

RECOMMENDATIONS

Theatre

December 31
Mohakal Natya Shampraday stages its new production Shikhondi Katha...

Dance

January 1
Akritya - a Dance Institute & Troupe - arranges a dance show at the auditorium of Shishu Academy...

Art Exhibition

A solo exhibition of paintings by Abus Satter is going on at the Saju Art Gallery...

15th National Fine Arts Exhibition 2002

The 15th National Fine Arts Exhibition 2002 starts on December 28 at the Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy...

Exhibition

December 27-January 8
A solo exhibition of paintings by A H M Bashirullah will start at the Alliance Francaise de Dacca...

Exhibition

Behind book-cover illustrations

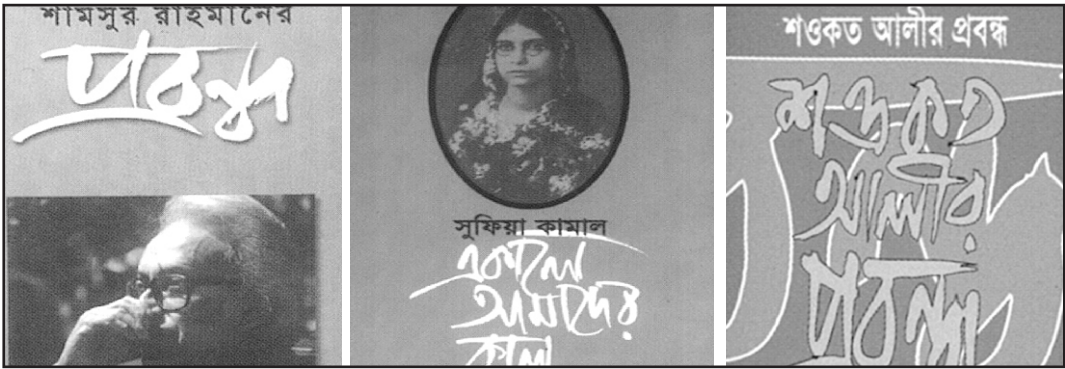
Robin Ahsan holds his first exhibition of cover designs at the "Biswa Shahitya Kendra"

HARUN UR RASHID

WHEN it comes to buying books, there is hardly anyone who does not take a long scrutinising look at the cover illustration of the book...

nate for him, he could not attend any art institution due to some personal difficulties. Nevertheless, he kept up this passion.

of the past, in which an artist's creative sensibility also touched the reader of the book. But now, especially since the mid-1990s computer technology has drastically empowered the human ability of creative ideas.



such event in recent years. Only an exhibition of cover illustrations by Quayyum Chowdhury before 1971, and another posthumous display of Kazi Ahsan Habib's works can be traced down till now.

Sarder Fazlul Karim, Bangladesh-er Urdu Kobita edited by poet Asad Chowdhury and many others.

output on transparent sheets. Again, sometimes he loves to work on hand-made paper. One such work is the cover of a book of poems dedicated to Vladimir E Lenin.

Robin's interest in cover designing has had its roots long back in his childhood. At that time he was immensely fascinated by the cover illustrations of his own schoolbooks.

Regarding present culture of cover illustration Robin has a rather frustrated opinion. He supposes that glorious era of artistic cover illustration ended with the advent of computer technology into the field at the closing of the 1980s.

It seems, after seeing Robin's exhibition, that there should be more exhibitions of cover designs, for this would firstly create a competitive atmosphere for the designers which will ultimately contribute to the improvement of the art.

Musings

Drive away your blues with something positive

New Year Resolutions

FAYZA HAQ

THE new year begins from day after tomorrow; today, on the eve of 2003 there will be fireworks, dancing, dining and exchange of gifts by the upper echelons of society.



Panthapath underground crossing, or even during shopping at places like Eastern Plaza. Even taking out the change on the Mirpur Road can be dangerous...

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Again, when one goes in for a job, there is often the tendency to become a workaholic or vice versa, a lazy slow coach - who is never in time and so seldom pleases the boss by getting the job done during the given period.

There are then the resolutions of catching up with correspondence with friends and relatives overseas, which one often complains that one cannot, due to shortage of item.

Today, there is the internet and greeting cards with accompanying brief notes saying so much, with only a few personal lines to include, apart from the signature.

Again, both men and women tend to be somewhat absent minded while travelling and tend to get mugged. I know of many men and women who have been mugged more than five times...

