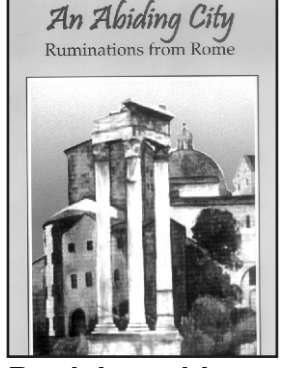


RECOMMENDATIONS



Book launching December 17 The University Press Limited and The Daily Star will jointly hold launching ceremony of the book An Abiding City: Ruminations from Rome by Neeman A Sobhan. The ceremony will take place at Etoetera Bangladesh, Gulshan Avenue, Gulshan-1, on December 17 at 5:30 p.m. The book contains various aspects of Italy and Rome as seen through the author who has lived in Rome for a long time.

Visions-1 December 10-24

Alliance Francaise de Dacca will host a avant-gardist French exhibition titled, "Visions-1 new vision in fashion", which will present latest new forms of fashion photography. On the occasion of the opening a Bibi Production's fashion show will take place in the Gallery and the cafe of Alliance Francaise de Dacca on December 10 at 6:00 p.m. The exhibition will last everyday from 9 a.m. 12 p.m. and from 5-8 p.m. except Saturday (5-8 p.m.) till Dec 24.

Art Show November 20-January 10

A group art exhibition of four young artists is being held at the American International School at Baridhara in the city and remains open daily throughout the day.

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. Interested persons are requested to register names within November 30 at the office of Bangladesh Astronomical Association 1/3, Block-E, Lalmitia, Dhaka Ph: 0171-187555.

Art

Charismatic Kanak's creations

A brave new world in acrylic, collage & oil

FAYZA HAQ

KANAK Chanpa Chakma, whose works have been recently seen at Oslo, Norway, and earlier at the revival of "La Galerie", Banani, says, "For the last three to four years my style of work is different. Earlier I had the penchant and drive to make my work impressionistic if not totally realistic. Now, I have concentrated on drawing and used that vehicle to express my thoughts, hopes and feelings. Today, I can work faster than what I did on canvas and with the impressionistic figures and forms I have brought in stylized elements which are at times exaggerated and at times minimized. My work is now drawing based and with it I use collage with Bangladeshi hand-made paper, which I cut and paste on my work. The drawing is then superimposed on these cut up multicoloured paper pieces. Along with the figures and portions of landscapes are lines of different shapes and sizes. Thus I've tried to express my inner aspirations and emotions.

Kanak Chanpa adds, "Sure I've seen many museums and galleries in my travels overseas but I have not imitated anyone and I've not been influenced by anyone's work; and I firmly believe that my approach is a fresh one. Keeping tribal life of the Chittagong Hill Tracts in mind I have worked, but my drawings and paintings have taken a new form and shape. I had this in mind all along while I worked in my earlier style as I did not want to get my work stultified. I want my viewers to always

take delight in my work and not feel blasé about it or think that my work is déjà vu. Keeping the usual colour base my experiments have taken a new vision. I feel I've been successful in this as I had a large show at the Divine Gallery with the works last year in November and my teachers had commented that to take a new turn in your work is not an easy matter. Later, more recently, I had joint exhibits at "La Galerie", Banani, and Oslo, Norway. Artists have to worry about their sale as that is their whole existence; and to jump into a totally new style takes courage. Viewers may not easily take to the new style and experiments, but I had the belief that they would accept my new forms and styles and out of 52 paintings I was able to sell 49 paintings at a recent exhibit. These had comprised drawings on paper and collage. Thus the presentation was nouveau in all respects, specially in the simplification and minimization."

Asked if the work took the same time as before and whether it was equally difficult as the earlier works, Kanak Chanpa says, "This depends on the subject and style and a full oil or acrylic takes more time than drawing or collage. If I do three feet by four feet it will take less time and but this does not mean that the quality of the work has diminished. I have had to think long as how to make the composition different from anything else seen in Bangladesh. Of course the transference of thoughts onto my works has been much quicker than before. However, this takes considerable time and is not a game or a child's play."



Sonabi in light

Talking about whether she gets more pleasure in doing the type of work that she is doing now compared to that she has done before, Kanak Chanpa says, "I get more pleasure and interest in my new form and style of work as I'm able to play more with colours, lines and forms, whether on paper or on canvas. Again, oil has a limitation, specially when it is wet and you have to wait for it to dry. I cannot put a stroke on the canvas even though I might feel like doing so very much.



Going to Jum

When I get the result of my thoughts and labour within a short spell of time it gives me the sense of satisfaction within a shorter span of time. Of course this is simpler than oil, and I can change at will which is not possible with oil. The play of brush and colours is very satisfying in my latest works."

Asked if the work is cheaper than her oils, Kanak Chanpa says, "I can sell my works at the same price although maybe the colours are less. Nevertheless, the thought and labour behind the work are no less."

Dwelling on how she rated herself among her peers in Bangladesh, Kanak Chanpa says, "I feel my works are more expensive than those of my contemporaries and where they can afford two by another artist they can afford only one of mine. Nevertheless, I think that my style and subject are unusual and the buyers are getting their money's worth."

Kanak Chanpa has won many overseas awards and has taken part in innumerable group exhibitions in Toronto, Paris, Tokyo, Kolkata, Georgia(USA), Bonn, Oslo (Norway), etc. She has held 19 solos in USA, Bhutan and Bangladesh.



