

Exhibition

Inspiring, impressive

Masuma Pia, a young amateur photographer holds her first solo exhibition at DRiK gallery in the city

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A total of 47 photographic works of Masuma Pia make up her first solo exhibition titled, 'In quest for a little life', at DRiK gallery in the city. Masuma, a computer graphic designer and media consultant, captures nature and life that surrounds her with an intimate sensibility.

Masuma chooses her themes from among common and simple objects like living organisms, plants, leaves, etc. Microscopic evaluation of mossy undergrowths beneath abandoned brick pieces or germination of a seed into a pair of deep green leaves from in between crack of a wall draw close and easy attention of the photographer. Masuma's photographic eye captures the intricate beauty of nature with ease and finesse.

Masuma is an artist-photographer. Nothing escapes the attention of Masuma whether it is the undergrowths and minute vegetations of the kitchen garden of one's backyard, a living room or be it a TV lounge. All of these settings provide immense amount of subjects to the creative and artistic photographer. Everything in a room or in the veranda, often seen through the panes of a cosy window, turns into matters of intricate abstraction and surrealism before her eyes.

A bright streak of sunlight through a broken hole of a ceiling or adjacent wall might give enough idea to the young lens-artist, who with her sincere and thought-provoking attitude would produce the best of a masterpiece. Irregular and haphazard materials become lined-up and orderly when Masuma takes charge of the setting to make it a work of art.

Beauty of a vine that creeps across a moss-covered wall is caught in the most intricate fashion, as she successfully brings life, vigour and colour to her unusual works.

'Silence-1' presents, in close-up mode, portion of a door that seems to be shut from the inside of a room. On the cracked wooden surface, sprawl out rays of the late afternoon sun, with a beautiful patterned



Daily Life

shadow of an open window grill from the opposite corner of the room.

Masuma takes the viewer to every nook and corner of the natural world, among bushy vegetations, barks of trees and trunks, very near to banks of pond and stream when one almost 'hears' through instinct, the musical flow of the thin rivulet of water that

head towards an unknown destination just like our own. Nature's tunes and melodies come up in the 'Orchestra' series where the flowing water presents a rhythmic pattern with splendid colourful reflections of the greenery that hang overhead.

The work 'Green drop' forms a bond between the viewer and the subject, a leaf of a plant in deep green with distinct veins and ves-

sels upon which lie tiny beads of raindrop which resemble freshly embedded pearls across a green, lively surface.

One of a series of works titled 'Struggle' reflects a common desire of all life forms, that being of freedom and liberty. A cluster of green grass growing behind a wired fence, stand up as if cry for justice against torture and repression.



Struggle

'Remembrance' shows a brick pathway covered with green moss underneath a shady vegetation upon which falls a patch of sunlight of the noon period. The mossy brick path seems to me to be quite serene and silent, yet full of life and memory, once trampled by passers-by and left with trails of activities of various kinds, says Masuma.

