RECOMMENDATIONS

Solo Water Colour Exhibition November 15-22

Artist S. Helaluddin holds a solo watercolour painting exhibition at Divine Art Gallery at Pan Pacific Sonargaon Hotel in the city. The show remains open everyday from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and is open

Begum Selima Rahman, State Minister, Cultural Affaires, earlier inaugurated the exhibition with the presence of H.E. Hu Qian Wen, Chinese Ambassador in Bangladesh and artist Mahmudul Haque who presided over the

Leonid Meteor Shower Camp

November 19 A unique event that of meteor shower observation will be held after midnight, from 2:00 a.m. till before sunrise, upon the deck of M.V. Abashar, a cruise launch on river Shitalakhya and Meghna.

The event is being organised by Bangladesh Astronomical Association and The Guide Tours Ltd. Interested persons are requested to contact at phone no:

Photography

November 17 December 02 Dr. Pierre Claquin holds a solo photography show titled, 'Surviving Dreams: The struggling circuses of Bangladesh', at the gallery of Alliance Française de Dhaka in the city that remains open from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. everyday.

Surya Utsav

December 29 January 02 Bangladesh Astronomical Association arranges one of its annual events, Surya Utsav (Sun Festival) as the organisation aims at showing the participants, several exciting matters including the first sunrise of the year 2003, cultural ceremony of the indigenous people of the area, Keokradang at Bandarban district, Pitha festival and observation of the night sky through telescope. Interested persons are requested to register names within November 30 at the office of Bangladesh Astronomical Association 1/3, Block-E, Lalmatia Dhaka Ph: 0171-187555.

Interview

Angst-ridden young ones, with an avant-garde interpretation of life

John Osborne comes to town with Ashish Khondker's cast at Alliance Française

FAYZA HAQ

ITH a handful of young part time thespians, Ashish Khondker had recently brought John Osborne's masterpiece, "Look Back in Anger"(1956) to the stage enthusiasts at Alliance Française. This production will be presented in the city on a larger scale in the near future. Although with limited experience and somewhat short in suavity but naturally, the play managed to present the frustration of the post World War 11 generation with a decisive message. On three occasions, the audience remained spellbound with the avant-garde play with minimal use of props, lighting and costumes. Talking about the plot of the play

Ashish Khondker said," since this is a well-known play even here in the city, as it is taught at various levels at the schools and the DU, and is still relevant although it was written after the world War 11. The action of the play takes place in the Midlands, UK. It deals with the social problems of the time in which it was set in. It describes the impact of the war on the man-woman relationships. They begin to develop their own individualities and are overtly aware of their own psyches and side by side come the anxiety, frustration and a crisis which could even be seen as sociopolitical one. The person, despite having family is portrayed as an individual with his/her own aspirations, failures and success. The post-colonial problems are included where the element of choosing one's own husband or wife surface with a bang. Capitalism does not necessarily help the people in England develop their own individuality without slings and arrows of life.

The protagonists are portrayed as sharing the accommodation due to the hip-pocket nerve. Thus there is the couple, Alison and Jimmy Porter, the latter being of 25 years but intellectually inclined, and the former coming from the upper strata of the then bourgeoisie. Meanwhile



Ashish Khondker with his caste of "Loook Back in Anger"

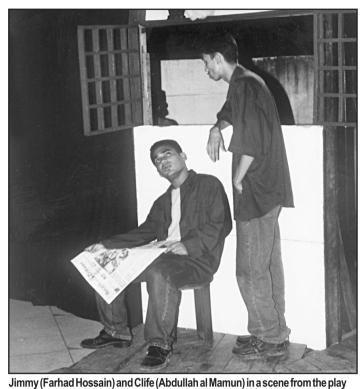
Alison's father once belonged to Maharashtra's army in India ,before 1947 is a misfit as he does not get the 'salaams' as a white man once got in the British Empire when had then waned drastically. He and his wife still belong to the Edwardian days, mentally i.e. when life had been cushioned with innumerable

