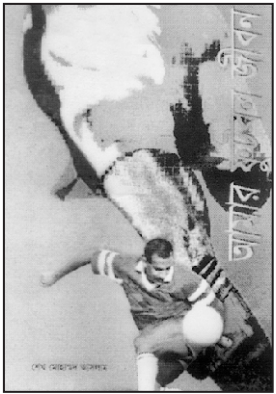


RECOMMENDATIONS



Publication ceremony
May 18
Former ace footballer Sheikh Md. Aslam has written a biographical book titled 'Amar football jibon', that gets published this afternoon at a formal ceremony to be held at the auditorium of National Sports Council. A video will follow the publication event in which Aslam will appear as a singer and a football player.

Concert of Classical Music
May 18
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.

Quamrul-er Ramonira
May 17-31
Entitled 'Quamrul-er Ramonira', a 15-day long painting exhibition of artist Quamrul Hassan will be held at the Shilpangan gallery in the city. The show is open to all from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily.

Calligraphy exhibition
May 17-June 04
A calligraphy exhibition with works of 24 renowned artists goes on at the lobby of National Museum in the city.

Group art show
May 15 to 29
The High Commission of India Cultural Centre presents a group art show featuring fifteen prominent artists from Chittagong at 754, Satmasjid Road, Dhaka. The show opens on May 15, which runs daily from 12 noon to 8 p.m.

Exhibition

Uniting for a cause

Kabyakala and Dhaka Art Circle team up to hold an art workshop and a group exhibition of reputed artists in the port city of Chittagong

AZIZ AMIRUL

KABYAKALA, a literary organization that works for the cause of poets and poetry arranged a five-day painting exhibition jointly with Dhaka Art Circle, an association formed by reputed artists of the country. Around 75 works of art made up the exhibition, held at the premises of Chittagong Club from April 21 to 25.

Fifteen senior artists, some of whom belonged to leading position in the art arena of our country, in addition to lesser known young painters, took part in the display that stirred up quite a huge amount of interest among the people of the metropolitan and adjoining regions. Of the more reputed artists, Abu Taher, Shamsul Islam Nijami, Samarjit Roy Chowdhury, Biren Shome, Pranesh Mondal, Abdus Shakoor, Chandra Shekhar Dey, Syed Enayet Hossain, Mohammad Mohsin, Rejaul Karim, Anwarul Huq, Swapan Chowdhury, Monsur Ul Karim, Rafi Haque and A.K.M. Quayyum demonstrated high standard in their works.

Earlier, an art workshop was held at Chittagong from March 15 to 19. Kabyakala was pleased to team up with Dhaka Art Circle in organising the workshop that was participated 25 painters including 8 reputed artists of the country. Dhaka Art Circle President, Abu Taher himself was one of them.

"The idea of organising a art exhibition outside the capital involving a large number of artists, was first introduced in my mind by reputed artist, Abu Taher, who is the President of Dhaka Art Circle and also a close friend of mine", mentioned Shahed Rahman, President of Kabyakala. As said by Shahed Rahman, Abu Taher advised him of forming a fund for rehabilitation of needy artists and poets of the country and to donate sales' proceedings from the displayed works, if any, to the fund.



'Rural image' by Abu Taher

With this joint inspiration from the two literary personalities, the art exhibition was organised at the Chittagong Club premises.

The displayed art works of the Chittagong exhibition mostly contained themes of nature and woman of Bangladesh. Use of bright shades could be observed in many of the works where yellow, gold, red and bright green came up, repeatedly.

A work by Chandra Shekhar Dey titled, 'Green sun' presented a virtual reality upon canvas where the viewer could find oneself

amidst a green and bluish shaded paddy field with newly sewn plants. Red patches of mud symbolised footmarks of the hard working farmer who had to spend enormous energy and time behind the project of his cultivation with a hope of returning home with a handsome amount during the harvesting season.

Pranesh Mondal's 'Lilies', done in oil, reflected the simple nature of village woman and young girls, who after a hard working day at the back yards, returned home in the evening with a handful of lotus



'Storks and fishes' by Shamsul Islam Nijami



A painting by poet Shahed Rahman

from a nearby pond or beel. Here the artist was successful in depicting the rural lifestyle of Bengal. He painted girls who wore only a thin piece of sari with no blouse.

