# CULTURE

## RECOMMENDATIONS

#### 'Essence of Life' May 24 - 30

Four artists from Bangladesh, India and America holds a joint painting exhibition titled 'Jibon Rasa' or 'Essence of life' using natural colours as ingredients of paint. The exhibition is open daily from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., at Essentials, House 30, Road 42, Gulshan #2.

#### Quamrul-er Ramonira

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

#### **Calligraphy** exhibition

to 8 p.m. daily.

May 17 - June 04 A calligraphy exhibition with the works of 24 renowned artists goes on at the lobby of National Museum all daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m

## Group art show

May 15-29 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 will run daily from 12 noon to 8 p.m.

#### Photography on ship breaking

May 18-29 R. Laarsen, a photographer from Sweden and a teacher at Pathshala Photography School, holds a solo exhibition in the city on issues of ship-breaking 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. The exhibition is going on at the

#### daily from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Painting show

May 17-24 An exhibition of works of the country's old and young artists opened on May 17 at Gallery 21 (765, Satmasjid Road, Dhanmondi). The show remains open from 3 p.m.

#### Boutique exhibition

May 20 - 26 Ali's knitwear holds a boutique show along with display of fancy candles, at Ariel center in the city. The show is open daily from 11:00 a.m. to 9 p.m.

## TV serial

## Hitting a new record

Drama serial 'Joar Bhata' celebrates the completion of its 150th episode at a city hotel



Actor Humayun Faridi gives a high opinion on 'Joar Bhata

ELECAST live on Channel i, a dazzling and colourful cultural show titled 'Dersho periye, shimana chhariya' brought in several hundred celebrities and cultural personalities at the Winter Garden Ballroom of Sheraton Hotel in the city on May 21. The show was organised to celebrate the completion of 150th episode of the popular TV drama serial, 'Joar Bhata' on

This is the first time in our entertainment history that a drama serial

on a TV channel reached its 150th episode. The ceremonious event was jointly sponsored by Electra International of Samsung Group and Channel i. The drama serial started on October 1 in 2000 running four days a week from Tuesday to Friday on the channel.

Glamour and music reigned over the show with the presence of star celebrities like Bulbul Ahmed. Humavun Faridi. Ferdous, Azizul Hakin, Shomi Kaiser, Afzal Hossain. Jamaluddin Hossain, Rowshan Ara Hossain, Ramendu and Ferdousi Mazumdar, Shahiduzzaman Selim,



Tarin and Shameem Zaman act out a skid

Mita Noor, Trapa Mazumdar, Sohel Arman and Tarin, among others. Popular best-selling author Imdadul Haq Milon was a key attraction of the star-studded evening. Bapi Shahriyar, a well-known face of the local channels, anchored the

A special highlight of the evening was a number of brief performances of scenes by actors and actresses of the drama. Abdul Quader, a celebrated comedian performer of the country, who has an important role of 'Mama' in Joar Bhata, acted out a comic scene that provided humour

to the audience and added a refreshing flavour in the proceedings. The skids were performed, among others, by Tarin, Shameem Zaman, Shahiduzzaman Selim, Ferdousi Mazumdar and Trapa, all of who are regular performers of the popular drama serial that features a total of 160 performers.

Earlier at the opening of the event, noted dramatist and performer Abdullah Al Mamoon, the writer and director of Joar Bhata, spoke about his interest and knowledge on soap-operas of the western

Actress Shomi Kaiser gives her opinion on 'Joar Bhata Faridur Reza Sagor, Managing Director of the drama production house, Impress Telefilms, and Shaiykh Siraj of Channel I also spoke on the occasion

A song rendered by eminent singer Tapan Chowdhury, from his recent album, increased the tempo of the ceremony. Samina Chowdhury captivated the audience with her hit number 'Kobita pora-r prohor eshecchey raat-er nirjonev/ionaki-r alo nivey aar joley shaal mohuyaar bonaey ... ey ...', a song that has almost become a symbol of teenage passion in the country. Samina's performance rejuvenated the audience.

