

RECOMMENDATIONS

THE KALIMA TAYEBA

November 01-15

Entitled, 'The Kalima Tayeba', a painting exhibition of eminent artist Murtaza Baseer begins at the gallery of Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy in the city and remains open every day from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and during Ramadan till 4:00 p.m.

Solo art exhibition

October 29 November 07

Painter Javed Jall hosts a 10-day solo exhibition titled, 'BLACK LINE', at Shilpangan gallery (R# 5, Hse # 25, Dhanmondi R/A.) in the city that has been inaugurated by Andre Raynouard, Cultural Counsellor of French Embassy in Bangladesh. Special guests cartoonist Shishir Bhattacharya and noted art and drama critic, also an internationally reputed playwright, Syed Ahmed spoke on the inaugural ceremony that was held at the venue on October 29 evening. The exhibition remains open to the visitors from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. everyday.

Japanese Doll

exhibition

October 29 November 9

A Japanese doll show takes place at the Bangladesh Shishu Academy premises in observance of the ongoing Japan month in Bangladesh. The exhibition remains open from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. every day while during the Ramadan till 4:00 p.m.

Shelu Barua's

Solo Concert

November 04

Vocalist Shelu Barua performs a solo musical concert, 'Nil Dhruvo Tara' at Engineer's Institution Auditorium in the city. Palli Baul Samaj Unnayan Sangstha is organizing Shelu's Concert. Most of his earlier solo concerts were staged at Hotel Sheraton Ball Room, earlier. The concert will start at 6 p.m.

Theatre

Close to perfection

Junior students of Scholastica present Shakespearean theatrical play, 'Merchant of Venice'

AZIZ AMIRUL

THE large auditorium on the first floor of the STM Hall of Scholastica at Uttara Model Town in the city was full with enthusiastic audience on November 1 who attended the last of the three theatrical shows of Merchant of Venice, based on a play of William Shakespeare that had been performed by a group of junior students of the school.

As the synopsis of the plot unfolded, Antonio's friend Bassanio appeared owing Antonio money but due to inability of repaying debts, asked Antonio for more money so he could marry the wealthy and beautiful Portia. Antonio had no money to spare but told Bassanio to use his good name to try to acquire loan.

Meanwhile Portia complained about the faults of all her past suitors and her late



Yasmeen Murshed with the performers

father's will which would choose a husband for her. Portia's father's legacy would choose Portia's husband by

means of three caskets, one in gold, and one in silver and one in lead. A suitor had to choose one of the three caskets, a pic-

ture of Portia being contained in the correct casket. Though Portia failed to receive her past suitors, she did however, remember one man quite fondly, Bassanio.

Bassanio got his loan of three thousand ducats from a Jewish merchant, Shylock. The price for not repaying the debt was high, namely a pound of flesh from Antonio.

Jessica, Shylock's daughter planned to elope with Lorenzo, her lover, against her father's wishes and revealed her annoyance for her father.

Launcelot, Shylock's former servant delivered a letter to Lorenzo from Jessica explaining that Jessica would be waiting at her house for Lorenzo and friends and that she has taken some of her father's jewels and gold as well.

Jessica thus escaped from her father's house to live a new life

as a Christian and as the wife of Lorenzo.

While, a Moroccan Prince underwent the three-casket challenge for Portia's hand in marriage, choosing the gold casket and losing.

Shylock made it clear that he no longer wanted repayment of Bassanio's debt of three thousand ducats instead preferred the flesh, hence, his death.

Bassanio arrived to court Portia who is reluctant to never see Bassanio again should he fail the casket challenge. Bassanio took the challenge, choosing correctly. Bassanio would marry Portia and it was revealed that Gratiano, Bassanio's friend, had fallen in love with Nerissa, Portia's maid and so another marriage was on the way.

Portia and Nerissa left Belmont on a secret mission to save Antonio, disguising themselves as men. The Duke of Venice attempted to convince Shylock to let Antonio pay back Bassanio's debt. Shylock refused. Portia, now disguised as a man, defended Antonio, winning his life, through the defense that Shylock could take only a pound of flesh and no more, a clearly impossible task, without shedding a drop of blood. Furthermore she argued that Shylock had conspired to murder, an offense that was punishable by asset confiscation and death. A compromise, whereby Shylock must become Christian and give half his assets to Jessica when he dies, was reached. Portia ensured that Shylock would sign a deed making the verdict binding. Gratiano met Portia and gave her Bassanio's ring. Nerissa told Portia she too would get the ring of her husband. Portia resigned



Shylock (L) and a character from the play

herself to making both men regret their rash action.

