

RECOMMENDATIONS

Hashem Khan's Solo Exhibition

September 27-October 7
Renowned artist Hashem Khan holds a solo exhibition, 'Art Fair: Six Seasons' at Shilpangan gallery at Dhanmondi in the city. The exhibition remains open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. everyday.

Photography exhibition

Sept. 21-30
Entitled 'A Glimpse of Bangladeshi Heritage', a photo exhibition of Babu Ahmed, a photojournalist, continues at the DRiK gallery at Dhanmondi in the city. The exhibition remains open everyday from 3 to 8 p.m.

Solo painting

Sept. 15-30
Artist Sadrul Hassan Rafi's solo exhibition continues at Alliance Francaise in the city and is open daily from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. & from 5 to 8 p.m. The show opens on today at 6:30 p.m.

Six celebrated artists' show

Sept. 20 Oct. 7
Akku Chowdhury hosts art exhibition of 6 celebrated artists of the country, Jamal Ahmed, Kanak Champa Chakma, Khalid Mahmud Mithu, Saidul Islam Jaise, Fareha Zeba and Nisar Hossain at La Galerie, Kemal Ataturk Avenue. The show remains open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Photography

September 25-30
Amateur photographer Mozharul Haq Monju holds a solo photography exhibition at the Fine Arts Institute in the city that displays works of the photographer framed in Keokradong around tribal families of various cast and creed. 41 photographs are scheduled for display. Monju's exhibition remains open from 3 to 7 p.m. on weekdays and from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 3 to 7 p.m. on Friday.

Cinema

Lalsalu among 15 others

Film Festival of India (IFFI) begins on October 1

PALLAB BHATTACHARYA, *New Delhi Correspondent*

Lalsalu, based on Syed Waliullah's highly-acclaimed novel by the same name, will be pitted against films like "Chandni Bar" (directed by Madhur Bhadarkar) which won a clutch of Indian national awards, including the best one for best actress Tabu, who shares the honor jointly with Shobana who plays lead role in "MitrMy Friend."

"MitrMy Friend," directed by Revathy Asha Menon, is the other Indian entry in the Asian Competition Section which offers three separate awardsthe Golden Peacock for the best film by an Asian director, silver one for the most promising Asian director and a special jury award.

Other films in the Asian competition section are from China, Iran, Israel, Japan, Egypt,

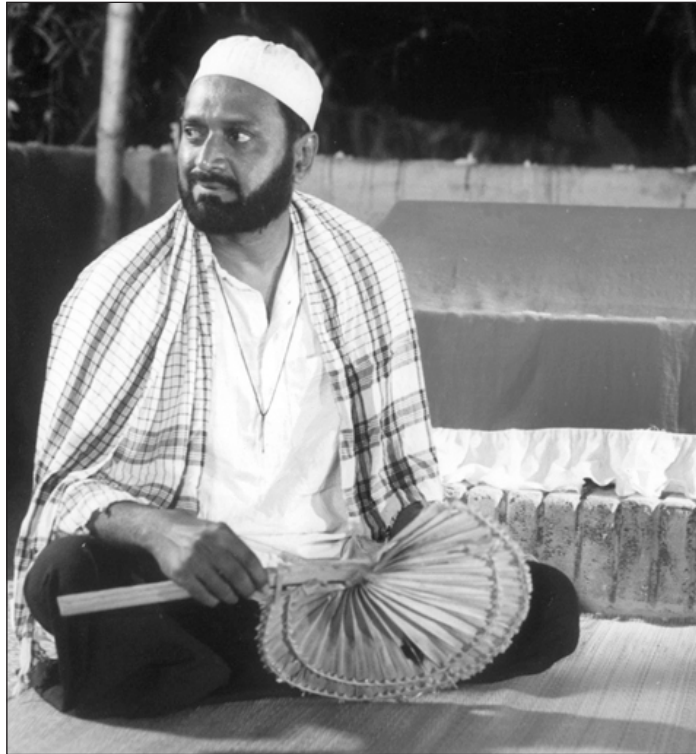
Kazakhstan, Russia, South Korea, Sri Lanka and Singapore.