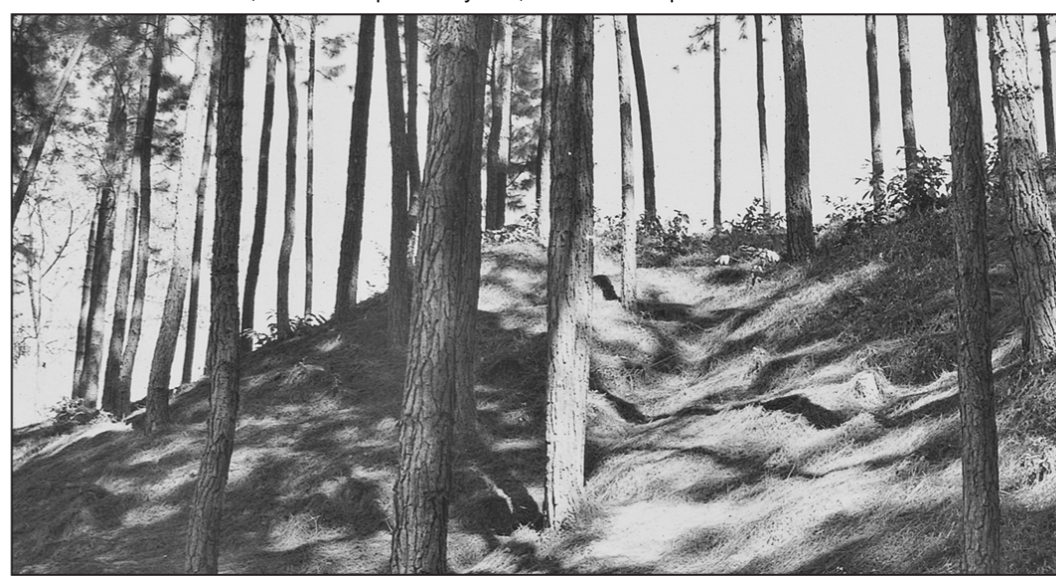
Pia dedicates her first solo exhibition to the World Environment Day 2002, and declares her full-fledged support for the hard-fought survival of the smallest beings that nature creates upon. 'Each and every life form, be it a microscopic one or the most gigantic of all, has the same amount of right to live and flourish in this resourceful universe. Man, as I personally feel, needs the help of

nature to survive as much as nature needs the services of her more intelligent counterpart, in the same manner', mentions the spirited female photographer, a great admirer of both nature and the man.

The exhibition remains open from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. every day till June 11.



Little Life-1



Silence-2

RECOMMENDATIONS

Cinema

May 9 A premier show of Tanvir Mokammel's documentary, 'Oye Jamuna' takes place at 6:30 p.m. at the auditorium of Kanchi Kancha at Shegunbagicha in the city. Prothom Alo Editor Matur Rahman stays as chief guest. The documentary shows the rhythmic waterways of the mighty river, Jamuna that flows through Bengal and meets another giant, Padma near Faridpur.

In quest of little life

June 5-11 Masuma Pia, an amateur photographer holds her first solo, 'In quest of little life', at DRiK gallery in the city. A total of 47 works make up the exhibition that is open daily from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. The exhibition is dedicated to World Environment Day 2002.

Reconstruction of Reality

June 7-21 Kazi Sayed Ahmed holds a solo exhibition of his artworks titled 'Reconstruction of Reality' at the gallery of Alliance Francaise de Dhaka. The show is open to all daily except Saturday from 5:00 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Painting Exhibition

June 6-15 A painting exhibition by artist Esmekar Uddin Ahmed will start at the Gallery Chitrak (H-21, Road-4, Dhanmondi R/A) from June 6. Artist Imdad Husain will inaugurate the exhibition while singer Sudhin Das will be present as special guest. Artist Rafiqun Nabi will preside over the inaugural ceremony.

The exhibition will remain open everyday from 10:00 a.m. till 8:00 p.m.s

Seminar

June 13 The 21st seminar of the International Center for Study of Bengal Art will be held at 5:00 p.m. in the Library Hall of the center in the city. Dr. S.S. Mustafizur Rahman, Associate Professor of the Dept. of Archeology of Jahangirnagar University will give and illustrated speech on 'Ancient glass beads of Wari-Baleswar: An archeological analysis'.

TV GUIDE

BTV

- 11:30a.m. Opening
11:40 Patriotic songs
11:50 Special entertainment program
12:15p.m. World cup football song
12:20 World cup match live: Mexico Vs Ecuador
2:00 News headline
2:50 World cup match live: Costa Rica Vs Turkey
3:00 News
4:00 News headline
5:00 News
5:30 World cup match live: Germany Vs Russia
6:00 News
7:00 News headline in English
7:30 Barta Probaho
8:00 News
8:30 Selected program
9:00 News headline
10:00 News at ten
10:25 World cup match highlights
11:45 Closing
EKUSHEY
12:00 Ekushey Midday
12:30 Shoptaho Ghure Deshjure
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 Pother Pachile
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 Chana Pona
6:30 Cartoon Picture
6:55 Ekushey Headlines
7:00 Deshjure
7:30 Ekushey Shongbad
8:00 Ekushey News
8:05 Drama serial : Durer Batighor
8:30 Natak: Chayaghore
9:30 Natak : Rod Brishti Bhalobasha
10:00 News : Simulcast from BTV
10:30 Sumprotique
11:00 Ekushey Late Night News

