

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.

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 Shipangan gallery in the city.

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

Twelve young artists' show
May 26-June 4
A contemporary painting exhibition of 12 young artists of Bangladesh is on at the gallery of Russian Cultural center in the city.

Bangla songs of 21st century
May 31
Various cultural events and discussions will take place at the main auditorium of National Museum in the city from 3 p.m. onwards, in commemoration of the completion of the first decade of Nibedan, an organisation of traditional Bangla music.

Female artists' group show
May 24-June 02
A group art exhibition of 25 female artists of the country is on at Gallery Chitrak in the city.

Solo photography exhibition
June 1-3
Photojournalist Pranab Roy holds a solo of his works on nature at Pouro Pathagar in Narayanganj.

Made in Australia
June 1-7
Shahabuddin Mohammad, an artist of the country, presently based in Australia, holds his second solo exhibition at Zainul Gallery of Fine Arts Institute in the city.

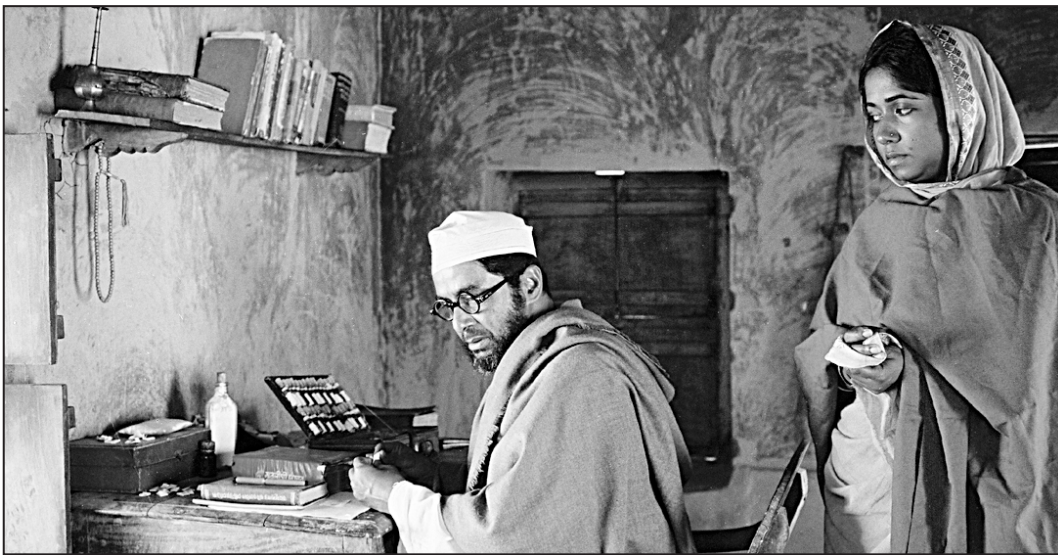
Cinema

Bangladesh at Cannes

Matir Moina or The Clay Bird, a film by Tareque Masud, wins critics heart with the International Critics' Prize

PETER BRADSHAW

THIS charming, gentle film, showing in the Director's Fortnight at Cannes, is one of the real finds of the festival. It is about the experience of childhood, but draws upon unexpected reserves of drama and emotional disquiet to shed light on the world of adults, too.

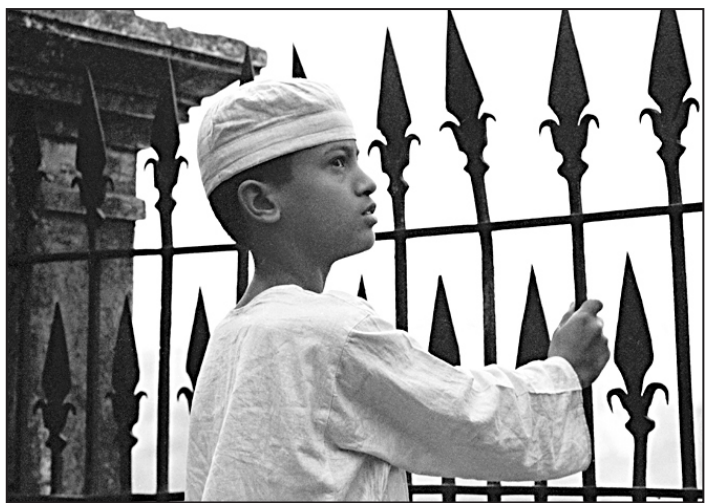


boarding school anywhere in the world. The director demonstrates a sure and compassionate touch in showing Anu making friends with Rokon, another outcast, and devising his own melancholy fantasy games.

Set against these shrewdly evoked scenes of private drama are some wonderful crowd scenes and ambitious set pieces, centring largely on the Hindu festivals of which Kazi is so suspicious.