Tanvir Mokammel is already a known figure in the film festival circuit in India as his previous film "Nadir Nam Madhumati" was screened in New Delhi and Trivandrum last year, and earned appreciation for its poignant depiction of the Hindu-Muslim relations in Bangladesh.

As told to this correspondent, Mokammel had been planning since long to make a film out of Waliullah's classic novel.

The films in the competitive section will be judged by a five-member jury headed by veteran Bengali director Buddhadeb Dasgupta. Other members of the panel are Kalpana Lajmi of India who directed Hindi film "Rudaali," Yves Thoraval of France, Kianoosh Ayyari of Iran and Kim Dong Ho of South Korea.

A highlight of the ten-day



Lalsalu

International Film Festival of India, being held after a break of two years, will be the focus on seven films made on Sarat Chandra Chatterjee's novel "Devdas" since 1935 till to date, including the first in Bengali by Pramathesh Barua and the latest much-hyped in Hindi by Sanjay Leela Bhansali which was released in June this year.

Another big draw of the festival will be the presence of Jamuna Devi, who played the role of Parvati in the first Bengali film on "Devdas" made by Barua in 1935. She will come to the festival as a guest from Bangladesh along with her son.

The festival, to be inaugurated by melody queen Lata Mangeshkar, will include non-competitive World Cinema section featuring 65 films made in the last two years in 40 coun-

tries, a tribute to Italian actor Marcello Mastroianni, and Indian Panorama of 20 feature films among which are Mrinal Sen's latest work "Amar Bhuvan" and Buddhadeb Dasgupta's "Manda Meyer Upakhyan".

Lata Mangeshkar will be assisted by Hindi film super stars Aishwariya Rai, who plays one of the lead females roles in the latest Hindi blockbuster "Devdas" by Bhansali, and Rani Mukherjee in inaugurating the festival.

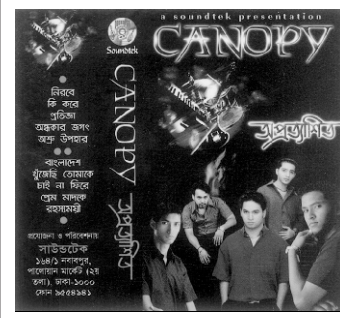
Among other films in Indian Panorama section of the festival are commercially successful Hindi work "Dil Chahta Hai" by Farhan Akhtar, "Dweepa," (by Kannada director Girish Kasaravalli), which won the national award for best feature film in July this year, and two Bengali films "Ekti Nadir Nam" (by Anup Singh) and "Hemantar Pakki" (by Urmi Chakravarty).

Music

Canopy sets in

A young musical band comes up with its first album, 'Oprottyashito'

AZIZ AMIRUL



OPROTTYASHITO, meaning unexpected, recorded by Soundtek is the title of an audio album to be released soon that of a young band, Canopy. Shams, Jonathan, Chanchal, Apu and Saif, a group of five friends, all of whom have been into various universities and colleges, found refuge to express talents with formation of the band in the city. Since 2000, the boys have been into constant practice and rendition of vocal performance with rock, alternative and metal-based compositions, those of their own.

Love, passion, frustration and patriotism become major themes of ten songs those experience inclusion in the album.

As Shams, the lead vocalist and rhythm guitarist says, Canopy intends to present something fresh in style and above all, in musical contemporary musical values. "I regard the release of this album as one of the greatest achievements in life. We hope that music lovers would appreciate our performance and as a result, Canopy would advance ahead out of inspiration and motivation of fans and patrons", Shams, who composes most of the songs of Canopy, adds with a strong belief that one day the band would be able to reach a commendable professional level.

Jonathan, who currently studies A-level under private coordination, plays the drums, feels that both the performer and the audience should have an equal degree of music sense, at respective levels. "Our audience, nowadays, are becoming great listeners and now they can analyze songs as well, are able to differentiate and distinguish qualities of individual instruments, styles and forms of band music which gives the music a great opportunity to flourish in this country", Jonathan says.

"To be honest, I never had much of interest in the arena until my interaction with some of the young men who are seriously into band

music in Bangladesh", says Apu, bassist of Canopy. As he further reveals, his biggest idols have been John Myung of Dream Theater and Steve Dorris of Iron Maiden.