There are the CDs of Mozart, Beethoven and Chopin that one must catch up with, along with the reading that one has put aside for years. As for being in time, one can put double alarms, ask one's parents or siblings or even the domestic

servants to help one get up in time. The resolutions should cut down the late night "addas" and channel watching so that even the cold mornings or humid beginning of the day will not prove a monster to struggle with.

existence. Why not go to the Chittagong Hill Tracts or Srimangal or take a trip to see the architectural beauties that hark back to the Buddhist, Hindu, Muslim heydays as well as the British Raj?...

New year resolutions could also include making adequate clothes for the daily existence, which one often puts aside due to the pressure of looking after children, tending to the household chores, being a spend-thrift out of sheer impulse. etc. One can go for the facial one needs, visit the doctor as scheduled and one can do so much more.

TV GUIDE

BTV

- 12.10 News Headlines
12.15 Desher Gan
12.20 Drama Of The Week (Retelecast)
1.00 Khabar
1.45 Akjer Shangbadpotro
2.00 News Headlines
2.05 Open University
2.25 Shastha Totha
2.45 Shabar Jonno Shikha
3.00 Khabar
3.10 Children's News
3.15 Cartoon
3.40 Selected Program
4.00 News Headlines
4.10 Shangkita
4.35 Shukhi Poribar
5.00 Khabar
5.05 Jadumala
6.00 Khabar
6.10 Shandha Maloti
6.35 Programs From Chittagong Center
7.00 News Headlines (English)
7.05 Weather Report
7.10 Drama Serial: Darao Shamay
7.30 Selected Program
8.00 8 o'clock Bengali news
8.30 Drama Serial: Char Kolmir Shukh Duskho
9.00 Drama Serial: Hohat Kokhon
9.30 Drama Serial
10.00 10 o'clock English News
10.25 Shangkita
10.30 Ganer Teta
11.30 Khabar/The News

ATN

- 6:00 Islamic prog.
8:00 ATN Bangla News
8:25 Children prog : ATN Sapla Saluk Gold Medel Projejeta
9:35 A Special Reporting prog :
10:10 Musical prog : Pop Dhamaka
12:00 ATN Bangla News
2:05 Musical prog : ATN Music
2:30 ATN Bangla News Headlines
2:45 Bengali feature film Islamic prog : Islame Sawal O Jabab
6:25 Musical prog : Music Time
7:00 ATN Bangla Evening News
7:25 Fashion Magazine : Moyore Choturang Computer Based prog : ATN Computer Projekte Film magazine : Henolux Benudon Bichitra
9:00 ATN Bangla News
9:15 Musical prog : Beberton
10:00 ATN Bangladesh News
10:35 Musical prog : Sae Rang
11:10 Musical prog :
11:30 ATN Bangla News
12:00 Bengali feature film : Sajanu Bagan

HBO

- 6:30 Last Run
8:30 Hellraiser : Bloodline
10:15 Hercules and Xenand The Animated Movie : The Battle for Mount Olympus
12:00 Hellraiser III : Hell on Earth
2:00 Commandments
3:45 The Golden Child
5:45 Cobra
7:30 The Mummy
10:00 Blade
12:30 Dungeons & Dragons
2:45 The Expendables
4:30 The Golden Child
STAR MOVIES
6:00am Say It Isn't So
7:45 The David Cassidy Story
9:30 Desert Blue
11:15 Freddy Got Fingered
1:00 Disney's The Kid
2:45 Monkeybone
6:30 Mr TV Special
7:00 Moulin Rouge
AXN
6:30 ovie : The Prince of Egypt
8:30 Rescue
9:30 Allies Masquerade
10:30 Cold Squad Marilyn Larson
11:30 Martial Law Wild Life
12:30 Fear Factor
1:30 Alias Masquerade
2:30 Movie : The Prince of Egypt
4:30 The Green Hornet
5:30 Fear Factor
6:30 Martial Law Breakout
7:30 Exploring the Unknown
8:30 VIP Miss Con
9:30 Ripley's Believe It Or Not!
10:30 Tue Movie : Arlington Road
1:30 Queen of Swords

