RECOMMENDATIONS

Australian Film Festival

August 15 - 16 Australian High Commission in Bangladesh hosts an Australian film festival on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of diplomatic relations between Australia and Bangladesh. A total of ten films, of different lengths, will be screened at the British Council auditorium in the city. Free passes are available at the British Council office.

Art exhibition

Artist Fakrul Islam holds a solo exhibition of his works at the gallery of Alliance Francaise, complete schedule of which will soon be announced. 'Art is the best way to express emotion, love and personal

Sculpture exhibition

August 12 - 18 A sculpture exhibition of artist Ferdousi Priyobhashini begins at

Bengal art gallery at Dhanmondi in

the city. The exhibition runs

attitude of oneself' says Fakrul.

everyday and is open to all. Children's art exhibition

August 9-13 A children's art display starts at DRIK gallery in the city and continues everyday from 3 to 8 p.m. The exhibition titled 'Shishuder chokhev Bangladesh' is open to all.

Dance Festival September 15-17

A dance festival is to be organised by Nritya Dhara, a local dance institution, at the auditorium of Bangladesh National Museum at Shahbagh in the city that will be participated by over 100 danseuse from across the country including tribal performers from Marma, Santal, Pankho, Chakma and Manipuri communities.

A seminar on the trend and status of Bangladeshi folk dance will also be held during the threeday session that will be attended by reputed dance artists, instructors, critics and cultural personalities from across the country.

Reviving tribal heritage

Local dance institution to host a festival in cooperation with the Bengal Foundation

RITYA Dhara, a leading dance institution of the country hosts 'Bangladesh Dance Festival', a three-day event from September 15 to 17. This displays dance disciplines of several origins from across the country, in cooperation with the Bengal Foundation, a top promotion house of cultural affairs in Bangladesh. State Minister for Cultural Affaires, Begum Selima Rahman inaugurates the festival at Bangladesh National Museum at Shahbagh in the city that presents the rich and diverse cultural and dance heritage of tribal communities of the country. It also presents the attitude and style of different dance traditions of

Various dance heritage of the country unknown to the common people come under fresh observation and creates opportunity to save threatened section of the communi-

The festival includes performances by danseuse from communities of Chakma, Marma, Manipuri, Santal and those from ordinary folk population apart from Dhrupadi and classical dance artists of the sub-

The first day of the festival presents a Manipuri dance and a dance drama performance by artists of the Bulbul Lalitkala Academy. A seminar titled, 'Bangladeshi dance: Trends, practice, limitations and opportunities' is on schedule along with presentation of dance by tribal artists of Marma, Chakma, Tripura and Pankho communities. In addition, Jhankar Lalitkala Academy presents dance drama. The third day of the festival witnesses a Santal dance , performance from different dance organisations of the

Nritya Dhara, co-hosts of the festival has revealed its complete schedule and plans for the festival at a press conference that took place on August 6. Dance instructors and



Munmun Ahmed, Dipa Khandaker, Kabirul Islam Ratan, Anisul Islam Hiru apart from art and cultural personalities like Mustafa Monwar, Kamal Lohani, Ramendu

Mazumder, Rafiqunnabi, Selim Al Deen, Rahija Khanam, Laila Hasan, Jubaida Latif, Naila Khan, Niloufar Zafarullah, Sara Zaker, Shimul and Nasiruddin Yousuf, Lubna Mariam,

Rawshan Ara Begum and Minu Haq, one of the chief organizers and founder of Nritya Dhara, were present at the meet.

CULTURE

Nritya Dhara, a young and motivated dance institution has been set up by a group of energetic and enthusiastic cultural activists who aim at reaching the peak of the arena with their self-help, dedication and spirited attitude and perfor-

A total of some ten issues have been fixed for implementation by the members of the institution who want to arrange regular dance events in and outside Dhaka. This will be through a minimum entry fee, and will arrange free dance training for less the fortunate children of the society, and aims at publishing books, journals and newsletters on dance and related matters, and also hopes to arrange dance festivals at a space of every two years. Nritya Dhara also hopes to maintain international relation with foreign institutions and exchange artists, wishes to honour reputed danseuse, researchers and critics of the art form. Again, it hopes to participate in social welfare activities in seminars, discussions and arrange exhibitions of dance related issues and objectives

During the last one year since September 2001, the organization has been able to earn a good reputation with the country's dance connoisseurs as it held free training camp for street children; arranged charity event for local HIV/AIDS foundation; arranged memorial meet for renowned dance instructor and artist late Komol Sircar; sponsored workshop at Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy that was coordinated by Manipuri danseuse Kalavati Devi from India, took part in the dance ceremony of Asian Art Festival, and took part in dance events in different television channels during Eid vacation.

A number of charitable activities of Nritya Dhara included collection of fund through stage performance for ZONTA-III and the same for the ailing dance master Abul Kalam.

Honouring the media

Zia Shishu Academy presents an inspiring cultural show

CULTURE DESK

T the Ball Room of Hotel Sheraton, Zia Shishu Academy arranged a cultural show on August 5, in honour of those related to the cultural and media world of the country. On behalf of the academy, its Chief Advisor and Minister for Science, Information and Communication Technology, Dr. Abdul Moyeen Khan, patron and State Minister for Finance and Planning, Shah Mohammed Abul Hossain, and patron and Member of Parliament, Hafiz Ibrahim invited iournalists from the radio, television, private TV channels and newspapers, and personalities from the cultural field of the country

The cultural programme opened with a heart-felt and inspiring patriotic song 'Paye paye chole jai Bangladesher gobhire.' Mahmud, a student of the Academy from

Chittagong, presented a wellpicked folk song, 'Shorbonasha Padma nodi tor kachhe shudhai.' A group dance on harvesting and another with the song 'Smriti jholomol shunil mather kachhe' of Runa Laila, which followed, were spectacular and rhythmic. Two solo-acting performancesone against dowry, and another against destruction of nature and environmentpointed out the two existing drawbacks of our society. The rich regional cultural heritage of Bangladesh was demonstrated by a couple of regional songs, while a song presented a promise to establish children's rights.