Saif, lead guitarist of Canopy and a student of AMBAN, also feels great about the success of his band in bringing out an album. "I am simply in love with the sort of music we are into and I request all to love music and help us carry the performing art into a higher and better status in Bangladesh".

Chanchal, who plays keyboard for the band, seems a bit more witty than others and more straightforward in expressing his thoughts and perception on the aim and success of Canopy. "Please buy our cassette and help us attain maximum inspiration which would in turn help us move ahead in the days to come".

A couple of 'big' concerts of Canopy during the recent past include one at the Army Stadium last December, a charity for an ill Sohel Rana, besides performance at the auditorium of the Russian Cultural Center in the city. "Nirob-ey" (In silence) and "Bangladesh" are two of the more crowd-pulling numbers of Canopy, as informed by the members.



Members of Canopy

TV GUIDE

CHANNEL-i
7:00 a.m. Janala
7:20 Music Plus
7:30 Surer ananda
8:00 Drama
8:30 Aguntok
9:00 Amar cchabi
9:30 Documentary
10:00 Shilpakatha
10:30 Music Plus
11:00 Janala
11:30 Jibon jekhaney jemon
12:00 Drama
12:30 Aguntok
1:00 Amar cchabi
1:35 Songs
1:50 Bangla feature film
5:05 Documentary
5:35 Roving eye
6:10 Music Plus
6:45 Your choice ole ole
7:15 Channel I News
12:00a.m. Channel I News

ATN BANGLA
5:30 Islamic prog:
7:00 New Singer Competition
Prog: Nabin Boran
8:00 ATN Bangla News
8:25 Mega serial: Mohine
9:00 Musical prog: Surer Madure
9:35 Serial Papet show:
Advenchar of Ponudada
10:10 Musical prog: Music Time
12:00 ATN Bangla News
2:05 Musical prog: ATN Music
2:30 ATN Bangla News
Headlines
2:45 Bengali Feature Film:
Aamar Sansar
5:50 Chilren Pro: Sapla Saluk
7:00 ATN Bangla Evening
News
7:35 Mage Serial: Mohine
8:10 Reporting prog:
Ghotonar Napathee
8:35 Sutorang
9:10 Musical prog: Music Time
10:00 ATN Bangla News
10:35 Drama serial: Brether Balobasa
11:10 Musical Prog:
11:30 ATN Bangla News

BBC WORLD
6:00am BBC News
6:30 Asia
7:00 Today/Reporters
7:30 Asia Today/Asia
Business Report
8:00 BBC News
8:30 Asia
Today/Reporters
9:00 BBC News
9:30 Asia Today/Asia
Business Report
10:00 BBC News
10:30 World Business
Report
11:00 BBC News
11:30 World Business
Report
12:00pm BBC News
12:30 World Business
Report / Sports
Today
1:00 BBC News
1:30 Euro Brief
2:00 BBC News
2:30 Hardtalk
3:00 BBC News
3:30 Correspondent
4:00 BBC News
4:30 Asia Business
Report/World
Business Report
5:00 BBC News
5:30 Hardtalk

HALLMARK
12:00 a.m. The Guardian -
Episode # 13
Privilege
01:00 Lavyrie Spencer's
Home Song
03:00 To Dance With
The White Dog
05:00 Sesame Street -
Episode # 128
06:00 Hostage For A
Day
08:00 Mark Twain's
Headlines
8:10 Roughing It - Part
1
10:00 The Young Riders
- Episode # 2
11:00 Seasons Of The
Heart
01:00p.m. Touched By An
Angel VII
02:00 Sesame Street
03:00 Scholastic Clifford
03:30 Caillou - Episode
04:00 Flipper
05:00 Star Trek: Voyager
Early Edition -
Faith
07:00 Mark Twain's

09:00 Roughing It
Star Trek: Voy-
ager
10:00 Star Trek: Voy-
ager
11:00 Trial By Media
HBO
06:30a.m. Spartacus
10:15 The
Chippendales
Murders
12:00p.m. Picking Up The
Pieces
01:45 Rumpelstiltskin
03:30 The Mummy
06:00 Hell Swarm
07:45 The Corruptor
10:00 A Lesson Before
Dying: A True
Story
12:00a.m. Mercury Rising