Honour Thy Father

SONY

- 7:00 Dil Ka Dwar Khol
7:30 Amrit Varsha
8:00 Sant Asaram Vani
8:30 Chartbusters
9:00 Good Morning Disney
10:00 Music Mantra
10:30 Hum Pardesi Ho Gaye
11:00 Chamatkaar
11:30 Family No. 1
12:00 Hum Sab Ek Hain
12:30 Heena
1:00 Khusum
1:30 Papa Ban Gaye Hero
2:00 Kutumb
2:30 Kuchh Jhuki Palkan
3:00 Om Namay Shivay
4:00 Just Mohabbat
4:30 Chhoti Si Asha
5:00 Dil Hai Ke Manta Nahin
5:30 Star Year Kalakaar
6:30 Disney Hour
7:30 Chartbusters
8:00 Music Mantra
8:30 Come to the Party : Kabhi Khushi Kabhie Gham
STAR WORLD
(Thirty minutes plus)
06:30 Oprah Winfrey Show
07:28 Star Asia Travel
07:30 Bugs
08:30 That 70s Show
09:00 Grounded For Life
09:30 Boston Public
10:30 Oprah Winfrey Show
11:00 Star Asia Travel
11:30 Everybody Loves Raymond
12:00 Becker
12:30 Suddenly Susan
13:00 Bold & Beautiful
13:30 Hollywood Squares
14:00 The Brady Bunch
14:30 Baywatch
15:30 The Simpsons
16:00 Cheers
16:30 Starnews Asia

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

- STAR MOVIES: 11.15 p.m. Freddy Got Fingered. Gordon, 28, an aspiring animator, leaves his home in Oregon to sell his ideas to Hollywood. After being told, correctly, that they are quite possibly the most stupid ideas ever and that he needs to spend time rethinking them, he moves back home. But his father, never a kind man, escalates his mean treatment of his rather unconventional son.
AXN: 10.30 p.m. Arlington Road. Widowed when his FBI agent wife is killed in an FBI anti-terrorist operation gone wrong, a college professor (Bridges) becomes increasingly obsessed with the culture and sub-society of these dangerous groups. The arrival of new neighbors (Robbins, Cusack), gives him new spirit, as they are gregarious and friendly, with two children (Gamble, Green) that his son (Clark) can be friends with. He is even beginning to see another woman (Davis).

STAR GOLD

- (Thirty minutes plus)
6:30 Geet Bahar
7:00 Jheel Ka Us Paar
10:30 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet
11:00 Satyakam
14:00 Geet Bahar
14:30 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet
15:00 Pyar Kiya Jaa
18:15 Hit Geet
18:30 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet
19:00 Mere Sapno Ki Rani
22:30 Geet Gata Chal
23:00 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet
23:30 Hukumat
CHANNEL [V]
(Thirty minutes plus)
6:30 [V] Best Of 2002
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CARTOON NETWORK
(Thirty minutes plus)
6:30 Josie and the Pussycats
7:00 Dexter's Laboratory
7:30 The Scooby Doo Show
8:00 The Ku Koo Du Koo Show
9:00 Jackie Chan Adventures
9:30 The New Adventures of Captain Planet
10:00 Mike Lu & Og
10:30 Jetsons
11:00 The Perils of Penelope Pitstop
11:30 Josie and the Pussycats
12:00 The Looney Tunes Show
1:00 The Legend of Snow White
1:30 The Powerpuff Girls
2:00 The Scooby Doo Show
2:30 Addams Family
3:00 Flintstones
3:30 The Mask
4:00 Swat Kats
4:30 The New Adventures of Captain Planet
5:00 Dexter's Laboratory
5:30 Jackie Chan Adventures
6:00 All New Popeye
6:30 The Legend of Snow White
7:00 The Powerpuff Girls
7:30 The Scooby Doo Show
8:00 The Looney Tunes Show
9:00 The Cartoon Cartoon Show
10:00 Johnny Bravo
10:30 Superfriends
11:00 Lippy The Lion
12:00 Swat Kats
12:30 The New Adventures of Captain Planet
ADVENTURE ONE
(Thirty minutes plus)
06:30 Across The Line - S2
07:00 Treasure Seekers
08:00 Surfer's Journal
08:30 Explorer's Journal
09:30 Ng Explorer
10:30 Fresh Air Crew
11:00 Bird Nesters of Thailand
11:30 Danger Diaries
12:30 Across The Line - S2
13:00 Treasure Seekers
14:00 Surfer's Journal
14:30 Explorer's Journal
15:30 Treasure Seekers
16:30 Surfer's Journal
17:00 Explorer's Journal
18:00 Ng Explorer
19:00 Fresh Air Crew
19:30 Sahara Sprinter
20:00 Danger Diaries
21:00 Across The Line - S2
21:30 Ng Explorer
22:30 Fresh Air Crew
23:00 Sahara Sprinter

PICK OF THE DAY



Blade
On HBO at 10 p.m. When Blade's mother was bitten by a vampire during pregnancy, she did not know that she gave her son a special gift while dying: All the good vampire attributes in combination with the best human skills. Blade grew up to be a vampire hunter for revenge on his mother's death.