ATN

- 5:30 "Islamic Prog
7:00 Children Prog: Shapla Shaluk
7:35 Anurodher Assor
8:00 ATN Bangla News
8:25 Mage Serial: Mohine
9:00 Reporting prog: Ghotona Probah
9:35 Drama serial: Mamlia Hamla Jameila
10:10 Development prog.: Unnoyan Sanglap
10:50 Film Magazine : Boliwooder Khobor
11:15 Bengali feature film : Proman
12:00 ATN Bangla News
6:07 Nabin Borron
7:00 ATN Bangla Evening News
7:35 Musical prog.
8:10 Musical prog: Surer Madure
8:45 Papet show: The World of Jonathon Sing
9:20 Drama serial: Jebon Jekhane Shes
10:00 ATN Bangla News
10:35 Drama : Moyore
10:45 Bengali feature film : Sarporene
11:30 ATN Bangla News
BBC WORLD
6:00 BBC News
7:00 Holiday
7:30 BBC News
7:30 Simpson
8:00 BBC News
8:30 Correspondent
9:00 BBC News
9:30 This Week
10:00 BBC News
10:30 Mastermind India
11:00 BBC News
11:30 India Business Report
12:00 BBC News
12:30 Commando!
1:00 BBC News
1:30 Face to Face
2:00 BBC News
2:30 This Week
3:00 BBC News
3:30 Horizon
4:00 BBC News
4:30 Click Online
5:00 BBC News
5:30 Simpsons
HBO
7:00 A Kiss Before Dying
9:00 Hercules and Xena
10:30 The Animated Movie : The Battle for Mount Olympus
10:45 Sonic Impact
12:45 One Kill
2:45 Outbreak
5:15 Dragnet

STAR MOVIES

- 6:00 Comedy : Rookie of the Year
7:45 Action : Atomic Twister
9:30 Action : Dead Presidents
11:15 Comedy : High Fidelity
1:15 Comedy : Casper A Spirited Beginning
3:00 Comedy : Woman on Top
4:30 Sunday Megamovie : Mad About Mambo
6:00 Drama : The Insider
8:30 Comedy : Rookie of the Year
10:15 Action : Terminal Velocity
12:00 Drama : The Insider
STAR GOLD
7:30 Jahan Sati Wahan Bhagwan (Prithviraj Kapoor, Anita Guha)
10:30 Geet Bahar
11:30 Kuch Yaadein Kuch Baatein
12:00 Raheem Na Raheem Hum - Bandini
12:30 Maaza Sunday Noon Show Bedardi (Ajay Devgan, Urmila Matondkar)
4:00 Jaane Bhi Do Yaaro (Naseeruddin Shah, Ravi Baswani)
7:00 Geet Bahar
7:30 Sunday Blockbuster Pighal Ta Aasman (Shashi Kapoor, Rakhee, Rati Agnihotri)
11:00 Kuch Yaadein Kuch Baatein
11:30 Parvarish (Amitabh Bachchan, Vinod Khanna)
STAR PLUS
6:00 Mirch Masala
6:30 Geet Bahar
7:30 Aatma
8:30 Dharum Aur Hum
9:30 Amul Best of Surabhi
10:00 Family Fortunes
10:30 Bol Baby Bol
11:00 The Price is Right
11:30 Chalti Ka Naam Antakshiri
12:25 Kya Film Kya Geet
12:30 Chhupa Rustom
1:00 Musafir Hoon Yaron