A discussion session followed the cultural show, in which the speakers were Professor Abdul Momin Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor of National University, State Minister S. M. Abul Hossain, and Al-haii Mohammad Mosaddek Ali, Political Secretary to the Prime Minister. In

his speech. Mosaddek Ali drew attention of parents and asked them to take care of their children so that they do not have to turn victim to social maladies like drug-addiction and terrorism. Professor Chowdhury wished that the academy would one day turn from today's 'little spark' into a 'fire-ball' of

Their presentation of a number of Hindi songs, however, did not seem to go with the spirit and purpose of the academy, which aims at preserving our cultural richness and spreading it all over the world. The academy also strives to mould today's children as a generation inspired by the spirit of education, honesty, patriotism and human values. At the same time, it pronounces its commitment to establishing children's rights by eradicating child abuse and child trafficking from the society.

Anniversary



Renowned artists perform tagore songs at Public Library auditorium in the city on August 6 in observance of the

nobel laureate's death anniversary

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Wildlife 2:30 Ei Shoptabo

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8:00 Ekushey News (English)

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CHANNEL-i

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10:00 Flop show 10:30 Channel I News 11:15 Pepsi Live Concert

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ATN BANGLA

Children: Cholo Gan Viwers opinion prog. 7:35 ATN Bangla News Mage serial: Mohine Music Time 9:35 Magazine prog: Tashery Kechokhon

10:10 Drama serial Abashese Bengali Feature Film Navoner Alo ATN Bangla News Children prog.

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BBC WORLD

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Correspondent **BBC News** Inside Enron

3:30 Lost Lake 4:00 **BBC News** 4:30 Top Gear/Bike Star 5:00 **BBC News**

5:30 This Week **HBO**

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6:30 Balto 8:00 The Godfather Part 11:30 Batteries Not Included Piranha II: The Spawning 3:45 Small Soldiers The Adventures of Rocky and Bullwinkle

Dungeons & Varsity Blues Blues Brothers 2000

Small Soldiers 4:45 **STAR MOVIES**

Passed Away 100 Days In The Jungle Blue Sky Scenes From A Mall Coffee Time Movie Stormy Monday Action Force : Bound By Honour Must See Saturday Mousehunt Saturday After Dark Top Gun Untamed Heart

STAR PLUS

Best of Chhupa Rustam Aatma Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet 9:30 Fox Kids 10:10 Hit Geet 10:25 Kya Film Kya Gee 10:30 Gurukul Ancient Wisdom of India Chakti Ka Naam

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS



EKUSHEY: 9:30 p.m. Neel towaley. Atiq returns home from jail on bail carrying on his shoulder a murder charge. Showkat sahib, father of Atiq does not believe his son who says that he never committed any murder and was falsely accused of the crime. Showkat sahib becomes too much angry and suddenly falls seriously ill. He goes in a deep coma. Watch the exciting episode which possibly reveals a secret, something which nobody



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Fox Kids

Star Superhi

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Geet Bahar

Bollywood Beats

Saturday: Dulhar

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Bollywood Beats

Saturday Special:

Khallas! Angaaray

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STAR MOVIES: 7:00 p.m. Murder in the first. A petty criminal sent to Alcatraz in the 1930s is caught attempting to make an escape. As punishment, he is put in solitary confinement. The maximum stay is supposed to be 19 days, but Henry spends years alone, cold and in complete darkness, only to emerge a madman and soon to be a murderer. The prove that Alcatraz was to blame, and that Henry should not be executed.

The Bold & The

Rendezvous With

Simi Garewal

Goosebumps

Life With Louis

World Wildest Police

The Tick

X-Men

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Big Fight

Reality Bites



PICK OF THE DAY

Dungeons & Dragons On HBO at 10:00 p.m.

In the mystical land of Izmer, a class of Mages rule by means of magic and otherworldly powers. One Mage, Profion (Jeremy Irons), wants to rule the land by himself and hopes to topple the young and inexperienced Empress Savina (Thora Birch) by acquiring her mystical scepter--the key to controlling the Gold Dragons.

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NATIONAL **GEOGRAPHIC**

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People & Places Net Geo Genius Human Edge Adventure One Men of Action Saturday Unlimited N G Explorer Mummy Road Show Lights! Camera! Bugs Nat Geo Genius Earth Pulse 7:30 Adventure One Saturday Unlimited

NG Classics 11:30 HALLMARK

The Great Mom Swap Katts and Dog Ghostwriter

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10:00 Cadfael: A Morbid Taste Bones 12:00 Mcleod's Daughters **ZEE TV**

6:00 Yaadon Ke Pal Bhakti Bhav Yoga For Life 7:20 Jagran 7:50 Zee Gym 8:00 Tara Rum 8:30 Ramavan 9:00 Nick on Zee Hum Paanch 11:00 Hudd Kar Di 11:30 Zee & You 12:00 World Close Up

Antakshari 12:30 Khana Khazana 1:00 Jai Santoshi Ma 1:30 Sa Re Ga Ma Pa 3:00 Safari Nick On Zee 6:30 Nick on Zee 7:00

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