"Meanwhile, Alison's tastes go after her own parents. She thus has problems of co-habitation with Jimmy, who originally comes from the working class. "Although he excels in music, having a jazz band of his own in his university days, he cannot always please or satisfy his wife. The reality is such that it prevents him from making a name for himself as an artiste. He is naturally disappointed and angry with the world around him. During the post marital days the honey has naturally

run out of the moon and discontentment has crept into their anti romantic mundane co-existence. As they cannot afford their every day expenditure they have taken in a boarder who origins from Wales. There is then a triangle in which Jimmy's love for Allison remains one which is that of an introvert and consequently he cannot communicate with his wife any longer. Whatever the third person, Jimmy's friend, Clife Lewis, does is not conscious and it is done spontaneously. Many women are a part of Jimmy's life, including the other young woman, who is helping him set up a pastry shop. However, this is not to say that Jimmy has no character as regards women. He represents energy for the aesthetic world. The other woman that he turns too is a human being whom he turns to is just an individual whom he comes to for comfort and understanding in the absence of his own wife as he is isolated in his environ-

"A fourth charter, Helena, later steps into the scenario along with the young aspirants, and she used to be Allison's friend at one time. She happened to work in a travelling theatre company. Even though the relationship between Alison and Helena used to be what we see in our own suburbs which we know as 'chava mava' and they had their secrets in each other's pockets. after Allison's marriage the situation changed drastically and Helena comprehended Jimmy's pulse beats as his own wife couldn't and had reverted to an Ibsen's Nora's ("A Doll's House") act of apparent desertion. A type of bondage develops between Helen and Jimmy, who, says at one point ,that the people who died in the 30s and 40s had made a tremendous sacrifice which had a purpose which was missing in the post war generation. It is only natural that what ensues is that the two then live together. He complains, at one point, that there is no socio-political or economic development and declares his generation to be one of total frustration and futility. In the interim period, Helen's psychological level is such is somehow on par with that of Jimmy. In the finale Alison returns because Jimmy cannot really begin life afresh with his newly founded amorous interest. She had felt a child within her through Jimmy, according to the original script, which symbolizes the step to new hopes and aspirations. However the child does not see the light of day. In the last sequence Helen disappears

from Jimmy's life. "Earlier, the mother-in-law had tried to play mother to Jimmy but failed even though she had once invested the money for Jimmy's bakery in the Midlands. She, in turn, had entered the scene with the excuse that she had just arrived in UK and had no accommodation in the Midlands as she wanted to be



India Best Of The Day

INDIA India Vs West

By Mercedes-Benz

Tennis Masters Cup.

Shanghai Shanghai,

CHINA Round

Spanish League

Spanish League

Premier League

Cricket Talk Show

Harsha Online (R)

Cricket Programming

Super Selector (R)

By Mercedes-Benz

Tennis Masters Cup,

Shanghai Shanghai,

CHINA Round

Spanish League

Spanish League

Highlights (R)

Highlights 2002/03

South Africa Cricket

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South Africa Cricket

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Test, Day 2, 1st

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South Africa Cricket

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Castle Lager/Mtn Test

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Robin(S)

Tennis Masters Series

Preview (T)

Highlights (T)

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STAR SPORTS

invested her savings.

"Thus the play is both romantic and anti-romantic. Many conflicts take place in the domestic drama and yet amour survives through all the slings and arrows. Jimmy's dialogues naturally stress on the theme of the play and one can read this as being very relevant to our own present society where an artiste is often discredited and misunderstood: it is not necessary that even a very talented artiste will be lauded in Bangladesh today. Jimmy is a misfit even though he comes from a good family and one would think that such a person would be automatically accepted by those around him. Around him hypocrisy prevails as Alison's mother had a hard time accepting Jimmy just because he did not belong to the upper echelons of his society. Following the essence of this play many other plays have been

written since then: such is its impact. This play is therefor a cue point after which the ornamental character of British theatre subsided and one should say that Osborne opened new avenues in the theatre and cinema

world with decisiveness.' Khondker added about the making of the play," Osborne's 'Look back in Anger' is very relevant for our own social contemporary urban living. I felt a deep connection with society secretive contents which matched those found in Osborne's play. This play presentation was conceived gradually. I felt that everywhere human instincts control them or convert them in some manner. In reality there is a biological machine in the play that crosses cultural boundaries and has the same essence. One must comprehend the universal scenario and

comprehend the dream-like slow progress of the play where everyone tries to achieve his own individual identity. In the play each character attempts to achieve his own individual identity and they continue their struggle with fixed rules of their own. The play carries a global message that human relation in capitalism in socio-economic isolation. The message of the play conveys love, passion, illusions and discontentment. Here east meets west in the play where Jimmy Porter is the angry young man who is unable to reconcile himself to his environment and to the people around him.