Television, film and literary personalities including Humayun Faridi, Shomi Kaiser, Azizul Hakim, Imdadul Haq Milon and others gave their comments and personal opinions on the arrangement of the memorable event. Asked on her choice of accepting or rejecting any role of the drama, had it been offered to Shomi, the popular actress of television drama replied on a positive note. Shomi Kaiser said that she would have certainly acted in the film had she been selected and provided she knew in advance about the present popularity of 'Joar Bhata'.

A crest of honour was handed over to the chairman of Electra International, the main sponsor of

The graceful ceremony came to a befitting end at 9 pm with a group presentation by the members of a jovial family of 'Joar Bhata', and with a desire to continue for long



Filmstar Ferdous interacts with Shaiykh Siraj



Samina Chowdhury enchants all through her song 'Kobita pora-r shomoy eshecchey ...'

PICK OF THE DAY

**Bloodfist V: Human Target** 

Don 'The Dragon' Wilson wakes up with amnesia

and a load of cash, and he knows not how it got

there. Then he gets many visitors, well-wishers

who wish him dead. Now he has the duration of

On HBO at 10:00 p.m.



11:30 Phonren Maal

6:30 Half Chocolate

8:00

8:30

9:05

10:30

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12:00

12:30

1:00

1:30

2:00

2:15

Mavurakshi

TumiBangla

Shayaola

Mon Niye

Gaan Unitd

**Bharat Bhramar** 

Anya Bhuvan

Bhowanipurer

Chatujjera

Bhalobasa

Mandobasa

Mayurakshi

TumiBangla

Gaan Unltd

Uapakatha

Kono Ek Din

Pratibimbo

Chena Mukher Sha

Ek Akasher Niche

Bengali Feature

Aalaap Bengali Spl

**ALPHA TV** 

TV performer Mita Noor joins the star guests at the gala event

## Tv GuidE

#### **EKUSHEY**

2:00pm Ekushev Headlines Potrikay Weekend E Shoptaher Bishsho **Ekushey Headlines** 3:05 Bangla Film 5:30 Gillette Sports

**Ekushey Headlines** 6:05 WWF Smackdown 6:55 **Ekushey Headlines** Mukto Khobor 7:00

**Ekushey Shongbad** 8:00 **Ekushey News** 8:05 Anondo

8:30 **Ekushey Live** 9:00 Shukrobarer Natok Otiquromon News : Simulcast from BTV

Surma Parer Gaar 11:00 Ekushey Late Night 11:30 Ei Shoptaho

12:00 **Ekushey Headlines** ATN

Morning Program 05:30 "Islamic Prog 07:00 Sundor jeebaner

Cine Magazine 08:00 ATN Bangla News 08:25 Agomony 09:00 Ghotok

09:35 Samokalin Prosongo 10:10 Prekkha Pot 11:30 Islamic Prog 12:00 ATN Bangla News

03:30 Evening Program 06:07 Cholo Gan Ga 06:45 Motamot

ATN Bangla Evening News Musical Prog 07:35 08:10 Meril Tumar Janne

08:45 Jony Hit Super Hit 09:20 Abashese

ATN Bangla News

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10:00

8:30 Marine Location 9:00 Documentary Joto pod toto pod Music Plus 10:00

**CHANNEL-i** 

11:45 Housefull 12:15 Pre-world cup program 12:30 Drama serial: Naksha

1:00 Drama serial: Joar bhata Marine location 2:00 Sotyar shondhaney Double Mazaa

2:30 Evening Opening 5:00 5:10 Documentary 5:40 Baro mash-er 6:10 Music Plus

6:50 Kothay kothay 7:15 Channel I news 7:50 Pre-world cup program 8:00 Drama: Atotav Drama serial: Joai bhata

8:30 8:55 Ispahani I telequiz Channel I news 9:00 9:35 Channel I mobile quiz 2525 Shongbadpotrey Bangladesh 10:00 Raven 10:25 Ispahani I teleguiz Channel I news 10:30

11:20 Baro mash-er 12:40 Bangla feature film **HBO** 6:30AM Rattled 8:15 Hard Target

10:15 The Whole Nine Yards 12:15 Psycho 2:15 Casper Westlife Live Where Dreams Come True Psycho III