STAR MOVIES
04:30 VI Warshawski
06:30 The Air Up There
08:30 What About Bob
10:15 Life Is Beautiful
12:15 Jack
14:15 Thank God Its
Friday
15:45 Scenes From A
Mall
17:15 Deeply
19:00 Stakeout
21:00 Mission To Mars
23:00 Gen Y Cops
STAR PLUS(INDIA)
7:30 Shaka Laka Boom
Boom
8:00 Aatma
9:00 Hit Filmein Hit
Sangeet
9:00 Fox Kids
9:30 Des Mein Nikla
Hoga Chand
10:30 Small Wonder
11:00 Hasna Mat
11:30 Meri Saahil
12:00pmShanti
12:30 Hit Filmein Hit
Sangeet
Kaahin Kissii
Roz...
1:00 Film Toppers
Kahaani Ghar
Ghar Kii
2:00 Bhabhi
KyunKi Saas Bhi
Kabhi Bahu Thi
Shagun
3:00 Kasautii Zindagi
Kay
4:00 Kumkum

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS
HBO: 6:00 p.m. **Hell swarm.** Houston Police Inspector Billy Sabbath has been convicted for killing his partner during a drug raid. However, he realizes something is fishy when his execution is staged and he is given a new identity in order to fight against the Nephilim who were an advanced race.
HALLMARK: 11:00 p.m. **Trial by media.** Vilified for a small infraction of the law, a political appointee's nomination, as well as her personal life, hang in the balance. Lissa Hughes has been nominated for Surgeon General of the United States. Her political opponents discover a small indiscretion she made years ago.
STAR MOVIES: 9:00 p.m. **Gen-Y Cops.** When brilliant Kurt, a disgruntled former designer of RS 1, steals the high-tech robot, Edison, Match, Alien and Ian must pursue him, both in reality and in the virtual world of the Internet. The agents soon discover that Kurt, employed by an international arms dealer, is planning to sell RS 1 to a wealthy Middle East buyer.

STAR WORLD
7:00 Oprah Winfrey Show
8:00 Da Vincis Inquest
9:00 Nash Bridges
10:00 Traders
11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show
12:00pm Worlds wildest Police Videos
1:00 Caroline In The City
1:30 The Bold & The Beautiful
2:00 Hollywood Squares
2:30 Family Ties
3:00 Baywatch
4:00 The Simpsons
4:30 Cheers
5:00 Starnews Asia
5:30 Frasier
6:00 That 70s Show
6:30 Everybody Love Raymond
6:55 Starnews Update
7:00 Dharma & Greg
7:30 Becker
8:00 Boston Public
9:00 Frasier
9:30 That 70s Show
10:00 Dharma & Greg
10:30 Everybody Love Raymond
11:00 Backer

PICK OF THE DAY
On HBO at 10:00 p.m.
Based on Ernest J Gaines' best-selling novel of heartwarming true story set in late 40's rural town of Louisiana where a 21 year old plantation worker, Jefferson is wrongly accused of killing a store owner. He is sentenced to death after his white attorney equates him with a lowly hog to indicate he didn't have the sense to know what he was doing. To the same town a well-spoken black teacher, Grant Wiggins returns to his roots to try and make a difference to the lives of the young children there.

STAR NEWS
8:30 Breakfast News English
8:00 Breakfast News Hindi
8:30 Breakfast News English
9:00 Breakfast News Hindi
9:30 Star News English
10:00 Star News Hindi
10:30 Star News English
11:00 Star News Hindi
11:30 Star News English
12:00pm Star News Hindi
1:00 Star News Hindi
1:30 Star News English
2:00 Star News Hindi
6:30 Bollywood News
7:00 Star Bazaar Hindi
7:30 Saat Bajee Hindi
8:00 Star Kheel
8:30 Tonight At 8
9:00 Star Samachar
9:30 Star News English
10:00 Star Business News
10:30 Star Newshour
11:30 Star News English
12:00am Sports Tonight
CHANNEL [V]
8:00 [V] Back To Back
8:30 [V] Jumpstart
9:30 [V] Hit Machine
10:00 [V] Back To Back

