## RECOMMENDATIONS



### **Anniversary** and Book exhibition

June 30 - July 9 Birth Anniversary of renowned author Ahmad Safa is being observed by Sraban, a book outlet at Aziz Super Market in the city. A ten-day book exhibition of the writer continues at the shop with an inauguration at 11:00 a.m. on the opening day.

### Young Artists' art exhibition 2002

June 20-July 4

A fortnight long young artists' art exhibition, organised by the Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy, is being held at the academy's new auditorium building. The show is open from morning till evening

#### **Photography** June 30 - July 4

A photography exhibition titled, "Terrorism against humanity' by an American photographer is being held at NSU (BTA-100) at Banani in the city. 28 works of photograph show devastating aftermath of September 11 at and around Twin Towers in New York city. The exhibition is open daily from 10:00 a.m. to 6 p.m. The exhibition is organised by North South University Photography Club

## Book launching

## An icon to millions

Humayun Ahmed, a celebrity author of Bangla bestsellers steps in at Etcetera, a leading book shop of the city and unwraps cover of his latest novel, 'Asmani-ra teen bon'



Written by Humayun Ahmed Published by Annya Prakash Price: Taka 70/-

AZIZ AMIRUL

TCETERA Bangladesh, a book shop located at Gulshan circle 1 in the city, organised a launching ceremony of Humayun Ahmed's latest novel, 'Asmani-ra teen bon' (The three sisters).

The event was attended among others by the author himself. Invited guests and members of the press were too, present there to witness a supposedly interesting item of literary worth.

Alamgir Rahman, ownerpublisher of Annya Prakash, a leading publishing house of the country, was an accompanying member of a small troupe that arrived at the venue with Humayun Ahmed and his son, Nuhash.

'I am highly pleased and excited to discover such an elegant arrangement made by the bookshop in order to welcome me and help unwrap the cover of a new novel, 'Asmani-ra teen bon', said Humayun Ahmed, while he delivered a brief yet enlightened speech at the event. 'At a moment like this, one of an event that involves my book, I feel very much embarrassed



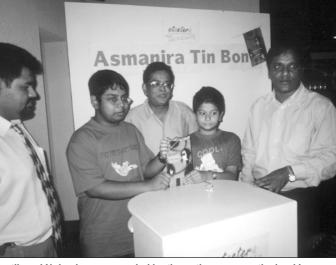
Humayun Ahmed speaks before the guests at Etcetera

to carry out the formal procedure of removing the laced cover off the book and hence, invite my son, Nuhash along with Protik, who is the son of a friend and well-isher of mine, to unwrap the cover of Asmani-ra teen bon. It would be best to witness in pride, the activities of two members of a new generation who would certainly one day,

grow up to serve for the country'. As the plot unfolded, three sisters, a father, who formerly begged beside river banks, and a mother of quite a callous and indifferent characteristic, appeared before the readers. The poor father had to sacrifice a lot in life and eventually had to lose his wife and daughters among the tangled web of a com-



Humayun, surrounded by fans, autographs 'Asmani-ra teen bon'



Protik and Nuhash, accompanied by the author, unwrap the book's cover

plex and rude world. At one stage, Zamir Ali, the unfortunate father found himself locked up behind the bars of some Indian jail with allegation of trespass. While his term of imprisonment got increased by seven extra years due to some accidental occurrence inside the iail. Zamir's three daughters Asmani, Jamdani and Paisa started their new life, one of extreme risk, as 'tight rope walkers' within strange and ruthless walls of a circus party that wandered across towns and villages to provide merriment to the public. At a later stage, a foreign citizen appeared in the plot with whom, Paisa, the youngest of the three sisters developed friendship and love. In a striking development, it was revealed that Harun Sarker, the owner of the circus party, before his death, had donated the property of the party in name of the three

As the final scenes of the plot arrived, the foreigner, Ni Porter was seen taking video shots of the sisters who were walking across a rope during a show, while an old man watched from the ground. 'They are my daughters. Asmani.

Jamdani and Paisa', revealed the father who had once again found his lost daughters after he had returned to his homeland as a free man. The old father used to maintain contact with his daughters from the far away Patna jail through letters.