Speaking about his cast, Khondker said that it included Forhad Hossain Shawon, Ashish Khondker, NM Abdullah Al-Mamun, Nizam Zahan Chowdhury Liton, Hazer Sultana Kochi, Shama Islam Khan Shawon, Mohammed Amin and Savedul Islam Shopon. It was brave of Khondker to have presented Osborne's interpretation of life, a play of such gravity, with a handful of part-time and inexperienced non-professionals. His earlier environmental plays have won many accolades and he hopes to make play on Lalbagh Fort, when and if he gets permission from the authorities. Khondker is trained in the theatre world from the National School of Drama, New Delhi, India, and has been teaching acting for the last 10 years. His perennial problems remain the lack of funds and the backing of patrons The cast belonged to his "Space and Acting Research Centre" (SARC) which is a well-known theatre organization based in Dhaka and founded in 1991. It is involved with contemporary theatre practices, research and performance according to both oriental and western cultural anthro-

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Gharwali Uparwali

Chhupe Chehre

Hukumat

Sea Hawks

Zubeidaa

Aai Ki Baat

STAR GOLD

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Hit Filmein Hit Sangee

Kyun Hota Hai Pyarrı

Kya Film Kya Geet

Musafir Hoon Yaaron

Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet

Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet

Baba Taraknath

Geet Gata Cha

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TV GUIDE

BTV 12:00p.m. Opening 12:10 News headline

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6:10 Chittagong BTV 6:35 News headline (English) 7:05 Weather 7:10 Asia this week 7:30 Songs News (Bangla)

8:30 Magazine 9:00 News headline 9:30 Bangla-r mukh 10:00 News at ten 10:25 News feature 10:30 Samakalin orthoniti 10:35 Talk show 11:15 Khabar / The News 11:45 Closing

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Asia Today (r)

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News In Bengali

Moiar Khela Kobitae

Saregama (Bangla)

Saat No. Atmahatya

Nilu Hazrar Hatya

News In Bengal

Ek Palak (Exposure)

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10:00 **BBC News** 10:30 Fast Track (r) 10:45 Holiday (r) (+ 30 mins) 11:00 **BBC News** 12:00a.m. Sister (Bangla) 11:30 Talking Movies (r) 2:30 Arghya (Bangla) 12:00 **BBC News** Nijei Nayak (Bangla) 12:30 Europe Direct (r) 3:30 Pratibimba (Bangla) 13:00 Ek Akasher Niche Click Online (r) 13:30 4:30 Ananya (Bangla) 14:00 **BBC News** 5:00 14:10 Correspondent 5:30 Daibaddho (Bangla) 15:00 **BBC News** 6:00 Swapnoneel 15:10 Great Railway 6:30 Nijei Nayak (Bangla) Journeys 7:00 Aalaap Bengali Spl 16:00 **BBC News** 7:30 Purobi Bangla 16:30 Top Gear (r) 8:00 Gaan Unltd. 17:00 **BBC News** (Bengali) 17:30 This Week **Bharat Bhramar** 8:40 18:00 **BBC News** 9:00 Bhalo Bhasha 18:10 Correspondent (r) (Bangla) 19:00 **BBC News** 9:30 Agni Yuger Padatik Trouble At The Top 10:00 Mon Nive 20:00 **BBC News** 10:30 Daibaddho (Bangla) 20:30 Correspondent (r) 11:00 Googly 21:00 **BBC News** 11:30 Spandan Great Railway 12:00p.m. Ananya (Bangla) Journeys (r) 12:30 Aanvaa Bangla 22:00 **BBC News** 1:00 Ek Akasher Niche Wheels (r) 22:30