'Rural Image', a work of Abu Taher was another splendid piece of exhibit that projected a bright and lively image, in abstraction, of the natural beauties of Bengal where green, red and yellow spoke of Mother Nature.

Shamsul Islam Nijami, an elderly painter presented works including one titled, 'Storks and Fishes' that brought before the

viewer, a flock of white storks fishing on the banks of a pond while a school of fish swam underneath. Storks, being a symbol of the rural nature of Bengal, added special flavour to the artistic creation of Nijami where he composed the work in a shade of drab bluish green. Some red outer linings on the body edges of the long-legged birds provide a touch of liveliness amidst an otherwise dull background.

In contrast to the painting of storks, 'Spring', done in oil by Samarjit Roy Chowdhury, features



'Lilies' by Pranesh Mandal

a canvas that is splashed with deep, striking colours, taken from the seasonal palette of Spring, probably, the best of the six Bangla seasons. Blue is there to represent the sky, red for the warmth of the season while shades of yellow with specks of white and black have been used by the artist to symbolise a blooming nature that is full of new life. The colour of black represented nor'westers that lashed over towns and villages in a bid to make everything clean and fresh.

Other works of the exhibition also had similar themes like the

one, 'Chattala' by Syed Enayet Hossain or 'Nature' by A.K.M. Quayyum, both of which contained elements of the green nature, flora and fauna of Bangladesh.

'This is our maiden venture in the field of social service. With the cooperation of all, we hope to inseminate something worthwhile and tangible to come out in future', said artist Abu Taher, one of the co-hosts of the exhibition.



'Nature' by A.K.M. Quayyum

TV GUIDE

BTV

3:10	News headline
3:00	Opening
3:15	Patriotic songs
3:20	Health related program
3:45	Kheladhula
4:00	News
4:05	National League Football
5:00	News headline
6:00	News
6:10	National League Football
7:00	News headline
8:00	News
8:30	Drama
9:00	News headline
10:00	News at ten
10:25	Ajker Arthaniti
10:30	Drama series
11:30	News (Bangla/English)
11:45	Closing
EKUSHEY	
12:00	Ekushey Headlines
12:05	Ajker Potrikay
12:20	Mukto Khobor
12:50	Bolte Chai
1:00	Ekushey Headlines
1:05	Bolte Chai
1:20	Classic Cartoons
2:00	Toyota World of Wildlife
2:30	Ei Shoptaho
3:00	Ekushey Headlines
3:05	Jatra Pala
5:30	Gillette FIFA World Cup 2002
6:00	Ekushey Headlines
6:05	Serial: Alif Laila
6:55	Ekushey Headlines
7:00	Shoptaho Ghura
	Deshjure
7:30	Ekushey News
8:00	Ekushey News (English)
8:05	Bangla Film : Tazzo Putro
10:00	News: Simulcast from BTV
10:30	Bangla Film : Tazzo Putro
11:00	Ekushey Late Night Shongbad

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

6:30	Toyota World of Wildlife : Episode 37
7:00	Animal Eden : Between the Desert and the Deep : Episode 1
7:30	Science Of Sport : Science Of Cricket
8:30	Endangered : Wolverine and Oil
9:00	Human Edge : Episode 2
9:30	National Geographic Explorer : Episode 36
10:30	Earth Report : Mount Kenya : Episode 10
11:00	EarthPulse Presented by Ford's Heroes for the Planet : Episode 22
11:30	Chasing Time : San Francisco
12:00	Cairo Unveiled
12:30	Nat Geo Genius : Episode 10
1:00	Human Edge : Episode 22
1:30	In The Footsteps Of Crusoe
2:00	Demolition Divers
2:30	In Japan : Japan Traditions
3:00	In Japan : Birds People of Japan
3:30	In Japan : Kendo's Gruellling Challenge
4:30	In Japan : Kofum, Little Rich Beauty
5:30	War Ships : War Ships : Episode 1
6:30	Nat Geo Genius : Episode 12
7:00	Human Edge : Episode 3
7:30	Hitchhiking Vietnam
8:30	Free Diving : Yasemin Dalklic - World's Deepest

Woman

9:30	Free Diving : The Deeper Blue : A Freediver's Story
10:30	Free Diving : Artists of the Extreme
11:30	National Geographic Classics : Episode 3
12:30	Free Diving : Yasemin Dalklic - World's Deepest
1:30	Free Diving : The Deeper Blue : A Freediver's Story