Portia and Nerissa returned to Belmont before Bassanio, Antonio, Gratiano and their followers, all of who had been unaware that it was Portia and Nerissa who defended them in Venice. The plot came to an through some happy conclusions.

Various roles were played by Nagib Ahmed, Slaman Rashid, Shama Islam, Shafaq Abbas, Samiul Karim, Azwad Aniq, Mayeesha Rabbani, Samrana Arefeen, Rezwana Islam, Simoona Farya Rahman, Salman Habib, Wajid al Rahman, Nabeera Rahman, Samira Tahseen and others whose fine performance were simply a joy to watch. It was a pleasant surprise to discover some matured accomplishment of the students.

As Yasmeen Murshed, who heads the Management Board of the school, spoke about her

feelings on the event, said, 'It is our great pleasure to be able to witness a wonderful performance of one of the famous creations of William Shakespeare, from our young students'. As she further added, it remained a difficult task on the part of children to perform a play of Shakespeare and more-over a serio-comic play like 'Merchant of Venice'.

'I thank the theatrical directors of Scholastica, Azad Abul Kalam, Mukul Zakir Ahmed and Toufiqul Islam, under whose able leadership and teachings, the children could perform well', said Yasmeen Murshed.

Theatrical performance has been a regular extra-curricular activity of the students and presently, as the Management informed, it has become a special routine act when the students carried on with it at their own auditorium at frequent intervals and throughout the year.

TV GUIDE

BTV

12:10p.m. News headline

12:15 Patriotic songs

12:20 Selected program

12:45 Azan

1:00 News

2:00 News headline

3:00 News

4:00 News

4:30 Aker shongbadpotro

4:35 Debate

5:00 News

6:00 News

7:00 News headline

7:05 Weather

8:00 News

8:30 Drama serial

9:00 News headline

10:00 News at ten

11:30 Khabar / News

CHANNEL-i

7:00a.m. Prothom Sur

9:00 Documentary

9:30 Saat ronger mela

10:00 Music Plus

10:40 kothay kothay

11:25 Flop show

12:00p.m. Drama serial

1:00 Na bola kotha

2:00 Bangla feature film

5:05 Documentary

5:35 Alokito Bangladesh

6:10 Music Plus

6:45 Songs

7:15 Channel I News

7:45 Telequiz

7:50 Unnayan manusher jonnyo

8:25 Drama serial

9:00 Channel I News

9:30 Shongbadpotrey Bangladesh

9:40 Telequiz

10:00 Drama serial

10:25 Channel I Mobile quiz

10:30 Channel I News

11:15 Amar chhobi

12:00a.m. Closing

ALPHA TV BANGLA

12:00a.m. Parasuramer Kutur

2:30 Chena Mukh Achena

3:00 Aanyaa Bangla

3:30 Mon Niye

4:00 Gandharbi

4:30 Bichitra

5:00 Goyenda Paribar

5:30 Arghya (Bangla)

6:00 Mathe Maidane (Ben)

6:30 Bhalobasa

7:00 Aalaap Bengali Spl

7:30 Purobi Bangla

8:00 Gaan Unltd. (Bengali)

8:30 Bharat Bhraman

9:00 Hyar Majhe

9:30 Saptahik Bhagya

10:00 Saal No. Atmahatya

10:30 Nilu Hazrat Hatya

11:00 Rahasya

11:30 Bhramankache

12:00p.m. Swapnoneel

12:30 Goyenda Paribar

1:00 Saregama (Bangla)

2:00 Prem Pujari Bangla

4:30 Saptahik Bhagya

5:00 Mathe Maidane (Ben)

5:30 News In Bengali

6:00 De Ray

6:30 Googly

7:00 Pochhondo -

Teetehobi (Bangla)

8:40 Saal No. Atmahatya

9:20 Nilu Hazrat Hatya

10:00 Rahasya

10:30 News In Bengali

10:30 Ek Palak (Exposure)