> **BBC News ZEE CINEMA** (+ 30 mins)

1:00a.m. Mandi Kuch Lamhe Kuch Nagme Yaadein Radio Cevlon Ki 4:00 Pujarin Top Of The Tops 6:30 7:00 Bal Bhairav 10:00 Ghar Ghar Ki Kahani 1:00p.m. Viewers Choice 4:30 Ikke Pe Ikka 5:00 Anari 8:30 Yaadein Radio Ceylon Ki 8:45 Kuch Lamhe Kuch Nagme

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ZEE TV 12:00a.m. Ramavan Thief Of Baghdad Simply Shekhar 2:00 2:30 Jhoola (B/W) 5:00 News In Hindi 5:30 Yaadon Ke Pal 6:00 Bhakti Bhav 6:30 Yoga For Life 6:50 Zee Gym

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Bhagwat Katha (Ztv)

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS HALLMARK: 1:00 p.m. Frankie & Hazel



Frankie's mother was a world famous ballering who was killed in a car accident when Frankie was only two. Since then Frankie has been raised by her grandmother who pushes her very hard to also be a ballerina. Frankie has the natural ability, but maybe she doesn't have the drive.



HBO: 10:00 a.m. Rumpelstiltskin. The City of Angels is about to have a visitor. Rumplestiltskin. After an outer-body experience, the children's fairy tale classic lives, imprisoned in a small jade figurine, which finds its way into a witches shop. But he won't be locked up for long, his savior has come in the form of a woman



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A hotel owner is discovered dead, but then his "double" is seen shortly thereafter. The Taggart team is looking into this strange occurrence when they are then called in to infiltrate the shadowy world of underground illegal immigration,

Tarunsagar Van (Ztv) Cartoon On Zee (Flintstones) Cartoon On Zee (Jetsons) **Hum Paanch** Sound Of Music

(Zee Tv) 11:30 Top Of The Tops 12:00p.m. Rishtey The Love **Stories** 1:00 Sa Re Ga Ma Pa 2:30 Julie Cartoon On Zee 6:00 (Dexter'S Lab) 6:30 Cartoon On Zee (Mask) 7:30 Simply Shekhai 8:00 Kunwara (Zcn-Govinda) 11:00 Weekend Cinema Tele Brands

11:30 **HBO** 06:30a.m. The Kiss 08:30 Balto Rumpelstiltskin 10:00 11:45 Over The Top 01:45p.m. Sleepy Hollow All The Pretty Horses 06:15 Lost Voyage 08:15 Problem Child 2 Excess Baggage 10:00

12:00a.m. Night of the Creeps

HALLMARK

HALLMARK: 11:00 p.m. Long time dead.

01:00a.m. The Infinite World Of H.G. Wells - Part #3 03:00

Murder Among Friends 05:00 Sesame Street -Episode # 45 06:00 John John In The 08:00 Katts And Dog -Episode # 19 The Candidate 08:30 Ghostwriter -Episode # 13 To Catch A Creep Pt. 4 Sesame Street Episode # 45 Scholastic Clifford Forgive & Forget/Mimi Back In 10:30 Caillou - Episode # 13 11:00 The Other Side Of 01:00p.m. Frankie & Hazel Charms For The Easy Life Mcleod's Daughters li - Three's A Crowd 06:00 Star Trek: Voyager -

Episode # 28

The Seventh Stream

Mcleod's Daughters

li - Three's A Crowd

Star Trek: Voyager -

Resistance

07:00

PICK OF THE DAY



Excess Baggage On HBO at 10:00 p.m.

A crash course in kidnapping, car thefts and other rituals of dating. Yes, it's an offbeat adventure about a poor little rich girl and the car thief who steals her heart. Desperate for attention, Emily Hope stages her own kidnapping.

