

RECOMMENDATIONS

Exhibition

May 29 - June 12
Bengal Shilpalay organises an exhibition of recent works by Kalidas Karmakar titled 'Alluvial Faces' at the Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts from May 29 to June 12.

May 22 - June 5

The inauguration of a painting exhibition by Kakoli and a sculpture exhibition by Reaz will take place at the Alliance Francaise de Dhaka on May 22 at 6.00p.m. The exhibition will continue till June 5.

Recitation

May 30

Abriti Academy holds a reciting presentation of its production Kalbela Kalsroey, written by Orna Apurnika and directed by Apurnima Biplab, at the Shawkat Osman Memorial Auditorium. The programme starts at 7 p.m.

Nazrul Conference

June 01-08

Nazrul Academy will hold a week long 'Nazrul Conference 1410' at the Nazrul Bhaban at Moghbazaar. The conference will run from 5.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. everyday.

Video film

June 02-03

Action against Trafficking and Sexual Exploitation of Children (ASTEC) organises a video film festival as part of its nationwide campaign for prevention of trafficking in children and women at Bangladesh Shishu Academy. Video films Destination Unknown, Kranti, Chameli will be screened at the festival. The programme continues from 10.00 a.m. to 09.30 p.m. everyday.

Film release

"Face Off" in town



HOLLYWOOD blockbuster "Face Off" starring Nicolas Cage, John Travolta will be released at Modhumita cinema hall today.

Exhibition

A kaleidoscope of forms and faces

Kalidas Karmakar's exhibition at Bengal Gallery

FAYZA HAQ

THERE are more than 70 works in the present exhibition at Kalidas Karmakar's exhibition at the Bengal Gallery of which 30 are drawings and the others being guache works, mixed



Kalidas Karmakar media on canvas and "washi", a handmade paper.

Kalidas says, "The small pieces are work on paper, each one of which I made myself individually so that each paper with the blue works is original. I work with guache which is water based, but strong and expensive colour. I used some mixed media elements to raise some portions. I used emboss and utilized liquid like silver on top. The series represents blue harmony and it is like my personal diary and is different from anything I've done before. My lifestyle has changed and I feel more at peace and my work reflects that lyrical quality. The large canvas with the portraits labelled 'alluvial faces' is symbolic of the faces that we see around us in the farmers and everyday labourers."

"The heart of the people are basically gentle like the soft soil of the Ganges, Padma and Meghna whose banks they inhabit and work in. Why I highlight these faces is because these people have been peaceful for centuries, even though kings and emperors have made war for their own ends."

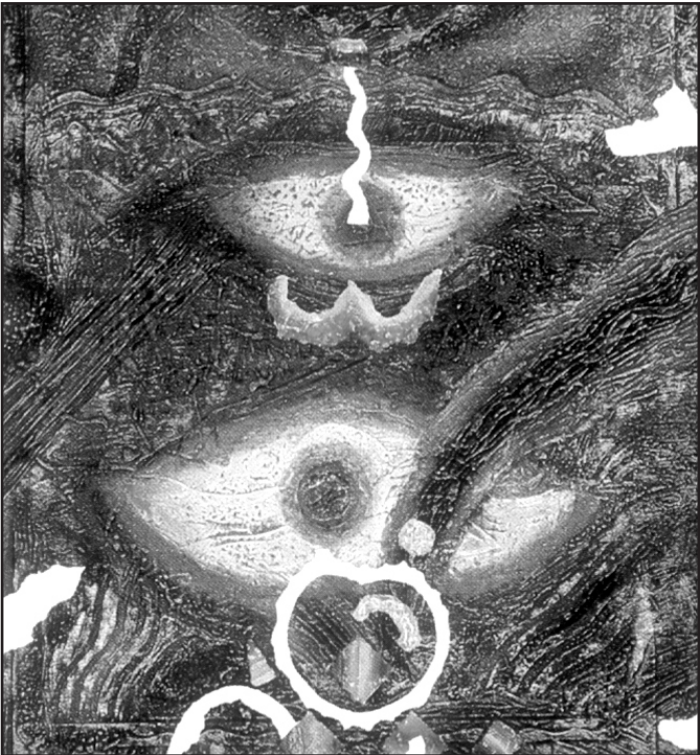
Asked in what way the present exhibition is different from the

ones he had held before, Kalidas says, "I always change my themes and subjects as I go along. I always work in a thematic manner. This exhibit focus on fewer subjects than the ones before. I have dealt with the human faces of our country, the people I know and others that I have only seen in passing."

Touching on his work "Alluvial face-2", Kalidas says, "The red dominated canvas has numerous textures and layers of colours and top left hand side is a geometrical slot as if a window has been cut there. The expression on the face is a painful one while my finger has been used to paint the face. *In all my large canvases where portraits have come in, I haven't used my brush but rather my finger as I want to feel both the colour and the emotion of the situation. Thus there is a close contact between the feeling, the colour and myself.* I'll be delighted if this close contact is

correctly conveyed to my viewers. Below the work, on the right hand side, is a square form which is hollow opening to the world beyond through which the peace of the blue sky creeps in. Even though the work is one that is wrapped in despair yet I'm an optimistic person and hope for better days."

He continues, "The other painting 'Alluvial faces-0' is one of my latest creations and contains beads, semiprecious stones, talisman and calligraphy from the Koran saying 'Bismillah', along with the broken bangle or 'shakah' of the Hindu widow. Along with the faces come the form of the game of chess. Behind all this is the actual mud from Chittagong which has been pasted with soil glue from USA. The painting represents the mazes in a society which has different patterns which must be in harmony so that the society may grow and flourish."