11:00 De Ray

11:30 Abisasya

12:00p.m. ZEE TV

12:00a.m. Jeena Isi Ka Naam

1:00 Hai (Talk Show)

2:00 Hamare Tumhare (R)

2:30 Simply Shekhar

3:00 Goonji Uthi Shekhar

5:00 News In Hindi

5:30 Yaadon Ke Pal

6:00 Bhakti Bhav

6:30 Shanti Sandesham

7:00 Jagran

8:00 Cartoon On Zee

8:00 (Pinky & Brain)

8:30 Cartoon On Zee (Tom & Jerry Kids)

9:00 Ramayan

10:00 Thief Of Baghdad

11:00 Jeena Isi Ka Naam

11:00 Hai (Classics)

12:00p.m. Khana Khazana

12:30 Zee & You

1:00 Thursday Premier

Trailers

Countdown Show

(Ziv)

Tezaab

Cartoon On Zee

(Scooby & Scrappy

Doo)

6:30 Cartoon On Zee

(Powerpuff Girls)

Aa Gale Lag Jaa

Kammal

8:00 Aati Rahengi

Baharein

9:00 Love Marriage

Kohi Apna Sa

10:00 Kitti Party

10:30 Archana Aa-Haa

11:00 Lipstick

11:30 Tele Brands

ZEE CINEMA

(+ 30 mins)

1:00a.m. Agar

3:30 Yaadein Radio

Ceylon Ki

Kuch Lamhe Kuch

Nagme

4:00 Rakhi Aur Rifle

6:30 Dadamoni (A Tribute

To The Legend

7:00 Bharat Milap

10:00 Men Bwi Ki Shaadi

1:00p.m. Gardish (Movie)

4:30 Top Of The Tops

5:00 Angaar

8:30 Ikke Pe Ikka

9:00 Barsaat (Zcn)

HALLMARK

01:00a.m. A Mother's Gift

03:00 Incident In A Small

Town

05:00 Sesame Street -

Episode # 32

06:00 Red Sneakers

08:00 Katts And Dog-

Episode # 16 Comedy

Of Errors

08:30 Ghostwriter - Episode

10 To Catch A

Creep Pt. 1

09:00 Sesame Street -

Episode # 32

10:00 Scholastic Clifford

The Kibbles

10:30 Crook/Screaming For

Ice Cream

11:00 Caillou - Episode # 40

Out Of Time

11:00p.m. Shattered Family

03:00 Hot Money

05:00 The Guardian -

Mother's Of The

Disappeared

06:00 Star Trek: Voyager -

Episode # 15 Jetrel

07:00 The Seventh Stream

The Guardian -

Mother's Of The

Disappeared

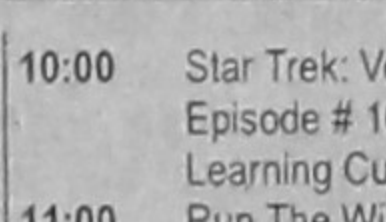
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HALLMARK: 7:00 p.m. *The Seventh Stream*. A mysterious woman, discovered to be a "selkie" or a seal with human form, brings luck and happiness to kindhearted Quinn, an Irish widower, but discord to the fishing village in which he lives. Ultimately, Quinn must decide whether to grant her freedom by returning her sealskin, or selfishly claim her as his own.



HALLMARK: 11:00 a.m. *Out Of Time*. Jack Epton, a good-natured man involved in the community, drinks from a magical spring and falls asleep for twenty years. When he awakens, Jack is in the presence of the town's founding fathers who want him to save their town from a greedy developer.



10:00 Star Trek: Voyager - Episode # 16

Learning Curve

11:00 Run The Wild Fields

STAR MOVIES

00:45 Possessed

02:45 Maze

04:30 Renegades

06:15 Working Girl

08:15 Ground Control

10:00 Here On Earth

11:45 Looking For An Echo

13:30 Jack

17:15 Someone Like You

19:00 U-571

21:00 Dr. Dolittle 2

22:45 Tlan A.E.