Prototype 11:00 Taggart: Long Time Dead

Episode #29

STAR MOVIES 12:30a.m. How To Marry A

Billionaire 02:30 Silent Fall 04:30 Space Marines 06:30 100 Girls 08:30 Bootmen After Dark, My Sweet 12:00p.m. 100 Girls

3:30 Ace Ventura: Pet Detective 5:15 Devil In A Blue Dress 7:00 U-571 9:00 Highway To Hell

Maze

ESPN (+ 30 mins) 03:00

1:45

Here We Go (R) 04:30 Sportscenter Bristol, CT USA (L) In The Driver'S Seat Monster Trucks Indianapolis, IN USA Sportscenter Hindi (R) **English Premier** Football League Epl Big Red Replay

Middlesbrough.

Middlesbrough Vs

ENGLAND

Liverpool (R)

Nba Action (T) Nba Basketball 09:00 Phoenix, AZ USA Houston Rockets Vs Phoenix Suns (L)

11:30 Goals! (R) 12:00 Spanish League Highlights 2002/03 Spanish League Highlights (R) 12:30 Pakistan Tour Of Zimbabwe Zim Sun Test Series Harare. ZIMBABWE Zimbabwe Vs Pakistan 1st Test, Day 4, Highlights(R)

13:20 Pakistan Tour Of Zimbabwe Zim Sun Test Series Bulawayo, ZIMBABWE Zimbabwe Vs Pakistan 2nd Test. Day 1, 1st Session(L) Cricket Programming Super Selector (R) Pakistan Tour Of 16:00 Zimbabwe Zim Sun

Test Series Bulawayo. ZIMBABWE Zimbabwe Vs Pakistan 2nd Test. Day 1, 2nd & 3rd Session(L) 20:30 Nba Action (R) Cricket Programming

Legends Of Cricket (R) Cricket Programming 23:00 Legends Of Cricket (R)

West Indies Tour Of

Castle Lager/Mtn Test Series Centurion SOUTH AFRICA South Africa Vs Sri Lanka 2nd Test, Day 2, 2nd & 3rd Session(L) 21:00 West Indies Tour Of India Best Of The Day Ahmedabad, GU INDIA India Vs West Indies 4th Odi. Highlights(S) Sachin Tendulkar

Sachin Tendulkar (R) STAR WORLD (+ 30 mins) 00:00 World's Wildest Police Videos

Vs... Presented By

Tennis Masters Series 02:00 Cops 02:30 Morris Cerullo 03:00 **Exalted Word** 03:30 Creflo Dollar 04:00 World News 04:30 Viper 05:30

Water Rats 06:30 The Simpsons 07:00 Malcolm In The Middle 07:30 Here We Go! English Beautiful

The Bold & The Rendezvous With Simi Garewal 10:00 Travel Asia 10:30 Goosebumps

11:00 Life With Louie 11:30 The Tick 12:00 X-Men 12:30 World's Wildest Police Videos 13:30 Viper 14:30

Baywatch 15:30 Walker, Texas Ranger 16:30 Xena: Warrior Princess 17:30 The Lost World 18:30 Mutant X 19:30 Water Rats

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STAR PLUS (+30 mins)

00:05 Gharwali Uparwali Kya Masti Kya Dhuum 01:30 Jubilee Plus 02:00 Jai Mata Ki 03:00 Hum Hai Kal Aai Kal 03:30 Krisshna Arjun 04:00 Avinash lps - 2 04:30 Sonpari 05:00 Star Bestsellers 06:00 Geet Bahar 06:30 Geet Bahar 07:00 Chupa Rustam Aatma

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Gurukul - Ancient

Film Topper - 1000

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06:30 Animal Edens 07:00 Going To Extreme 08:00 Earth Report Earth Pulse 09:00 The Fire Of Life 10:00 Nat Geo Genius 10:30 Tomorrow World 11:00 Windborn 12:00 Ben Dark's Self-Portrait 13:00 Ron Haviv 15:00 Nat Geo Frontline Diaries 16:00 Na Explorer 17:00 17:30 18:00

Nat Geo Genius Tomorrow World Afrikan Odyssey

Mummy Road Show Lights! Camera! Bugs!

19:00 Sloth: The 7th Deadly

Turtles And Tortoises