This is a tale told with humour, visual flair and a canny sense of narrative. Masud shows real feeling for both the children's sadness and their ingenuous pluck in the face of life's trials: a combination symbolised by the clay bird of the title, yearning to escape its earthly form and take wing.

Peter Bradshaw is a film critic of The Guardian, London. This piece was published on May 23 before Matir Moina grabs the coveted award in Cannes.



Scenes from Matir Moina



PHOTOS: COURTESY OF TAREQUE MASUD

Anniversary

Working for humanity

Zonta Club holds a fundraising cultural show

CULTURE DESK

ZONTA International Club 111 Dhaka in its 10th Charter Anniversary presented at a gala dance evening featuring classical and contemporary dance forms.



Aglitzy modern dance show by Shristhi and Nriyadhara

and follow-up by a doctor. In addition to running the SBK, whenever there are funds in hand,



Shristhi and Nriyadhara presents a classical dance recital at the Zonta Club 111 fundraiser choreographed by Anisul Islam Hero

Dhaka was founded in 1991 and chartered in 1992. Since its inception the club has tried to help the underprivileged women and children of the society.

Club 111 contributes and donates to other worthwhile causes, like bearing the treatment costs of cancer, kidney and heart patients, providing scholarships to ten blind children of BERDO.

of arsenic contamination, by it's substantial contribution.

The cultural show was highly applauded by the audience. Classical and Fusion dance were performed in the show. The classical dance session began with 'Vandana', where the dancer offers the self in salutation to the lord.

At the end of the recess, before the commencement of the second half of the programme, the president of Zonta Club 111, Sonia Imran, delivered her note of thanks.

TV GUIDE

EKUSHEY

12:00pm Ekushey Midday
12:30 Desjure Shonglap
1:00 Ekushey Headlines
1:05 Expedition to the Animal Kingdom
1:30 Documentary Programme : Japan Video Tropic
1:50 Classic Cartoons
2:10 Surer Prodeep
2:40 Drishti
3:00 Ekushey Headlines
3:05 Drama Serial
3:30 Chips & Bytes
4:00 Surer Prodeep
4:30 Expedition to the Animal Kingdom
5:00 Circus Circus
5:30 Drishti
5:50 Akjer Potrikay
6:00 Ekushey Headlines
6:05 Classic Cartoons
6:30 New Cartoon: Aladin
6:55 Ekushey Headlines
7:00 Desjure
7:30 Ekushey Shongbad
8:00 Ekushey News
8:05 Anondo
9:15 Serial : Alif Laila
10:00 News: Simulcast from BTV
10:30 Special Documentary Program of Shohid Ziaur Rahman
11:00 Ekushey Late Night News
12:00 E Shoptaher Bishsho
12:30 Ekushey News Headlines

CHANNEL-I

8:25a.m.Pre-discussion on the upcoming World Cup
8:40 Kora Aalap
9:10 Drama Serial: Joyar Bhata
9:40 Shesh Bela
10:10 Documentarily: The Edge
10:40 Chitih Pelam
11:10 Music Plus
11:40 Special Programme
12:10p.m.Pre-discussion on the upcoming World Cup
12:25 Kora Aalap
12:55 Drama Serial: Joyar Bhata
1:25 Shesh Bela
5:05 Young Outlook
5:40 Joto Pod Tolo Mot
6:10 Music Plus
6:45 Special on Ziaur Rahman
7:15 Channel i News
7:50 Discussion on World Cup star players
8:05 Chetonar Maze Shahid Zia
8:30 Drama Serial: Joyar Bhata
8:55 Ispahani i Tele-quiz (question)
9:00 Channel i News
9:40 Shongbadpotre Bangladesh
9:45 Channel i Mobile quiz 2525
10:00 Film based programme Ispahani i Tele-quiz (results)
10:30 Channel i News
11:10 Joto Pod Tolo Mot
11:50 Two dramas starring Humayun Faridi

ATN BANGLA

5:30 Islamic prog:
7:00 Sushta Thakun
7:35 Film song's prog.: Surchobi
8:00 ATN Bangla News
8:25 Musical Prog.
9:00 Musical Prog: Bhalobaser Shuk Dhukh
9:35 Drama serial : Babak
10:10 Musical Prog :
10:50 Bengali feature film: Sukher Songser
12:00 ATN Bangla News
6:07 Islamic prog: Sundor Jeebaner Jannee
6:45 Musical Prog: Protibha
7:00 ATN Bangla Evening News
7:35 Special Prog: Sretete Amlan Sahid Zia
9:20 Reporting prog: Prekkha Pot
10:00 ATN Bangla News
10:35 Drama serial: Shedinyo Briste Solo"
11:20 Bengali feature film: Kalmelota
11:30 ATN Bangla News