Pain, agony, love, lust and excitement, all of which are some of the basic instincts of mankind, found place in the plot. The setting of the plot presented a society of the middle class rural and suburban people who had come from all streams of life only to meet at a critical juncture. Destiny took full control of situa-

tions and warned its subjects of the fateful consequences one could suffer had the person acted against its will. Life of young girls could be the cheapest object in our society that had, in a very realistic way, been shown in this story. From the positive reaction of the

enthusiastic crowd at the launching venue of Etcetera Bangladesh, one could easily realize that yet another cap was waiting in the pipeline to be dispatched soon in the form of a glorious crown of success for Humayun Ahmed.

### Cinema

# A must see film for press

Academy Film Society screens 'The Front Page' at a press conference in the city today

**CULTURE DESK** 

CADEMY Film Society holds a special show of the film, 'The Front Page', at the academy's auditorium at Zigatola of Dhanmondi in the city at 12:00 p.m. today. A press conference too, takes place at the same venue.

This third film version of the 1928 Ben Hecht/Charlie MacArthur Broadway hit 'The Front Page' was the first one permitted to utilize all the salty profanities in the original play. Director Billy Wilder cast his two favorite leading men, Jack Lemmon and Walter Matthau, as ace-reporter Hildy Johnson and ruthless newspaper-editor Walter Burns, respectively. The plot of the Hecht/MacArthur play remains intact: Burns pulls every underhanded game in the book to prevent Johnson from leaving his Chicago paper to get married, and in so doing the two journalists uncover a cesspool of political corruption, centered on the planned execution of anarchist

collaboration with I.A.L. Diamond, Wilder embellishes upon the original material with a few gags of his own: the fey, poetic reporter Bensinger (David Wayne) is now an out-and-out homosexual; convicted murderer Williams (Austin Pendleton) is plagued by a bad cold; a photojournalist straps a camera to his leg to surreptitiously snap a picture of the execution, only to ruin the mechanism when he wets himself; and the crooked sheriff (Vincent Gardenia) is now a paranoid Nixon clone, who at one point declares that the press won't have him to kick around any more The Front Page was remade for a fourth time in 1988 as Switching Channels Two male performers Jack

Earl Williams. Carol Burnett has an

extended (and surprisingly

humorless) cameo as Williams' tart

girl friend Molly Malloy. In

Lemmon and Walter Matthau jointly received Golden Globe awards in category 'best actor in a leading role' for the year 1974. Jennings Lang and Paul Monash received same award as makers of the best picture for the same year. Billy Wilder's version of the

classic play carries a lot of fond memories for former newspapermen, but one does not expect 'The Front Page' to resonate quite so well with the rest of the populace. Lemmon plays it straight as a reporter bent on getting out of the business in order to get married while Matthau's hilariously over-the-top editor does everything in his power to keep him on the payroll during a fantastic jailbreak in the 1920's Chicago. It drags in the middle, but a good first act and a stellar finale make the movie completely worthwhile

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#### Business Report TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS BBC News Asia Today/World STAR MOVIES: 8:45 p.m. Lord of Illusions. Business Report



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**HBO** 

During a routine case in L.A., NY private investigator Harry D'Amour (Scott Bakula) stumbles over members of a fanatic cult, who are waiting for the resurrection of their leader Nix (Daniel von Bargen). 13 years ago Nix was calmed down by his best trainee Swann (Kevin J. O'Connor). In the meantime Swann is advanced to a populary illusionist like David Copperfield and is married to the charming Dorothea ("Goldeneye"-Bond girl Famke Janssen). She hires D'Amour to protect Swann against the evil cult members Short time later Swann is killed by one of his own tricks and the occurrences are turning over. And it crackles between Dorothea and D'Amour...



Bollywood Beats

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Show. If you loved his sarcastic tone and deadpan expression in Whose Line Is It Anyway?, then don't miss

him in form on the show that's named after him. In tonight's episode, Drew is put in charge of the store in Mr. Wick's absence

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Friends

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The Simpsons

Star News Asia

The Drew Carey

Whose Line Is I

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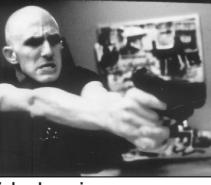
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PICK OF THE DAY

**Higher Learning** On HBO at 10:00 pm

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**STAR NEWS** 

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Whose Line Is

social background are forced to integrate when they all enroll in Columbus University. They all have their own problems, such as finance, harrassment, personal safety, and self doubt. Additionally, campus life seems to be causing a problem for everyone: racism.

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