RECOMMENDATIONS



Art Exhibition

A solo exhibition of paintings by Abdus Satter is going on at the Saju Art Gallery. It is the artist's 19th solo exhibition. The exhibition is open from 10 a.m. up to 8.30 p.m. till January 5, 2003 everyday except

15th National Fine Arts Exhibition 2002

December 28- January 27 The 15th National Fine Arts Exhibition 2002 starts on December 28 at the Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy. At the exhibition several awards including Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy Award 2002 for the Best Work. Bengal Foundation Award, Arab Bangladesh Bank Award, Deepa Haque Award, Bashundhara Group Award and Pacific Group Gold Medal will be declared. Honourable President Professor Dr. lajuddin Ahmed will inaugurate the exhibition. The exhibition will run through January 27 everyday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Fridays

Exhibition

December 27- January 8 A solo exhibition of paintings by A H M Bashirullah will start at the Alliance Française de Dacca on December 27 at 5 p.m. The exhibition will remain open for visitors up to January 8 everyday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Seminar

December 30 On the occasion of 70th anniversary of BBC World Service, a seminar has been arranged on a serial programme Bangladesh 1971 at the auditorium of Biswa Shahitya Kendra at 4 p.m. Containing twenty episodes, the documentary serial is being now telecast on the BBC Bangla

Painting

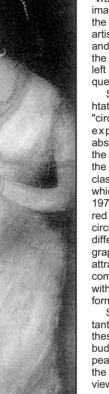
Post-modernism with oriental overtures

Abdus Sattar combines Oriental Art with a modern flare at Saju Art Gallery

BDUS Sattar, whose exhibit of works with scintillating colours is on at the Saiu Gallery, has 19 solos and 90 joint ventures to his credit. Sattar has three gold medals to his credit: one from the Shilpakala Academy (1980) for "Rainy Season of Bangladesh", another at the 1st Asian Art Biennale Bangladesh (1981) and the third, way back in 1987 at the 1st Art Biennale Pakistan. He has been a reputed teacher for 30 years and has combined his art work with writing on cultural and political events in the news media. Sattar has three books to his credit, one on Zainul Abedin; another on the technique and materials of art and the third is a collection of his published articles. There are two more books kin the offing by Sattar and these comprise on a boon on wood-cut and wood works of Bangladesh and the third is in

Bangladesh Shilpkala Academy. After his bachelor's degree in fine Arts from Bangladesh, he studied at Kala Bhabhan of Viswa Bharati, Santiniketan, India under Somnath Hore, developing his skills in graphic art. Hore described Sattar as " painstaking and versatile -- who has an easy grasp over composition". While at Sanatineketan, Sattar took part in a workshop at Chunar, India. Not being content with his progress, Sattar returned to Dhaka and did his MFA in Oriental Art at the Institute of Fine Arts, Dhaka.

Sattar went on to experiment with different techniques including batik, silk screen, oil and acrylic paintings. His still life and portraits at that time were of oriental character as they remain today, only postmodernism has crept into his work too. Influenced in his early works by



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Islamic prog: Islame

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ATN Bangla News

Musical prog: Music

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Queen of Swords

Movie: Antz

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The Green Hornet

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the Bengal school of artists i.e. Abanidranath Tahkur and Nandalal Bose along with the Indo-Muslim art of Abdur Rahman Chughtai. Also the impact of the art found in Ajanta, Mughal or Rajput Kangra tradition were there in his love themes and portrayal of women. One sees these impacts at the wondrous display of firm idyllic lines and the buoyant colours that mingle portraiture with nature at Saju's Art Gallery today as

The dwelling on minute details and the flat presentation of his works, the calligraphic lines of Bengal with women's figures with the large lotus eyes in the "mudra" style, along with plants and creepers keep to the Subcontinent style in a broad sense. The extraordinary use of decorative motifs do not undermine the modern variations in presentation. Hence Sattar has mingled the past with the present and brought out something that is "vraiment" unique His faceless images in some of his works bring in the theme of romance and idvll that artists dwelt on so often in the past and which experimental painters of the newer generation seem to have left far behind in their desperate quest for the nouveau.

Some of the symbolic elements htat Sattar has used is the eye or the "circular form" in his occasional experimentation with semiabstractions. The meditative eyes of the "dhyani mudar" reminds one of the Aianta paintings and Indian classical art. His circular forms which appeared much earlier in 1978 is now ring-like and are bright red circles outlined by more fine circles. The recurrent element in different ways, specially in his graphic works, remain a central attraction in many of his nouveau compositions. These are decorated with floral motifs and architectural

Similarly, flowers play an important role in his compositions and these vary from lilies to roses or rose buds. These stand for love, sanctity, peace and harmony. In his use of the flora Sattar wishes to tell his viewers who to survive catastrophic wars and make an attempt to live in garden of peace and harmony.