BBC WORLD

6:00 BBC News
6:30 World Business
7:00 BBC News
7:30 Asia Today /Asia Business Report
8:00 BBC News
8:30 Asia Today /World Business Report
9:00 BBC News
9:30 Asia Today /Asia Business Report
10:00 BBC News
10:30 World Business Report
11:00 BBC News
11:30 World Business Report

12:00 BBC News

12:30 World Business Report/Sport Today
1:00 BBC News
1:30 Holiday
2:00 BBC News
2:30 Hardtalk
3:00 BBC News
3:30 Simpson
4:00 BBC News
4:30 Asia Today /World Business Report
5:00 BBC News
5:30 Hardtalk

HBO

7:00 Nicholas and Alexandra
10:45 Black Rain
1:15 Apt Pupil
3:30 Virtuosity
5:30 Ghost
8:00 Escape Under Pressure
10:00 The Addams Family
12:00 Bloodfest V: Human Target
1:45 Mr. Jones
4:00 Ghost
6:30 a.m.Mystery Alaska
8:30 Fatal Instinct
10:15 Space Marines
12:00 Memory Run
1:45 Circuitry Man
3:30 Places in the Heart
5:15 Pass, the
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STAR MOVIES

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7:00am Kismat (Biswajit, Babita)
10:30 Bollywood News
11:00 Geet Bahar
11:30 Naseem (Kaifi Azmi, Mayuri Kango)
3:00pm Bollywood News
3:30 Manchali (Sanjeev Kumar, Leena

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

STAR WORLD: 7:00 & 10:30 p.m. Angel. He's Angel. Buffy Summers' love interest in Buffy, The Vampire Slayer. He's that centuries-old vampire cursed with a conscience, and he's left the small California town of Sunnydale and the only woman he ever loved to take up residence in Los Angeles, the City of Angels. In tonight's episode, Angel goes back to 1860, London, to his first encounter with Drusilla.

STAR PLUS: 8:30 p.m. Kudali. Drawing inspiration from those rasas, Kudali, the serial, is about two sisters who get married into the same household. As destiny - or their horoscopes - would have it, the older sister marries the younger brother and the younger sister marries the older brother. In tonight's episode, you will see how the family will handle Viraj's illness?

STAR MOVIES: 7:00 p.m. High Fidelity. Based on the cult novel of the same name by Nick Hornby, High Fidelity follows the 'mid-life' crisis of Rob (Cusack), a thirty-something record-store owner who must face the undeniable facts - he's growing up. In a hilarious homage to the music scene, Rob and the wacky, offbeat clerks that inhabit his store expound on the intricacies of life and song all the while trying to succeed in their adult relationships.

Chandavarkar)
7:00 Geet Bahar
7:30 Lamhe Pyaar Ke : Kashmiri Ki Kali (Shammi Kapoor, Sharmila Tagore)
11:00 Bollywood News
11:30 Udhar Ka Sindur (Jeetendra, Reena Roy, Asha Parekh)

STAR PLUS
7:30 Hum Saath Aath Hain
8:00 Aatma
9:00 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet
9:30 Fox Kids Daily
10:30 Small Wonder
11:00 Maal Hai To Taal Hai
11:30 Meri Saheli
12:00 Shanti
12:30 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet
1:00 Kora Kagaz
1:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii
2:00 Bhabhi
2:30 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi
3:00 Shagun
3:30 Kasauti Zindagi

STAR WORLD
6:00am Family Ties
6:30 3rd Rock From The Sun
7:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show
8:00 MacGyver
9:00 The Drew Carey

PICK OF THE DAY



The Addams Family
On HBO at 10:00 p.m.
The Addams step out of Charles Addams' cartoons. They live with all of the trappings of the macabre (including a detached hand for a servant) and are quite wealthy. Added to this mix is a crooked accountant and his loan shark and a plot to slip in the shark's son into the family as their long lost Uncle Fester. Can the false Fester find his way into the vault before he is discovered?

7:00 Whose Lines is It Anyway
10:00 Ally McBeal
11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show
12:00pm The Practice
1:00 Caroline In The City
1:30 The Bold & The Beautiful
2:00 Hollywood Squares
2:30 Family Ties
3:00 Baywatch
4:00 The Simpsons
4:30 3" Rock From The Sun
5:00 Star News Asia
5:30 Friends
6:00 Ufo's The Best Evidence Ever
6:55 Asianews Update
7:00 Angel
8:00 Martial Law
9:00 Friends
9:30 Ufo's The Best Evidence Ever
10:30 Angel
11:30 Martial Law
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6:30 Movie: The Drive
8:30 Core Culture
9:30 Relic Hunter