11:30 On The Edge
12:30pmJamu
1:00 Wild
2:30 Nat Geo Max
3:30 Scientific American Frontiers
4:30 People & Places
5:30 Croc Chronicles
6:00 Mission Wild
6:30 Dogs With Jobs
7:00 Earth Pulse
7:30 On The Edge
8:30 Wild
9:30 Nat Geo Max
10:30 Scientific American Frontiers
11:30 People & Places
AXN TV
6:30 Movie: The Juror
8:30 Xcalibur
9:30 Seven Days/Parker Com
10:30 Andromeda Double Helix
11:30 The Immortal Studio
12:30 Who Dares Wins
1:30 Seven Days
2:30 Movie: The Juror
4:30 The Green Hornet
5:30 Who Wares Wins
6:30 Xcalibur
7:30 The Immortal Flight
8:30 Prime Zone
9:30 X Zone Fear Factor
10:30 Danger Zone Movie: Britannic
ZEE TV
7:00 Yoga For Life
7:20 Jagran
7:50 Zee Gym & Eat Healthy
8:20 News
8:30 Ardhangani
8:45 Yaadein Radio Ceylon Ki
9:00 Cartoon On Zee
9:30 Cartoon On Zee
10:30 Hum Paanch
11:00 Kithe Kool Hain Hum
12:00 Amanat
12:30 Kittie Party
1:00 Love Marriage
1:30 Koi Apna Sa
2:30 Koi Apna Sa
3:00 Baat Ban Jaaye
3:30 Cartoon On Zee
7:00 Cartoon On Zee
8:00 Kitee Kool Hain Hum
8:30 Kammal
9:00 Aati Rahengi Baharein

9:30 Love Marriage
10:00 Kohi Apna Sa
10:30 Kittie Party
11:00 Kaarvan Kismat Ka
11:30 Lipstick
12:00 Tele Brands
ZEE NEWS
6:30 Bulletin
7:00 RPT
7:30 Bulletin
10:00 RPT
10:30 Bulletin
12:00 Dream Destination
12:30 Bulletin
12:57 Manoranjan
1:00 RPT
1:30 Beyond Headlines
2:00 Bulletin
2:57 Manoranjan
3:00 Bulletin
4:00 RPT
4:30 Bulletin
4:57 Manoranjan
5:00 Inside Story
5:30 Bulletin
6:00 RPT
6:30 Zee Business
6:57 Manoranjan
7:00 Bulletin
7:30 News At 7
8:00 Zee Business
8:30 News At 8
9:00 Metro News
9:30 News At 9
10:00 Prime Time
10:30 ISS Waqt
11:00 Din Bhar
11:30 World View
11:57 Manoranjan

6:00 News In Bengali
6:30 Bideshini Bodhu
7:00 Ek Palak
7:30 Talk Jhaal Misti
8:00 Pratibimba
8:30 Ek Akasher Niche
9:10 Ananya
9:50 Spandan
10:30 News In Bengali
11:00 Ek Palak
11:30 Nayantara
12:00 Ebar Jombe Mawja
ZEE MUSIC
6:30 Music Box
7:30 Sizzlers
8:00 Music Box
8:30 Best of the Best
9:30 Hit Pe Hit
10:30 Hit Mix
11:00 Zee Music Plus
12:00 Dil Se
12:30 Hit Pe Hit
1:30 Music Box
2:00 Jharokha
2:30 Tara Rum Pum
3:30 Artist of the Foringht
4:00 Zee Music Box
5:00 Dil Se
5:30 Hit Mix
6:00 Zee Music Plus
7:00 Artist of the Foringht
7:30 Zee Music Box
8:00 Music. Com
9:30 Sizzlers
10:00 Compact Disc
10:30 Jharokha
11:00 Zee Music Box
11:30 Phoren Maal
CNBC
7:30 Taking Stock
9:00 Meet the Press
9:30 MF Investor
1:00 The Classroom
6:00 Managing India
11:00 Managing India
DISCOVERY
9:30 Lonely Planet V
10:30 Classic Discovery
12:30 Wedding Story
1:30 Wild Discovery
2:30 Funniest Animals
3:00 Barking Mad
3:30 Splat!
4:00 Animal Bites
4:30 Extreme Machines
5:30 Lonely Planet V
6:30 Funniest Animals
7:00 Barking Mad
7:30 Wild Discovery
9:30 Classic Discovery
10:30 On the Inside