BBC WORLD

6:00	BBC News
6:30	World Business Report
7:00	BBC News
7:30	Asia Today/World Business Report
8:00	BBC News
8:30	Asia Today/World Business Report
9:00	BBC News
9:30	Asia Today/World Business Report
10:00	BBC News
10:30	Talking Movies
11:00	BBC News
11:30	Simpson
12:00	BBC News
12:30	Click Online
1:00	BBC News
1:30	Correspondent
2:00	BBC News
2:30	The Rat Pack/The Future Just Happened/The Human Body
3:00	BBC News
3:30	La Stories
	Voyager : Hemingway
4:00	BBC News
4:30	The Car's The Star/Top Gear
5:00	BBC News
5:30	This Week
HBO	
6:30	Nicholas and Alexandra

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS



STAR MOVIES: 7:00 p.m. **Big Momma's House.** FBI agent Malcolm Turner is tough, smart, and a master of disguise. Malcolm's latest assignment brings him to a small southern town, where he's determined to trap a brutal bank robber. But to do that Malcolm has to turn himself completely into Big Momma.



AXN: 9:30 p.m. **Predator.** A team of commandos, led by Dutch Schaeffer, go on a mission to rescue captured airmen from terrorists. When they discover that the airmen have been slaughtered beyond recognition, the team decimates the enemy encampment. Before they can radio for a lift-off, an invisible being begins to kill the team members.



STAR WORLD: 9:30 p.m. **Baywatch.** No matter what kind of kick you want to get out of *Baywatch Hawaii*, there's no denying that there ain't a better-looking weekend series anywhere. Mitch, Sean, Jason, JD, Kekoa, Allie and a whole series of great co-stars make each adventure very easy on the eye. In tonight's episode, Jason returns to a beach where lifeguards have lost their lives, and fights the memories that haunt him.

10:15	ED
12:15	Stormcatcher
2:15	Casper
4:15	Dance with Me
6:45	Balto
8:15	The Little Rascals
10:00	Striptease
12:15	The Hunted
2:30	Casper
4:30	New Jersey Drive
6:15	Imaginary Crimes
8:00	Beach, the
10:00	Keeping the Faith
12:15	Space Marines
1:45	Turbulence 3
3:30	Rough Air
5:00	Being John Malkovich
7:00	Big Mommas House
8:45	Billy Bathgate
10:30	Beach, the
12:30	Powder

STAR PLUS	
7:30	Chupa Rustam
8:00	Aatma
9:00	Hit Filmlein Hit Sangeet
9:30	Fox Kids
10:30	Family Fortunes
11:00	AmulBest of Surabhi
11:30	Chalti Ka Naam Antakshairi
12:30	Eena Meena Deeka
1:00	Tu Tu Main Main
1:30	Indiatimes

	Ashok Kumar, Dharmendra)
3:00	Bollywood News
3:30	Khuddar (Govinda, Karisma)
7:00	Geet Bahar
7:30	Saturday Special : Star -Thriller Special Aitbazz (Raj Babbar, Dimple Kapadia)
11:00	Rajehin Na Rahein Hum
11:30	Mammo (Farida Jalai, Surekha Sikri)

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PICK OF THE DAY



Striptease
On HBO at 10:00 pm
If the story of a strong-willed woman named Erin, who doesn't mind baring a little skin to win a court case sounds a lot like Erin Brockovich, think again. This Erin's baring a lot of skin, and she's doing it to win a custody battle for her daughter against her ex-con husband. Cash poor after she gets the boot from her comfy desk job as a secretary for the FBI, she hits the strip clubs to earn her keep to pay legal expenses.

	Presents Coke [V] Popstars
2:00	Hit Filmlein Hit Sangeet
2:30	Kashmakash
3:00	Kundali
3:30	Tea Time Cinema : Preet Ki Dori (Tanuja, Ajay Sahami)
6:30	Fox Kids
7:30	Bol Baby Bol
8:00	The Price Is Right
8:30	Star Superhit : Khuff (Sanjay Dutt, Manisha Moirala)
11:30	Aaj Ki Baat
12:05	Khauff (contd).

