

RECOMMENDATIONS



Dhokrar Daake

July 5-12
A group sculpture exhibition goes on at the Indian High Commission cultural center at Dhanmondi in the city.

Concert

July 12
A charity concert to help a kidney patient will be held at the Army Stadium in the city from afternoon onwards.

Workshop

July 7-12
Indian theatre trainer Devendra Raj conducts a five-day playwright workshop titled, 'Play-writing: Narrative style'.

Jazz

July 14
A jazz evening will be held at the Alliance Francaise at Mirpur road in the city, 9:30 p.m. onwards.

Cabaret Pasteur

July 19
An exhibition on French scientist Louis Pasteur will be held at the cafeteria premises of Alliance Francaise de Dhaka at 7 p.m.

Event

Fighting for cultural freedom

Sammilita Sangskritik Jote renews its vow to fight "communalism" and "despotism" at its fifth council convention

TAWFIQUE ALI

FIFTH council convention of Sammilita sangskritik Jote, a combined body of the country's left leaning cultural organisations, was held last Friday at the city's Mahila Samity Auditorium.



Rally of the Jote in progress

The convention welcomed new and relatively younger faces in the Jotes leadership for the new term with Nasiruddin Yusuf Bachhu and Golam Kuddus respectively as chairperson and general secretary.

In his welcome address during the session with the councilors, eminent theatre personality Mamun-ur-Rashid laid stress on showing due honour and retention of the country's tribal and minority cultures.

Photography

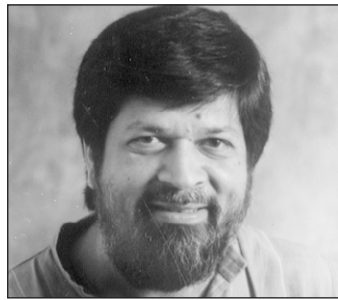
A leader in photojournalism

Country's veteran photographer Shahidul Alam heads jury on world press

CULTURE DESK

IT would surely be a matter of national prestige and recognition for Bangladesh, to preside over the world's highest body on photojournalism.

shahidul Alam has been part of this select body thrice before apart from being the chair. Other Asians who have been members of the international jury on more than one occasion include celebrated Indian photographers Rashedi Rai of the Magnum Agency and Pablo Bartholomew belonging to Yamma liaison.



With Bangladesh in the chair, this year's Jury consists of other twelve

top ranking professional photographers including sara Harbutt of USA, director of photography, Newsweek Magazine, Pierre Fernandez of France, editor-in-chief, Agence France Presse, Paslo pellegrin of Italy, photographer, Magnum, Pablo Ortiz Manesterio of Mexico, editor, Luna Cornea and Andrew Wong of People's Republic of China, Chief photographer, Reuters.

body will successfully reflect fundamental principles and spirit of the Jote.

Ramendu Majumdar, the outgoing chairperson joined his voice in the same spirit saying, "Sammilita Sangskritik Jote has still remained a non-political fashion in its activities."

Sammilita Sangskritik Jote came into being some eighteen years back country's when cultural activists united under a federal platform to expedite a greater cultural movement in the country.

Looking back to its historical background we find an emergence of an enormous cultural spirit against the then autocratic rule. The very seed of the Jote was sown at the all-party Ekush observance in 1983.

The organisation was set up to fight against conspiracy and political dictatorship to create a non-communal democratic society, saturated with spirit of development and welfare.

International

Disney loses icon

Pioneering animator Ward Kimball expires at 88 in LA

AFP, Los Angeles

WARD Kimball, one of the world's pioneering cartoon animators who created such classic Walt Disney characters as Jiminy Cricket, died on Monday at the age of 88, Disney executives said.



Kimball wears a 'hairy hand'

Kimball, one of family movie mogul Walt Disney's trusted band of key animators known as the "Nine Old Men," died of natural causes in a hospital near Los Angeles, Disney said in a statement.

Kimball, who joined the Walt Disney Co. in 1934 and worked for it for 39 years, was best known as the creator of the mischievous animated top-hatted cricket who advised wooden boy Pinocchio in the 1940 film of the same name.

But, working closely with Disney and the eight other "old men," imaginative and often eccentric Kimball helped create the magic of Disney animation that achieved its peak of global fame in the 1940s and 1950s.

"To the end of his days, Ward was a pixie-ish spirit that was irresistible," said film critic and Disney author Leonard Maltin.

"He had the soul of an artist and an innate sense of humor that came through in his work, his hobbies and his outlook on life. Ward was truly one of a kind."

Kimball was closely associated with Disney characters such as Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck, Snow White and those of the animated version of Lewis Carroll's classic "Alice in Wonderland."

He was also largely responsible for animating Donald Duck in 1944's exuberant film "The Three Caballeros," and was also principally behind the Cheshire Cat, The March Hare and The Mad Hatter in "Alice and Wonderland."

He served as directing animator on the ever popular "Snow White and the Seven Dwarves," (1937), on Disney's classic "Fantasia," (1940), "Cinderella," (1950) "Peter Pan," (1953) "Mary Poppins" and "Bedknobs and Broomsticks" (1970).

Two of the short features Ward created for Disney -- 1953's "Toot, Whistle, Plunk and Boom," and 1969's "It's Tough to Be a Bird" -- won Oscars, capping off one of the most distinguished careers in animation.

The death of Kimball -- who was known in later years for his trademark large, round plastic-framed glasses -- on Monday all but closed a chapter in cinematic history, leaving just two of the original "Nine Old Men" surviving.

"Ward's passing is a tremendous loss to the animation community," said Walt Disney Co. vice chairman Roy Disney, the son of its founder. "He was a remarkable character and we will miss him enormously."

Kimball was born in Minneapolis, in the midwestern state of Minnesota in 1914 and joined Disney Studios in 1934 after his interest in Mickey Mouse, first created by Disney in 1928, lured him to Hollywood.

He spent the next four decades writing, animating and directing for the company whose name has become synonymous with cartoons for generations of children across the globe.

But Kimball -- who was honored by his former employer as a Disney Legend in 1989 -- did not confine his colourful character and energy to the workplace.

A lifelong train enthusiast, he built the first full-size private backyard railway in America on his California ranch in 1938 that boasted a 28,800 kilogram (64,000 pound) coal-burning locomotive, a passenger carriage and over 270 meters (900 feet) of track.

Also a builder of miniature trains, Kimball was instrumental in converting his boss Walter Disney into a lifelong train fanatic.

Never too busy to explore new talents, Kimball also founded the Dixieland jazz band the "Firehouse Five plus Two," leading some of his fellow Disney workers in recording albums and playing concerts.

TV GUIDE

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