Rest



Festival

Event

Echoes of musical notes from a Baltimore Fest

Baltimore County (UMBC), hosts the nineteenth annual Indian music & dance festival

JANNATUL B. ISLAM

AN Indian music and dance programme took place at the UMBC, Fine Arts Auditorium recently. The founder of the academy, Ustad Hamid Hossain, along with his family and his students, organized the program with the support of Dr. Linda Dusman, Chairperson of UMBC (Baltimore County)'s Music Department. This is an only music competition in the United States of America (USA), which is sponsored by a university, and participants come from all over the USA to compete.

The competition began with an inaugural concert on a Friday evening, last month. The featured artists for the concert were Ustad Hafez Hossain and Hidayat Khan. The programme began with Ustad Hafez Hossain's performance of North Indian classical vocal and "thumri". His son, Monir Hossain accompanied him on Tabla. Ustad Hidayat Khan, son of Ustad Vilayat Khan, ended the programme with "sitar" performance. Enayet Hussain, son of Usatad Hamid Hossain, accompanied him on "tabla". The artists dazzled the audience with their magnificent performance.

The next day, a competition began early at 9:00 am. The activities continued into the evening. The competition resumed the following Sunday morning and ended with the awards ceremony at 8:00pm. This year's event featured 204 highly talented and motivated competitors from around the United States.

The chief guest of honor was Mr. Kamal Uddin, Press Minister of Bangladesh Embassy. He began the award ceremony with warm greetings to the Academy and all the participants. He commended the Academy for using cultural diversities and commitment to music to bring the community together. At the end of the program, the winners were given certificates, trophies and monetary prizes. The first prize of \$150, second prize of \$100 and third prize of \$75 were given to those who

had more than ten competitors in their group.

There was an additional category called "Performance". This category was designed for those participants who were advanced and had won first prizes for three consecutive years. This is a non-competitive category. Only ten participants were allowed to perform. Everyone was given certificates and trophies.

The competition was well coordinated. Some of the senior students even served as accompanists in addition to organizing activities. There were age and subject categories for the competitors. The experi-

accompanied Enayet on "tabla", in the "performance" category.

The audience of over a thousand music enthusiasts included Ustad Hamid Hossain's students, their families, friends and the music lovers from all over the United States. This music competition was not limited to a specific group of people, i.e. Indian, Pakistani or Bangladeshi. Ustad Hamid Hossain, a Bangladeshi American, came to the United States of America in 1974 and worked extremely hard to establish the AIMFA for all music lovers. This is an institution for anyone who would like to continue the study of musical traditions



Ustad Hamid Hossain

Swapna Barua singing at the competition

enced musicians judged the competitors.

There were many winners from all over the United States. In those winners, some were Bangladeshi American, i.e., in the first group (age 12 and under) Shaquiqul Islam from Bethesda, Maryland has won 1st in "film song", 2nd in "tabla" and "sitar". In the second group (age 13-20) Nawshin Sultana from Baltimore, Maryland, sang a "ghazal" in the "Performance" category. In the third group (age 21 and over) Enayet Hussain from Baltimore, Maryland, played "sitar" and Patrick Gomes from Silver Spring, Maryland,

of the Indian subcontinent.

Through events such as this competition, the Academy of Indian Music and Fine Arts (AIMFA) whose participants had performed at the occasion, offers a unique way for novices and experienced performers to share the stage and their talent. AIMFA established this forum to create ongoing opportunities for students and new performers to demonstrate the musical and dance traditions of the Indian subcontinent. The annual competition takes place every year the week before Thanksgiving.

TV GUIDE

BTV

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HBO

- 6:30 Hellraiser: Bloodline 8:15 Get Carter 10:15 Primal Force 12:00 The Addams Family 2:00 Ferris Bueller's Day Off 4:00 Friday the 13th : The Final Chapter 5:45 Jack Frost 8:00 Gladiator 10:00 Zebra Lounge 1:00 Get Carter 4:45 Friday the 13th : The Final Chapter

STAR PLUS

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TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

AXN: 10:30p.m. Scarface. Remake of the 1932 film, which follows the rise of Tony Montana, a Cuban emigre who, with his friend Manny Ray, builds a strong criminal empire in early 1980's Miami.

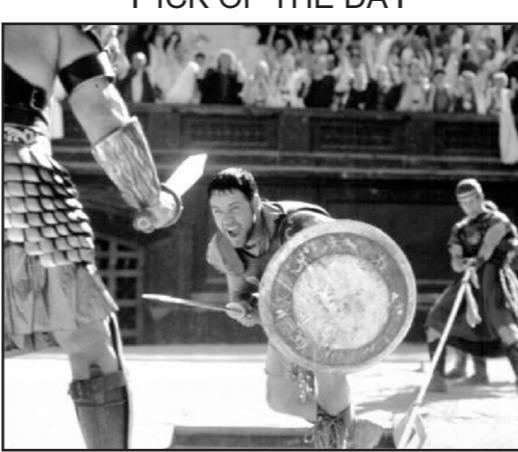
STAR MOVIES: 10:30 p.m.

Speedway Junky. A naive drifter (Jesse Bradford) runs away from his Army father in hopes of making it on a car racing circuit. In North Carolina, he meets a young scam artist (Jordan Brower), who develops a crush on him. He is then introduced to a whole gang led by a young hustler (Johnathon Taylor Thomas). The racer-to-be then gets a lesson in the wild side, getting involved in one situation after another.

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PICK OF THE DAY



Gladiator On HBO at 10:00 p.m. Maximus is a powerful Roman general, loved by the people and the aging Emperor, Marcus Aurelius. Before his death, the Emperor chooses Maximus to be his heir over his own son, Commodus, and a power struggle leaves Maximus and his family condemned to death.

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