AXN	
6:30	Core Culture
7:30	Shadow Skill
8:30	Space Warship
9:30	Lifestyle Rollerjam
10:30	Core Culture
11:30	Reality Blast! Who Dares Wins II
12:30	Ripley's Believe It or Not!
1:30	Rated X/Motorworld
2:30	Movie: Conan the Barbarian

4:30	Gubbare
5:30	Top of the Tops
6:30	Nickelodeon On Zee
7:00	Nick on Zee
8:00	Nilaam Ghar Bid Bid Boom
8:30	Chachi 420
11:30	Tum Pukar Lo
ALPHA TV BANGLA	
6:00	Moyurakshi Tumi Bangla
6:30	Mon Niye
7:00	Shayola
7:30	Aalaap Bengali Spl
8:00	Bishesh Sangbad Data
8:30	Gaan Unltd. (Bengali)
9:05	Bharat Bhraman
9:30	Bhalo Bhasha
10:00	Abhinetri
10:30	Encounter
11:00	Moyurakshi Tumi Bangla
11:30	Saregama
12:30	Chena Mukher Shari

1:00	Kono Ek Din
1:30	Ek Akasher Niche
2:00	Pratibimba
2:45	Bengali Feature Film
5:00	Jhara Samayer Upakatha
5:30	Bichitra
6:00	News In Bengali
6:30	Bhalobasa Mandobasa
7:00	Aatpake Bandhe
7:30	Sur Taal Bengali
8:00	Shudhu Tomake Chai
8:30	Saregama
9:55	Sat Kahan
10:25	Abisasya
11:00	News in Bengali
11:30	Choto Chutir Phanke
12:00	Encounter
ZEE MUSIC	
6:30	Hit Pit Hit
7:30	Sizzlers
8:00	Music Box
8:30	Compact Disc

9:00	Dil Se
10:00	Hit Mix
11:00	Taaza Maal
12:00	Dil Se
12:30	Hit Pi Hit
1:30	Music Box
2:00	Jharonakha
2:30	Tara Rum Pum
3:30	Hit Mix
4:00	Hit Pe Hit
5:00	Just Jammin
5:30	Hit Mix
6:00	Music Plus
7:00	Dil Se
7:30	Hit Pe Hit
8:30	Music Com
9:30	Sizzlers
10:00	Dialogue
10:30	Jharokha
11:00	Music Box
11:30	Phoren Maal

ZEE CINEMA	
7:00	Tara Rum
7:30	Tarzan Aur Jadugar
10:30	Alibaba Marjina
1:30	Arti
5:15	Ikke Pe Ikka
6:00	Safari
9:15	Yaadein Radio Ceylon Ki
9:30	Weekend Cinema
10:00	Gaddar
1:15	Yaadein Radio Ceylon Ki
SETMAX	
7:30	Mini Movies : Bhakti Mein Shakti
8:30	Biographies
9:00	Hotlist
9:30	Gair Kaanooni
1:00	Biographies
1:30	Bewafa
5:00	One Two 123
5:30	Biwi O Biwi
9:00	Hotlist
9:30	Hamraaz
1:30	Raat Aur Din
4:30	Inspector Eagle

ANIMAL PLANET	
7:00am	Zookeepers
7:30	Battersea Dogs Home
8:00	Animal Doctor
8:30	The New Adven-

9:00	Rolf's Amazing World Animals
9:30	Animals A-Z
10:00	Champions of the Wild Grizzlies
10:30	Monkey Business
11:00	Animal Doctor
11:30	O'Shea's Big Adventure
12:00	Saturday Superstars
1:30	Animal Planet Safari
2:30	Vets in Practice
3:00	Zookeepers
3:30	Horse Tales
4:00	Animals Hospital
4:30	Crock Files
5:00	Wild Rescues
5:30	Nature World
6:30	Planet's Funniest
7:00	Battersea Dogs Home
8:00	Saturday Superstars
9:30	Postcards from the Wild
10:00	Wild on the Set
10:30	Crocodile Hunter
11:30	Animal Planet Safari

DISCOVERY	
6:30	Assignment
7:30	Discovery Award Winners
8:30	War Zone
9:30	Lonely Planet
10:30	Back Staghorn's Animal Bites
11:00	Born Winners
11:30	Real Kit
12:00	Going Wild With Jeff Corwin
12:30	I Love My Music
1:30	Let's Dance & Eat
1:30	Africa's Great Rivers
2:00	Uncharted Africa
2:30	Shark Files
3:30	Discovery Sunday
6:30	On the Inside
7:30	Wings
8:30	Gulistan
9:30	Lonely Planet
10:30	Discovery Award