10:30 Hum Paanch
11:00 Hudd Kar Di
12:00 Mehndi Tere Naam Ki
12:30 Kitne Kool Hain Hum
1:00 Tu Kahe agar
1:30 Kohi Apna Sa
2:00 Choti Maa Ek Anokha Bandhan
2:30 Gharana
3:00 Naam
6:30 Nickelodeon On Zee
7:00 Nickelodeon
8:00 Kitne Kool Hain Hum
8:30 Kamaal
9:00 Amanat
9:30 Khelo Number Khelo
10:00 Kohi Apna Sa
10:30 Choti Maa Ek Anokha Bandhan
11:00 Tu Kahe Agar
11:30 Tum Pukar Lo
12:00 Gharana

ZEE MUSIC

7:30 Sizzlers
8:00 Music Box
8:30 Artist Of The Fortnight
9:00 Sizzlers
9:30 Hit Pe hit
10:30 Hit Mix
11:00 Taaza Maal
12:00 Just Jammin
12:30 Hit Pe Hit
1:30 Music Box
3:30 Jharokha
2:30 Tara Rum Pum
3:30 Hit Mix
4:00 Hit Pe Hit
5:00 Dil Se
5:30 Hit Mix
6:00 Music Plus
7:00 Dialogue
7:30 Hit Pe Hit
8:30 Bes Of The Best
9:30 Sizzlers
10:00 Dil Se
10:30 Jharokha
8:30 Ardhangani
8:45 Yaaden Radio Ceylon Ki
9:00 Nickelodeon On Zee
9:30 Nick On Zee

ZEE TV

6:00 Yaadon Ke Pal
6:30 Bhakti Bhav
7:00 Yoga For Life
7:20 Jagran
7:50 Zee Gym & Eat Healthy
8:20 News
8:30 Ardhangani
8:45 Yaaden Radio Ceylon Ki
9:00 Nickelodeon On Zee
9:30 Nick On Zee

7:00 Shyaola
7:30 Aalaap Bengali Spl
8:00 Kichu Smriti Kichu Gaan
8:30 Gaan Unltd.
9:00 Bharat Bhraman
9:30 Half Chocolate
10:00 Chena Mukher Shari Achena Manush
10:30 Sudhu Tomake Chai
11:00 Mayurakshi Tumi Gaan Unltd
12:00 Hiyar Majhe
12:30 Chena Mukher Shari Kapurush
1:00 Ek Akasher Niche
2:00 Pratibimba
2:45 Bengali Feature Film
5:00 Gaan Unltd
5:30 Football
6:00 News in Bengali
6:30 Mayurakshi Tumi Shayola
7:00 Shyaola
7:30 Anya Bhuvan
8:00 Patibimba
8:30 Ek Akasher Niche
9:10 Chena Mukh Shari
9:55 Kono Ek Din
10:25 Mathe Maidane
11:00 News
11:30 Half Chocolate
12:00 Shyaola

ZEE CINEMA

7:00 Dadamoni
7:30 Kunwara Badan
10:30 Jeene Nahin Doonga
1:30 Fifty Fifty
5:15 Tara Rum
6:00 Khoon Ki Pyasi Daayen
9:15 Yaadein Radio Ceylon Ki
9:30 Top of the Tops
10:00 Hum Tumpe Marte Hain
1:30 Hit Pe Hit
3:30 Bes Of The Best
9:30 Sizzlers
10:00 Dil Se
10:30 Jharokha
11:00 Music Box
11:30 Phoren Maal
ANIMAL PLANET
7:00 Wild Rescue III
7:30 Animal X
8:00 Twisted Tales
8:30 Planet's Funniest Animals
9:00 Croc Files

9:30 Breed all About It
10:00 Animal Hospital
10:30 Battersea Dogs Home
11:00 Animal Planet Safari
12:00 Tamed N Trained Thursday
1:00 The Whole Story
2:30 Wildlife Emergency
3:00 O'Shes' Big Adventure
3:30 Animal X
4:00 Twisted Tales Rats
4:30 Animal Hospital
5:00 Croc Files
5:30 Animals A-Z
6:00 Champions of the wild
6:30 Battersea Dogs Home
7:00 Wild Rescue III
7:30 Animal Doctor
8:00 Tamed N Trained Thursday
9:30 Animal People
10:00 Extreme Contact
10:30 Animal Planet Safari
11:30 Nature By Design
12:00 Lifesense

DISCOVERY

7:30 In The Wild
8:30 Wild Discovery
9:30 Travelers
10:30 Africa's Great Rivers
11:00 Uncharted Africa
11:30 Shark Files, The
12:30 Living Pulse
1:30 Wild Discovery
2:30 In The Wild
3:30 Popular mechanics for Kids
4:00 Real Kids, Real Adventures
4:30 Journeys From Hell
5:30 Travelers
6:30 In The Wild
7:30 Wild Discovery
8:30 Africa's Great Rivers
9:30 Shark Files
10:30 History of Football
11:30 Body Challenge