"A woman and a deer in the forest". "Torn flower" and "Gathering"

Just to compare his work with Bangladeshi masters Zainul Abedin had depicted three village women in "Three village women at rest" sitting together and chatting. expressing their joys and sorrows of everyday incidents. Quamrul Hassan in his "Tin Kannya" had brought in charming young women, standing beside a pond, having gone there to fill their pitchers. Both these works had been stylized and had been out to depict female beauty. Sattar's "Three women" seen at the present exhibit at "Saju"'s are also Bangladeshi, though city dwellers, and their beauty strikes us for the romantic presentation Sattar's once use of Islamic

calligraphy has now been taken over by Bangla calligraphy, as he wanted to assert the need to preserve our own cultural heritage. He wants to enrich his creations with his overtly Bengali identity. His love of his country has been seen in his "Black hand" at the 10th International Biennale of Prints in Tokyo (1976-1977), in which he had

commemorated the death of his friend Shanawaz, who had been shot dead in his room at the hostel of the Art Institute (now known as "Shanawaz Bhaban")

The artist's works are afar cry from the struggle and strife of every day grind and is a passionate garden of vestervear where he wants to take back his viewers a he himself takes refuge in an imaginary world that harks back to the past where dissension and disharmony was not the rule of the day. In the artist's mind, even though wars, famines and such calamities did take place in the past yet they were not the everyday incidents. The artist provides us with romantic and idyllic dream-like compositions which will wipe away, for a while, anyway, all the flooding images of disharmony that one is confronted with around us and in the media. The imaginary world, emanating from Sattar's artistic vision provides us the arcadia for a respite for our weary minds

Although Sattar has been exposed to pop, op, minimal, Dada

Asked if he had used actual and Surrealism and conceptual art. during his trip to USA, as a Fullbright scholar, and he has drunk deep from the expositions at the foremost museums of Washington and New York, it is traditional beliefs and cultural characteristics that he presents in his recent works. These works, rooted in our heritage should live on in our minds as salves in a time when murder, kidnapping, rape, holocausts reign supreme

around and near us. Sattar says, "Artists all over the world do not necessarily have to have a close relationship with the often found harsh reality around them. Botecelli's" The birth of Venus, "for instance, has surely been taken from different women's different beautiful portions. Thus the gorgeous eyes, nose, limbs and body contours surely belong to a lot of varied people from which the portions had been selected and put together as a superb representation of a young goddess who symbolizes human beauty. The perfect beauty is something which we can

models in his works. Sattar says. "Now I depend on my memories. As a student I did have models to work from and the memories of that are enough for me to work with. The necessary study to reach perfection has been done decades back." Dwelling on whether there is a difference between the work he had

done earlier and those now seen at 'Saju's, Sattar says," Earlier my work was more traditional as I had been a student of the Oriental Art Dept. I had tried to bring in the norms of beauty of the Subcontinent. I have kept that in mind, but I have done some experimental work too of late but I've not brushed aside tradition." Sattar's 69 overwhelming acrylic paintings on paper and canvas at

'Saju"'s must surely have won many hearts. Sattar says that he has chosen acrylic for his latest exposition, as it is easy to handle as most artists comment today. One left the exhibition having drunk deep from the reservoir of beauty

Videos

Suddenly Susan

Rold&Reautifu

Hollywood Squares

The Brady Bunch

The Simpsons

That 70s Show

Starnews Asia

Boston Public

Star Asia Travel

That 70s Show

Grounded For Life

Everybody Loves

Raymond

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Grounded For Life

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TV GUIDE

BTV News Headlines Desher Gan **Entertainment Program** Khabar 1.20 Shastha Tatha **News Headlines**

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5.00 5.05 5.30 6.00 Dolon Chapa 6.10 6.30 Shapnil News Headlines 7.00 (English) Weather Report Drama Serial Abosheshe Akdir 7.30

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9:30 11:30 12:30 p.m.Celebrity Adven-11.15 i Focus Telecast of BTV's 10 o'clock English News 4:30 5:00

ATN Celebrity Adven-6:30 ATN Bangla News No Boundaries

> (Season I) Musical prog: Surer Mon Movie: Jaws Madure 1:30 a.m. Queen of Swords Talk Show: Alokpat Martial Law ATN Bangla News 3:30 Rescue 911 Film Song's prog:

8:30

Prime Zone Alias

HBO 6:30 Superstar

Friday the 13th: The Final Chapter 10:00 One Kill 12:00 Zebra Lounge 1:45 Swing Vote Frees Bueller's Day Off **Dudley Do-Right** 5:45 **Executive Decision** The General's Daughter 12:15 Dragonheart 2:15 ICE Castles