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

STAR MOVIES: 4:30 p.m. Mad About Mambo. A catholic high school student in West Belfast, Ireland dreams of playing professional soccer. But first, he has to perfect his timing. He starts taking dance classes, and there he meets Lucy McCloughlin, and falls in love.
STAR WORLD: 7:00 & 10:30 p.m. The X Files. Hieroglyphics on the pyramids of Egypt refer to what we today call Unidentified Flying Objects. UFO sightings, since then, have been too many to register. Alien abductions and experiments are reported at the same frequency. The X Files will find out the truth. In tonight's episode, A gamer is killed while playing the 'First shooter' video game. Mulder and Scully investigate.
AXN: 9:30 p.m. The Devils' Own. One of top Northern Ireland IRA terrorists, Frankie McGuire, escapes to NY, where he, under the name of Rory Devaney, with support of friendly judge Peter Fitzsimmons, lives in the house of Irish cop Tom O'Meara, who doesn't know who Frankie really is. Rory tries to buy some weapons from dealer Billy Burke, while Tom has moral problems covering up his partner cop Edwin Diaz. The problems arise.

12:00am STAR Talk
CHANNEL [V]
8:00 [V] Back To Back
8:30 [V] Best of Jumpstart
9:30 [V] Sunday Stack
10:00 [V] Back to Back
10:30 [V] Sunday Stack
11:00 [V] Back to Back
11:30 [V] Colossal Chaos Countdown
12:00 [V] Zabardast Hits
1:00 [V] Sunday Stack
1:30 [V] Zabardast Hits
2:00 [V] Zabardast Hits
2:30 [V] Back to Back
3:00 [V] Zabardast Hits
3:30 [V] Karaoke
4:00 [V] Sunday Stack
4:30 [V] Zabardast Hits
5:00 [V] Sunday Stack
5:30 [V] Weekends Travis
6:00 Live At The [V]HQ
6:30 [V] Sunday Stack
7:00 [V] Colossal Chaos Countdown
7:30 PO [V]
8:00 [V] Zabardast Hits
8:30 [V] Sunday Stack
9:00 [V] Weekends Travis
10:30 Billboard US Countdown
11:30 [V] Sunday Stack
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC
7:30 Saturday Unlimited
8:30 Nat Geo Genius
9:00 Human Edge
9:30 Adventure One
10:30 Saturday Unlimited
11:30 NGC Special

