse Tales 10:00 Animal Hospital 10:30 Battersea Dogs

11:00 Animal Planet Safari 12:00 Tuesday Trauma 1:30 Natural World 2:30 Shark Gordon 3:00 **Natural Neighbors** 3:30 K-9 to 5 (Season II) 4:00 Wild on the Set II

Animal Hospital

Croc Files

Animals A-Z

Supersense

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Vets on the Wild Side Tuesday Trauma World of Horses O'Shea's Big Adventure II Animal Palnet Safari

Battersea Dogs

Home

## **DISCOVERY** Monkey Business

Natural World

7:30 8:00 K-9 to 5 8:30 Wild Discovery 9:30 Travelers II 10:30 Science Mysteries 11.30 Science Frontiers Great Palaces of the World 1:00 Great Castles of Europe 1:30 Wild Discovery 2:30 Monkey Business 3:00

K-9 to 5 Going Wild With Jeff 3:30 Corwin 4:00 Mega Movie Magic 4:30 Ushuaia 5:30 Travelers II

K-9 to 5

Monkey Business

6:30

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Zee Gym & Eat Healthy 8:20 8:30 Ardhangini 8:45 Yaadein Radio Ceylon Ki Nickelodeon on Zee 9:00 9:30 Nick on Zee 10:30 Hum Paanch 11:00 Hudd Kar Di 12:00 Koshish Fk Aashaa 12:30 Kitne Kool Hair Hum 1:00 Tu Kahe Agar 1:30 Koi Apna Sa 2:00 Choti Maa Ek Anokha Bandhan 2:30 Gharana 3:00 Prem Deewane 6:00 Nick On Zee 6:30 Nickeldeon 8:00 Kitne Kool Hain Hum 8:30 Kammal 9:00 Justuioo 9:30 Niilaam Ghar Bid Bid Boom

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Kohi Apna Sa

Choti Maa... Ek

Tu Kahe Agar

Tum Pukar Lo

Anokha Bandhan

2:30 Tara Rum Pum 3:30 Hit Mix Nind Hamari Khwab 4:00 Hit Pe Hit 5:00 Compact Disc 5:30 Hit Mix 6:00 Music Plus 7:00 Just Jammin 7:30 Hit Pe Hit 8:30 Music. Com 9:30 Sizzlers 10:00 Dil Se 10:30 Jharokha 11:00 Music Box 11:30 Phoren Maa **ALPHA TV BANGLA** 7:00 7:30 8:00 8:30 9:10 9:30

#### Shayola Aalaap Bengali Spl Sur Taal Bengali Gaan Unitd

Bharat Bhraman Kichu Smriti Kichu Gaan 10:00 Saregama 11:00 Mayurakhshi Tumi Bangla 11:30 Gaan Unltd 12:00 Bhalo Bhasha 12:30 Chena Mukher Shar 1:00 Kapurush 1:30 Ek Akasher Niche 2:00 Pratibimba 2:30

Aaj Kaal Parsur Galpo 5:00 Gaan Unltd. 5:30 Football 6:00 News in Bengali 6:30 Mayurakshi Tumi Bangla 7:00 Shayola

Purobi Bangla

Patibimba

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**AXN** 6:30 Movie: Killing Time 8:30 Rollerjam 9:30 CSI 10:30 Xena When Fun Turns to Fear No Boundaries 12:30 1:30 CSI 2:30 Movie: Killing Time 4:30 Boardwild No Boundaries 5:30 Rollerjam 6:30 When Fun Turns to Fear The Agency 8:30 Ripley's Believe it or Not! 10:30 The Classic Premiere Movie The Enemy **CNBC** Asia Squawk Box 10:30 Bazaar 12:00 Your Stocks 1:30 **Business Lunch** 2:00 Dalal Street Closing Bell

**Fk Akasher Niche** 

Bishesh Sangbad

Aat Pake Bandha

Kapurush

Shayola

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Chena Mukher Shar

## India Business Hour **US Business Centre** Europe Squawk Box India Market Wrap **Business Now** Asian Wall Street Journal **Digital Revolution** US Squawk Box Markets Today India Business Hour

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