When Trumpets Bloodfist V: **Human Target** 

11:45 Jade Psycho III Calendar Girl

**BBC WORLD** 6:00am BBC News

World Business Report **BBC News** Asia Today/Asia **Business Report BBC News** 8:00 8:30 Asia Today/World **Business Report** 

**BBC News** Asia Today/Asia **Business Report** 10:00 **BBC News** World Business Report

**BBC News** World Business Report 12:00pm BBC News World Business Report/Sport Today **BBC News** 1:00 **Talking Movies** 1:30 **BBC News** 2:30 Hardtalk 3:00 **BBC News** 

Money Prog/Panorama **BBC News** 4:30 Asia Today/World **Business Report** 5:00 **BBC News** Hardtalk STAR MOVIES Space Marines Too Smooth

Big Mommas 10:15 House 12:00 Billy Bathgate 1:45 Powder

7:00

8:30

(Sanjay Dutt) STAR PLUS Tom Sawyer Star Geetmala Getting it Right 7:30 Hum Saath Aath **Blood Surf** Hain High Fidelity 8:00 Aatma

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

EKUSHEY: 9:00 p.m. Otikromon As the plot unfolds, developments show a neuro-surgeon who is hiding away from the society after an unfortunate occurance at the Operation table of his hospital where his daughter died. Parul, a graduate of Rajshahi University discovers the doctor in his hide-out in a bungalow. The girl's father, Rashid, is a village quack who treats people but mostly prescribes harmless medicines. The fugitive neoro-surgeon meets Rashid and tells him everything. Rashid and Parul now try to bring back confidence in the mind of the doctor who is



10:30 Too Smooth

Blaze

STAR GOLD

7:00am Amanush (Uttam

Tagore)

Geet Bahar

Sadique)

Leena

Shatru (Rajesh

Khanna, Shabana

Bollywood News

Bidaai (Jeetendra,

Chandavarkar)

Geet Bahar

Shaandaar

Kartavya

Rekha)

(Dharmendra,

Bollywood News

Himalaya Super

Action Filmein

Jaan Ki Baazi

Kumar, Sharmila

Bollywood News

12:30

10:30

11:00

3:30

7:00

STAR MOVIES: 7:00 p.m. Blood Surf. A film crew travels to Australia to film the newest and deadliest "extreme" sport in the world: blood surfing. Surfers dump chum in the water and even slash their ankles to draw sharks, just to see if they can out-surf them. But the filmmakers and surfers guickly discover it's not the sharks they have to worry about, it's the monsterous saltwater crocodile with an appetite for human flesh and penchant for stalking the blood surfing crew

9:00

this high-action flick to find out who he is, who they are, the what's, whys, when's and how's and how's before he doesn't wake up for good. Guess he's just gonna have to punch and kick remembers who to fight. Hit Filmein Hit Dhuum 9:30

Sangeet 9:30 Fox Kids Daily Small Wonder 10:30 11:00 Maal Hai To Taa Hai Meri Saheli 11:30 12:00 Shanti 12:30 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet Kora Kagaz Eena Meena

1:00 Deeka Ajeeb Dastaar Star Bestseller Vikrut 3:30 Kashmakash 4:00 Wajood A Mini Series 4:30 Kalash 5:00 Meri Saheli Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet Small Wonder 6:30 Fox Kids 7:10 Aaj Ki Baat

Indiatimes Presents Coke [v] **Popstars** Hum Saath Aath Kya Masti Kya

Khullia Sim Sim Ssshhh... Koi Hai 11:30 Kahani Jurm Ki 12:05 Aai Ki Baat STAR WORLD 6:00am Family Ties 3rd Rock From The Sun

The Oprah Winfrey MacGyver Ufo's The Best Evidence Ever Angel The Oprah Winfrey Show Martial Law Caroline In The City The Bold & The Beautiful Hollywood Squares Family Ties Baywatch The Simpsons