23:30 Danger Diaries

- HALLMARK
1:00 Power & Beauty
3:00 Night Owl
5:00 Sesame Street - Episode # 90
6:00 Chance Of A Lifetime
8:00 Walter And Henry
10:00 Young Riders, The - Gathering Clouds I
11:00 Dalva
1:00 Touched By An Angel
Episode # 2 (9) The Grudge
2:00 Sesame Street - Episode # 90
3:00 Scholastic Clifford - Clifford's Carnival / Clifford's Doggy R
3:30 Cailou - Episode # 18
4:00 Flipper - Episode # 21
5:00 Early Edition
(Episodes 24-46x1hr)
Seaso - Show Me The Monet
6:00 Star Trek: Voyager - Episode # 73
Revelion
7:00 Falling From Grace
9:00 Early Edition
(Episodes 24-46x1hr)
Seaso - Hot Time In Old Town
10:00 Star Trek: Voyager - Episode # 74 The Raven
11:00 Sublet
ESPN
(Thirty minutes plus)
06:30 X-Games The Asian Xtour Presented By Toyota Singapore, SINGAPORE Event Highlights(R)
07:00 Nfl Blast (T)
07:30 Nfl Football (I) St Louis, MO USA San Francisco 49ers Vs St Louis Rams (L)
11:00 New Zealand Cricket National Bank Series
02/03 Napier, NEW ZEALAND New Zealand Vs India 2nd Odi, Highlights(R)
13:00 X-Games The Asian Xtour Presented By Toyota Singapore, SINGAPORE Event Highlights(R)
14:00 Motoworld (R)
15:00 Asian Bowling Tour, Hong Kong Women'S Highlights(T)
15:00 English Premier Football League
16:00 Aviva Asian Bowling Tour, Hong Kong
17:00 English Premier Football League
18:00 English Premier Football League
19:00 English Premier Football League
20:02/03 Manchester, ENGLAND Manchester United Vs Birmingham City (R)
21:00 Atp Tour World Series Tournament Tata Indian Open Tennis 2002/03 Chennai, INDIA Round Of 32(L)
21:00 Sportscenter Hindi (L)
21:30 Western Union World Football (R)
22:00 Sachin Tendulkar Programming India Vs... Presented By Sachin Tendulkar (T)
23:00 Sportscenter Hindi (T)
23:30 Boxing Series Espn2 Friday Night Fights (R)
STAR SPORTS
(Thirty minutes plus)
06:30 Futbol Mundial (R)
07:00 South Africa Cricket Castle Lager/Mtn Test Series Durban, SOUTH AFRICA South Africa Vs Pakistan 1st Test, Day 5, Highlights(R)
08:00 Cricket Talk Show Harsha Online On Tour In New Zealand (R)
09:00 Trans World Sport (T)
10:00 International Motorsports News
International Motorsports News
11:00 Triathlon Noosa Triathlon Multi Sport Festival Sunshine Coast, AUSTRALIA (T)
12:00 English Premier Football League
14:00 Cricket Talk Show Harsha Online On Tour In New Zealand (R)
15:00 Go Kart Mrf Formule Mondiale C'Ship 2002 Pune, MA INDIA Event Highlights(T)
15:30 Rally Racing Mrf National Motocross C'Ship 2002 Pune, MA INDIA Event Highlights(T)
16:00 Watersports World (T)
17:00 Sports Unlimited (T)
18:00 On The Limit On The Limit 2002 - Asia Pacific Rally C'Ship Thailand Circuit, THAILAND Round 6(T)
18:30 Max Power Max Power 2002 (T)
19:30 Sportsline Tonight Sportsline (L)
20:00 English Premier League Highlights English Premier League Highlights
21:00 Sachin Tendulkar Programming India Vs... Presented By Sachin Tendulkar (T)
21:30 Sportsline Tonight Sportsline (T)
22:30 Zimbabwe Cricket The Coca-Cola Cup Harare, ZIMBABWE West Indies Vs India