### **Exhibition**

### Art Exhibition

RECOMMENDATIONS

September 13 - 25 Charcoal, a contemporary artists' group holds an art exhibition at the Alliance Francaise gallery at Mirpur road in the city that continues daily from 4 to 8 p.m. The display was inaugurated earlier by filmstar and an United Nations, Razzak that is being participated by four artists, Zahid Mustafa, Mokhlesur Rahman, Ashok Karmakar and Hiranmoy Chanda. Theme of the show is 'Unity for peace and enrichment'.

### Group art show

Sept. 07 - 16 Artistes Laila Sharmin, Bipasha Hayat, Sarkar Nahid Niazi, Asma Sultana and Nadia Anjum exhibit their works at the art gallery of the Russian Cultural Center in the city that runs daily from 3 to 8 p.m.

### Solo art exhibition

September 14 - 15 Artist Laila Sharmeen holds her solo art exhibition at Hyacinth Garden Gallery (Hse 8, Rd. 20, Sec # 4) at Uttara Model Town in the city. The exhibition remains open from 4 to 7 p.m. Inaugural ceremony takes place on September 13 at 6:00 p.m.

### Dance festival September 15-17

Nritya Dhara, a dance institution hosts 'Bangladesh Dance Festival', a 3-day event that schedules to display dance disciplines of several origins from across the country, in cooperation with the Bengal Foundation. State Minister for Cultural Affaires, Begum Selima Rahman inaugurates the festival at Bangladesh National Museum.

### Music CD launching

Sept. 14-15 Bengal Shilpalaya presents launching ceremony of two CDs, one of Nazrul songs by singer Yasmeen Mustari and the other of Raag songs by artiste Shanti Sharma. On each of the two days. the ceremonies will be followed by songs by the respective artistes. Both the events start at 7:00 p.m.

### Cinema

Eight shows, four each day, at 5, 6, 7 and 8 p.m., will be screened at the Goethe Institut at Dhanmondi in the city, of 'Shei rater kotha boltey eshechi' (Tale of the darkest night), directed by Kawsar Chowdhury, on beta format video. Entry cards are available at the institute's reception

# A social message through photos of human parts

CULTURE

Mustafa Zaman's solo exhibition opens at Zainul Gallery

FAYZA HAQ

USTAFA Zaman, who is having his solo exhibition at Zainul Gallery says, "Most of these pictures are taken from magazines which are medical journals and have been used to express the present social situation in the country. I have just taken the context and have tried to express the soul of human beings which is housed in the body. My elements are limbs, bodies and faces of human beings but my discourse is a socio-political one. I talk about the manipulators who mould us. The doctors take the place of these manipulators. The people who are being examined are the victims. Take for example this picture that is called 'The virus of abstraction'. Abstraction comes after reality and once you understand the facts of society you can go beyond that. In our particular society abstraction is being implanted like some virus as it has no meaning although one can go beyond reality.

"The body is the first step to understanding abstractions like the concept of God. Once you understand the body you can understand the soul which is abstract. In our country we do not understand the body well but go into long discourses about the soul. In this context one has the photo of a small child on whom a dab of cotton is being applied while the child cries. The concept is the child is born into a society where a virus is being implanted into him/her. The virus is an abstract concept and deals with social set of laws and regulations.

In another picture a man has a tumour on his head and something is coming out of his mouth. This too deals with "the disease of abstraction". "The man is



being affected and doctored by the social milieu. The hands around him represent social bindings. The man is trying to talk but he will not be able to articulate anything as he has been given the injection of abstraction, " the artist explains .In yet another collection of pictures the eye is treated in such a way that " it will never be able to understand reality,"as Mustafa Zaman says, " as this too has been subjected to a lot of doctoring.

Asked why he had not put pleasant images as one expects in normal art exhibitions, Mustafa Zaman says," I used to deal with figurative work in the conventional manner where it appealed to the artistic sensibility. Later I felt that the social, political and economic degradation is such that there should be a response from the artist

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who should not accept everything lying down. This response should stir people and they should wake up to realize the truth around them. The first work that I did was that I picked some photographs from a medical journal as I felt that they were enough to jolt the conscience of the people. The images show how the common man is being manipulated by adverse political and social influences to serve the ends of those in power. We see hands in various series and they carry texts to elaborate on them so that each picture has a different context. The comments are my own so that the images without the texts are meaningless.

The texts must be read to understand the underlying meaning of putting up such images that stir up the mind and soul in the context of our social

political surroundings. have classified the hands as those of the manipulators, while the victims are the common people. As man's existence is body oriented I have brought in such images as the tongue or the ear . A man needs to speak freely and hear what he wants to but that is not possible in our present existence under the prevailing circumstances. Apart from those in power, the opinions and feelings of the rest are minimized, whether it be the expression of an artist or a writer or an average thinker. The shocking images are to make people think and be aware of their rights and responsibilities."