10:00 11:00 12:00 1:00 2:00 3:00 4:30 3rd Rock From The Star News Asia Friends 6:00 Worlds Wildest Police Videos 6:55 Asianews Update

his way down memory lane. Let's just hope he Nash Bridges 7:00 8:00 Bugs 9:00 Friends Worlds Wildest 9:30 Police Videos 10:30 Nash Bridges 11:30 Bugs

AXN6:30 Movie: Standoff Rated/Motorworld 8:30 Queen of Swords Xena The Amazing 12:30 Guinness World Records 1:30 Relic Hunter 2:30 Movie: The Enemy 4:30 Boardwild Guinness World Records 6:30 Core Culture The Amazing Race 7:30

> 8:30 Queen of Swords Scariest Places On Horror Movie: The Changeling

6:30

Yaadon Ke Pal

Bhakti Bhav

Yoga For Life 7:20 Jagran 7:50 Zee Gym & Eat Healthy 8:20 News

Yaadein Radio

Ceyion Ki 9:00 Nickelodeon 9:30 Nickelodeon on Zee 10:30 **Hum Paanch** 11:00 Hudd Kar Di 12:00 Amanat 12:30 Evergreen Moments of Antakshari 1:30 Sansaar

8:45

2:30 Gharana 3:00 Zameen Aasmar 6:30 Nickeldeon On Zee Nickelodeon 8:00 Apna Apna Style 8:30 Jai Santoshi Maa 9:00 Saaniihi

9:30 Jeena Isi Ka Naam Sa Re Ga Ma Pa 10:30 11:30 Tum Pukar Lo 12:00 Gharana **ZEE MUSIC** 

6:30 Hit Pit Hip 7:30 Sizzlers 8:00 Music Box 8:30 Dil Se 9:00 Sizzlers 9:30 Hit Pit Hit 10:30 11:00 Music Plus 12:00 Dialogue 12:30 Hit Pit Hit 1:30 Music Box 2:00 Jharokha 2:30 Tara Rum Pum

3:30 Hit mix 4:00 Hit Pit Hit 5:00 Dialogue 5:30 Hit mix 6:00 Music Plus 7:00 Compact Dise 7:30 Hit Pe Hit 8:30 Taaza Maal 9:30 Sizzlers

Dil Se

Jharokha

Music Box

10:00

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11:00

5:00 Gaan Unitd 5:30 Football News in Bengali Mayurakshi 6:30 TumiBangla Shayaola 7:30 Monniye 8:00 Pratibimba 8:30 Ek Akasher Niche Chena Mukh Shari 9:10 Kono Fk Din 9:55 10:25 Encounter 11:00 News in Bengali Chena Mukhachena 11:30 Manush 12:00 Shyaola ZEE CINEMA Tara Rum 7:30 Jeene Do 10:30 Jaanwar 1:30 Barsaat 5:15 Making of A Legend 6:00 Jurm 9:15 Cine News 9:30 Ikke Pe Ikka 10:00 Aaj ka Arjun ANIMAL

**PLANET** Wild Rescue Animal X 8:00 Twisted Tales 8:30 Planet's Funniest Croc Files 2 9:30 Breed All About It Animal Hospital: On the Hoof Battersea Dogs

Home Animal Planet Safari Weird N Wonderful Friday 1:30 Nature by Design Lifesense

**Animal Doctor** O'Shea's Big Adventure Jhara Samayei 3:30 Animal X

4:00 Twisted Tales 4:30 Animal Hospital Croc Files 2 5:30 Animal A-Z Fit for the Wild 6:00

Battersea Dogs Home Wild Rescue 7:00 7:30 **Animal Doctor** Weird N Wonderfu Friday

Wild on the Set 9:30 Wildlife Emergency Animal Planet Safari Killing for a Living

**DISCOVERY** Crocodile Hunter Wild Discovery

9:30 Travelers Friday Showcase 12:30 Girl Meets Hawaii 1:00 Romantic Escapes 1:30 Wild Discovery 2:30 Crocodile Hunter 3:30 Truth or Scare 4:00

Let's Dance & Eat Journeys to the Ends of the Earth 5:30 Travelers 6:30 7:00 Wild Discovery 8:30 10:30

Crocodile Hunter Friday Showcase War Zone Secrets Europe's Queens