ESPN

(+ 30 mins)

01:30 Fitness America

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Vegas, NV USA (R)

Spanish Football

League 2002/03

Spanish Football

League La

Coruna, SPAIN

Deportivo Vs Real

Madrid (L)

04:00 English Premier

Football League

English Premier

Football League

2002/03 Liverpool,

ENGLAND Liverpool,

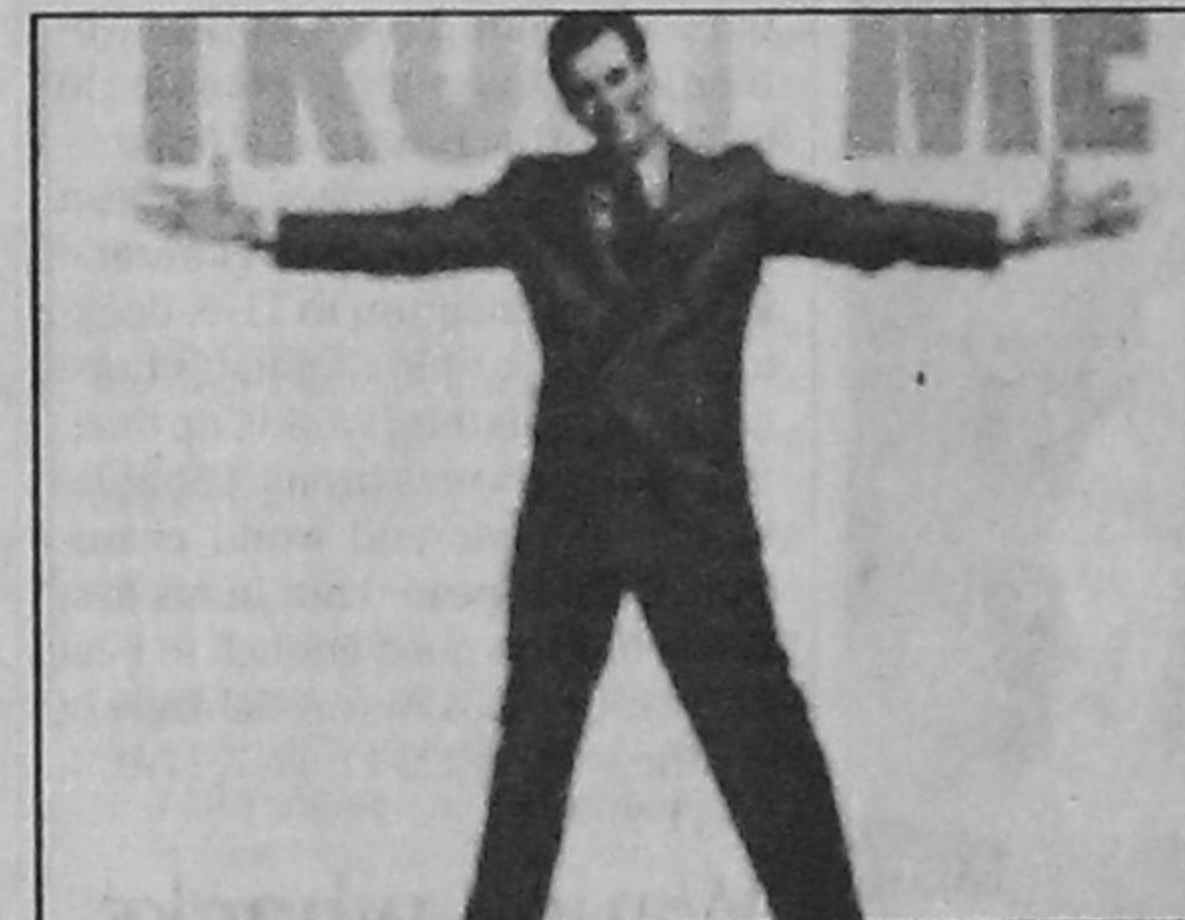
Vs West Ham United

(S)

06:00 English Premier

Football League

Weekly #8 (T)



Liar Liar

On HBO at 9:15 p.m.

Motor-mouth lawyer and perpetual liar (even his son can't tell the difference), Fletcher makes his luxurious living by twisting the truth out of shape and to his advantage in and out of the courtroom. He makes friends by flattering them, and business partners by sleeping with them.

18:00 Sportscenter

Sportscenter Weekend

(T)

18:05 Super Sunday

Preview(L)

19:25 English Premier

Football League English

Premier Football

League 2002/03

London, ENGLAND

Tottenham Hotspur Vs

Chelsea (L)