STAR MOVIES

Freeis Bueller's Day

Dude Wheres My Car? Supernova Dazed and Confused 11:45 1:30 Spitfire O Brother Where Art Thou 5:15 Dude Wheres My Car? 7:00 Big Momma's House Say It isn't So Human Shiel Brotherhood I The Match

CARTOON NETWORK

(30 minutes +) The Perils of Penelope Pitstop Josie and the **Pussycats** Dexter's Laboratory The Scooby Doo

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

STAR MOVIES: 10.30 p.m. The Human Shield. An ex-Marine, who was hired to train Iragi Iraq as a CIA agent to free his brother, who has been imprisoned there by a



Show

Show

The Mask

The New Adventures

of Captain Planet

Mike Lu & Og

The Perils of

Pussycats

Penelope Pitstop

The Looney Tunes

Tom & Jerry Kids

The Scooby Doo

Addams Family

The Mask Power

Dexter's Laboratory

Scooby Doo Hour

The Powerpuff Girls

The Looney Tunes

The Cartoon Cartoon

Flintstones

ThunderCats

Jackie Chan

Zone.

G I Joe

The Powerpuff Girls

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scientist, and a grizzled sailor set out to kill a shark that is menacing the seaside community of Amity Island, which is being that is attacking swimmers. They can no longer enjoy the sea and the sun as they used to, and the spreading fear is affecting attracted to this island. After many attempts the great white shark won't go away and sheriff Brody, with friends Hooper and Quint decide to go after the shark and kill it.

AXN: 10.30 p.m. Jaws. A police chief, a

Show The Ku Koo Du Koo Johnny Brayo 10:00

Superfriends Huckleberry Hound Ed, Edd n Eddy 11:30 Power Zone Midnight Run 12:00 ThunderCats 12:30 G I Joe

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The General's Daughter On HBO at 10.00 p.m. The naked corpse of Captain Elisabeth Campbell, daughter of Lieutenant General "Fighting Joe" Campbell, is found staked out on the urban warfare range of Fort MacCallum. Army CID detectives and exlovers Paul Brenner and Sara Sunhill are called in to

investigate, and find themselves wrapped up in a maelstrom of sexual impropriety and misguided face-saving. 18:00 Very V Tournament Tata 19:00 Ctrl [V Indian Open Tennis

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New Zealand Cricket

National Bank Series

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Zealand Vs India 2nd

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STAR SPORTS

Orange Test Series Melbourne. Vs England 4th Test. Rally Racing Mai C'Ship 2002 Event Highlights(R) Australia Cricket Orange Test Series

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AUSTRALIA Australia Day 5, 1st Session(L) Indian National Rally Bangalore, KR INDIA Melbourne AUSTRALIA Australia Vs England 4th Test, Day 5, 2nd & 3rd

Session(L)

Test, Day 5, 1st Session(L) 15:30 Asia Sport Show (T) South Africa Cricket 16:00 Castle Lager/Mtn Test Series Durban SOUTH AFRICA South Africa Vs Pakistan 1st Test, Day 5, 2nd & 3rd Sportsline Tonight Sportsline (L) Cricket Talk Show Harsha Online On Tour In New Zealand (S) Sportsline Tonight Sportsline (T) Australia Cricket **Orange Test Series** Melbourne

South Africa Cricket

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Day 5, Highlights(S) STAR PLUS (30 minutes +)

AUSTRALIA Australia

Vs England 4th Test,

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Kumkum - Pyara Sa

14:00 Kvunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi 15:00 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii 16:00 Kaahin Kissi Roz 16:30 17:00 17:30 Small Wonder 18:00 18:40 Kva Film Kva Geet 18:55 19:00 Kumkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan 19:25 Film Toppers 19:30 Shaka Laka Boom **Boom** Krisshna Ariun 20:00 20:30 Kasautii Zindagii Kay 21:00 Des Mein Nikla Hoga Chand Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii 22:00

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Oprah Winfrey Show

Marti Dum Tak

STAR WORLD

Bugs

Traders

Nash Bridges

Oprah Winfrey

Star Asia Trave

World's Wildest Police

(30 minutes +)

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Boston Public **ADVENTURE**

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	7:00	India Diaries
	7:30	Different Ball Game, A
•	8:00	Surfer's Journal
	8:30	Explorer's Journal
	9:30	Out There
	10:00	Next Wave
	10:30	Miracle At Sea
	11:30	Danger Diaries
	12:30	Arctic Flyer
	13:00	India Diaries
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