PICK OF THE DAY

12:00am Star Hits
AXN
6:30 Relic Hunter
7:30 Ripley's Believe It Or Not!
8:30 Battledome
9:30 The Right Stuff
10:30 Ripley's Believe It Or Not!
11:30 Guinness World Records : Primetime
12:30 No Boundaries
1:30 Eco-Challenge Sabah
3:30 Silverstone Rally
4:30 Nokia Urban Challenge/Motorworld Scariest Places On Earth
5:30 Guinness World Records : Primetime
7:30 Ripley's Believe It Or Not!
8:30 Fear Factor
9:30 Sun Action Heroes
Movie : The Devils' Own
HALLMARK
6:00 Finding Buck Mchenry
8:00 Katts and Dog
8:30 Ghostwriter
9:00 Sesame Street
10:00 Scholastic Clifford
10:30 Callou
11:00 A Town Torn Apart
1:00 Incident in a Small Town
3:00 Finding Buck Mchenry
5:00 Star Trek: Voyager
6:00 Touched By An Angel V
7:00 Redeemer
9:00 Star Trek : Voyager
10:00 Moonshine Highway
12:00 Touched by an Angel V
ZEE TV
7:00 Yoga For Life
7:40 Jagran
7:50 Zee Gym
8:30 Nickelodeon
9:00 Nick On Zee
9:30 Ramayan
10:30 Manabharat
11:30 Thief of Baghdad
12:30 Gubbare
1:30 Top of the Tops
2:00 Khana Khazana
2:30 Zee & You
3:00 Ram Lakhan
6:30 Nickelodeon
7:00 Nick On Zee
8:00 Nilaam Ghar-Bid id Boom
8:30 Rishyey The Love Stories
9:30 Sansaar
10:30 X Zone
11:30 World Close Up
Antakshari
Top of the Tops
ZEE CINEMA
7:00 Cine News
7:30 Suraksha
10:30 Do Raaste
1:30 Dil Ka Kya Kasoor
5:15 Top of The Tops
6:00 Hum Ho Gaye Aap Ke
9:30 Ikke Pe Ikka
10:00 Choti Bahu (Zcn-Dipak Tjori)
ZEE MUSIC
7:30 Sizzlers
8:00 Zee Music Box
8:30 Best of The Best
9:30 Hit Pe Hit
10:30 Hit Mix
11:00 Taaza Maal
12:00 Compact Disc
12:30 Hit Pe Hit
1:30 Zee Music Box
2:30 Jharokha
3:30 Tara Rum Pum
3:30 Hit Mix
4:00 Hit Pe Hit
5:00 Dil Se
5:30 Hit Mix
6:00 Zee Music Plus
8:30 Best Of The Best
9:30 Hit Pe Hit
10:30 Hit Mix
11:00 Taaza Maal
12:00 Compact Disc
ALPHA TV
BANGLA
7:00 Bhalobasa Mondobasa
7:30 Aalaap Bengali Spl
8:00 Purobi Bangla
8:30 Gaan Unltd
9:00 Bharat Bhraman
9:30 Sanghaat
10:00 Sapthalik Bhagya Chakra
10:30 Aanya Bangla
11:00 Agni Yuger Padatik
11:30 Chhotto Chutrit Phake
12:00 Bhawanipur Chatujera
12:30 Half Chocolate
1:00 Ranna Ghar
1:30 Saregama
2:30 Bhanu Goenda Jahar Assistant
5:00 Sapthalik Bhagya Chakra
5:30 Maith Maidane
6:00 News In Bengali
6:30 Abhinetri
7:00 Major Khela Kobitae
7:30 Agni Yuger Football
8:00 Bisforon Telechobi
8:05 Chena Mukh Achena Manush
11:00 News in Bengali
11:30 Sudhu Tomake Chai
12:00 Abisasywa
SONY
6:30 Music Mantra
7:00 Chartbusters
7:30 Amrit Varsha
8:00 Asaram Vani Sant
8:30 Chartbusters
9:00 Good Morning Disney
10:00 Music Mantra Indian Holi
10:30 Hum Sab Ek
11:00 Choodiya
11:30 Shaheen
12:00 Challenge
12:30 Pehcha
1:00 Kkusum
1:30 Kanyadaa
2:00 Lajja
2:30 Milan
3:00 Hum Pardes Gaye
3:30 Thoda Hai... Thod Zarurat
4:00 Choti S
4:30 Sparsh
5:00 Jaane Kah
5:00 Jaane Kahan Mera Jigar Gaya jee
5:30 C.A. T.S
6:00 Dil Vil Pyaar Vyaar
6:30 Disney Hour
7:30 Chartbusters
8:00 Music Mantra
8:30 Boogie Woogie
9:00 Par Is Dil ko Kaisa Kkusum
9:30 Heena
10:30 CID
11:00 Achanak 37 Saal Baad
11:30 Bhanwar
12:00 Kaun Apna Kaun Paraya
CNBC
6:00 Ceo Australia
6:30 Pakistan This Week
7:00 Generation
7:30 Managing Asia
8:00 Lo & Company
8:30 Asia Mkt Week
9:00 Pakistan This WK
9:30 Cutting Edge
10:00 Smart Money
10:30 The Classroom
11:00 Managing India
11:30 Trendmill
12:00 Storyboard
12:30 Ladies European Tour ANZ
1:30 Senior PGA Tour
2:00 Siebel Classic in Silicon Valley
3:30 Tour de las Americas
4:00 LG Panama Masters
5:00 US PGA Tour Bay Hill Invitational
6:30 Smart Money
7:00 Managing India
7:30 Storyboard
8:00 Digital Revlution
8:30 Cutting Edge
9:00 Taking Stock
10:00 Trendmill
10:30 Jay Lenno
11:30 Conan O'Brien