In "The body and its marks" we see the hands of the people the artist sees as the "manipulators" who influence our thoughts and actions. Mustafa says "They are not letting us express ourselves. As a consequence there is the regimentation of our society. The people are being branded or stamped like cattle. Similarly there are the photos of the backbone and this is important as there is a saying that if a man is courageous he has a backbone and can say things in the face of adversities. The photos show two hands knocking on a lady's backbone. Here the manipulator is testing the strength of the backbone. I am just asking people to wake up to the facts of society and to take stock of his own prowess and consciousness.

On one side of the photos are parts of mannequins with scissors hanging from them. Mustafa says, "I call the tailor a 'philosopher' as we are dependent on the clothes he makes. We are very bothered about how we look and so the role of the tailor is important in our lives. We are caught up with the superficiality of our existence."

There are then the photo about the tongue under the label "A few words about the tongue".

"This is about individuality and I question if we are using our tongues to express our own thoughts rather than those of others. Our thoughts are influenced and streamlined so that we are not speaking freely. This is due to the pressure of our rulers in the past, present and future. The 'manipulators' try to change the way we think and talk," says Mustafa. "The picture also expresses the opinion that we have no choice of what we read as a lot of reading matter is censured.' Again, there are mutated

figures. These are figures of women and represent the primeval mother. Primitive religion used such figures for worship. The women are seen from the back but hey have heads with mouths and eyes as well as breasts seen in the form of lines and dots. "This is about when we lose sight of reality and get mixed up with falsehood. We see the back being mixed up with the front of the figures," says Mustafa. Next there are the photos that protest against cloning and the social conditions that encourage it. "Cloning can be used to change our society and we all know that Hitler tried this in order to produce a class that would follow his orders and regimentation," says Mustafa.

Finally we come across the photos labelled " Epic of the hands" and they are diseased as "we are not doing anything useful with them and so we are failing to express ourselves. We hide our thoughts behind masks, and use our hands to serve the powerful 'manipulators'. These are the hands of people who have nothing to say for themselves and submit to whatever power they are under.' Mustafa Zaman has used

photos to express his total disenchantment with the prevailing socio-economic and political conditions. His photos are symbols of a debased and degraded people succumbing to the dictates of authority.





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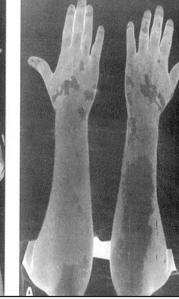
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### **BTV** 12:10p.m. News headline

**12:15** Patriotic songs 12:20 Selected songs 12:20 Selected program

1:00 News 1:30 Children's program

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5:00 News 6:00 News 7:00 News headline 8:00 News

9:00 News headline 10:00 News at ten 10:30 Jhilmil

Film Magazine 11:30 News Rang-ar-Mela (Bangla/English) 9:10 Drama serial Aradona 11:45 Closing 10:00 ATN Bangla News

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Talking Movies

**BBC News** 

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## TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS



CHANNEL-i: 6:10 p.m. Music Plus. The program is a complete compilation of musical items and related news. Several types of songs are on schedule list. Songs of favourite artiste, count down, song of the week, new artiste's song, favourite songs of audience, newly released audio cassettes, and film songs are too, presented in the program



STAR MOVIES: 9:15 p.m. Blaze. The true story of flamboyant Louisiana governor Earl Long's tempestuous affair with New Orleans stripper Blaze Starr.



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**Bollywood Beats** 

Saturday: 3.00 PM

**Bollywood Beats** 

Saturday Special:

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CHANNEL-i: 9:50 p.m. Flop show. The program presents and exposes various social themes those depict imbalance and hypocrisy. It is in fact a satire-based comedy entertainment where a number of segments have become popular to the audience. A segment shows foreign models who lip-sing Bangla numbers. Some news features are too Xena: Warrior

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Movie: Red Team

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### Chocolat

Queen of Sword

Star News English

Star Business Week

Limelight English

Star News English

Star News Hindi

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**GEOGRAPHIC** 7:00 7:30 Nat Geo Max 8:30 Sci-Files 9:30 People & Places 10:30 Net Geo Genius 11:00 Human Edge

Adventure One 11:30 Men of Action Saturday Unlimited 4:30 N G Explorer 5:30 Mummy Road Show 6:00 Lights! Camera! Bugs!

Nat Geo Genius

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Earth Pulse Adventure One Saturday Unlimited 11:30 NG Classics **HALLMARK** 

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1:00 Journey Taking a Chance on Love 5:00 Star Trek: Voyager 6:00 Mcleod's Daughters 7:00 Zelly and Me Star Trek: Voyage Cadfael : A Morbid

### **Taste Bones** 12:00 Mcleod's Daughters **ZEE TV**

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1:30 Sa Re Ga Ma Pa 3:00 Pehchaan 6:30 Cartoon On Zee (Dexter's Lab) 7:00 Cartoon On Zee (Mask) 8:00 Simply Shekhar

8:30 Saturday Live (Abhijeet) 12:00 Tele Brands

**ZEE NEWS** 6:00 News RP 6:30 Bulletin 7:00 **RPT** 7:30 Bulletin 10:00 10:30 Bulletin

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