Music

Successes and dreams

Bari Siddiqui talks about the scope of playing flutes in Bangladesh

NOVERA DEEPTA

BARI Siddiqui, a renowned flutist has been heard playing on the radio, audio tapes CDs and has also been seen on television for quite some time. Today, he is also a popular music director for BTV and sought after for Bangladeshi movies.

He learned to play the flute at a very early age. 'I was greatly influenced by my brothers who used to play the flute.'

Bari took flute lessons from Ustad Aminur Rahman, student of the legendary Ustad Pannalal Ghosh. He was then a university student.' I used to sing at many



Bari Siddiqui

functions when I was in university and afterwards I started to play the flute professionally. There is a part

of rag-ragini called alaaap. I learned many authentic techniques of this alaaap from the son of Ustad Aminur Rahman, Tawfiq Newaz.' He had also taken lessons from Pandit VG Karnad and learned various techniques from the Late Pandit Debendra Mudreshwar.

Bari Siddiqui toured to countries like India, Pakistan, Singapore, Indonesia, Thailand, Burma, England, Switzerland, France and many other European countries. 'It was in 1999 at the World Flute Conference in Geneva, where representatives from seventy countries took part. I was the only representative from the sub-continent. There was a big cover-

age in the newspapers where they praised my playing as well.'

He received many awards for his performances at Fajar Music Festival award in Iran, World Flute Conference Award in Geneva, International Film Movement Association Award, and Bachshash Award.

Bari Siddiqui not only plays the flute, he also sings. Three albums have been released so far which has gained national appreciation. 'Srabon Megher Din' happens to be his latest and most talked about works. He is also thinking about releasing another album, which may be, titled 'Lilua Batash'.

BAMBA elections

The 5th Election of Bangladesh Musical Band's Association (BAMBA) was held with the participation of member bands on 26th May 2003 at the Art of Noise Studio, says a press release.

Selected Executive Committee for 2003-2004 are:

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| President: | Mr Hamin Ahmed (Miles) |
| Vice President: | Mr Fuad Naser Babu (Feedback) |
| General Secretary: | Mr Sheikh Monirul Alam Tipu (Warfaze) |
| Assistant General Secretary: | Mr Masuduzzaman Shumon (Shadhinota) |
| Treasurer: | Mr Md Ali Shumon (Pentagon) |
| Executive Member Band Are: | |
| 1. L R B 2. Nagar Baul 3. Souls 4. Winning 5. Aurthohin 6. Artcell 7. Prometheus 8. Steeler | |



BAMBA members.

Film festival

Bangladesh film festival in London

CULTURE DESK

RAINBOW Film Society has been organising the 'Bangladesh Film Festival' since 2000 to fulfill the cordial demand of expatriate Bangladeshis with the help of their London branch. The fourth festival of the same kind will be screened from June 01 to 08 this year at the Jessenin Theatre East London. The aim of this festival is to create a market for Bangladeshi

films. The theme of the festival this year is to build a platform for parallel films, along with commercial movies in Bangladesh.

Films namely 'Lal Shalu' by Tanvir Mukammel, 'Ekattorer Jeshu' by Nasiruddin Yusuf, 'Dukhai' by Murshedul Islam, 'Perception the other way' by Fouzia Khan and other films along with three documentaries by Reshmi Ahmed will be screened at the Festival.



TV GUIDE

All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the programme.

CHANNEL-i

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| 06:10 | Islamic Programme |
| 07:15 | Prothom Sur |
| 09:00 | Joto Poth Toto Mith |
| 09:30 | Chalar Pothe |
| 10:00 | Radunir Ranna |
| 10:30 | Chhutir Sakal |
| 11:30 | Drama Serial: Ggrihagolpo |
| 12:00 | Drama Serial: Thief Of Bagdad |
| 12:30 | Band Show: Close Up Hit Wave |
| 01:00 | Drama Serial: Charisma |
| 02:00 | Satyer Sandane |
| 03:00 | Bangla Feature Film: Osadaran |
| 5:35 | Jonopoder Khabor |
| 5:45 | Magazine Programme For Children |
| 6:10 | Music Plus |
| 6:45 | Kothai Kothai |
| 7:15 | Channel-I News |
| 7:45 | Ispahani-I Tele Quiz (Q) |
| 7:50 | Drama Serial: Abhimani |
| 8:25 | Drama Serial: Horek Rokom Jibon |
| 9:00 | Channel-I News |
| 9:31 | Ispahani-I Tele Quiz (R) |
| 9:35 | Drama Serial: Akannyaborti |
| 10:00 | Drama: Rhidoyer Kache |
| 10:25 | Channel-I Mobile Quiz 2525 |
| 10:30 | Channel-I News |
| 11:15 | Sangbad Potrey Bangladesh |
| 11:30 | Late Night News Of BTV |
| 12:15 | Channel-I News |

ATN BANGLA

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| 6:00 | Islamic Prog. |
| 8:00 | ATN Bangla News |
| 8:25 | Cheinly Na Amai |
| 9:00 | Film Magazine: Henolux Benudon Bichitra |
| 9:35 | Prekkhapot |
| 11:05 | Islamic prog. |
| 12:00 | ATN Bangla News |
| 12:20 | Ajker Sangbadpotro |
| 12:40 | Islamic Prog |
| 3:25 | Special Prog: Sretetay Zia |
| 4:50 | Ajker Sangbadpotro |
| 5:00 | Gramgonger Sangbad |
| 5:15 | Special Prog: Des Jate Ziaur Rahman |
| 6:25 | Children prog. Amra Karbo Joy |
| 7:00 | ATN Bangla Evening News |
| 7:30 | Special Prog: Janotar Zia |
| 8:05 | Special Prog: Sarone Shaheed Zia |
| 8:40 | Magazine Prog. |
| 9:00 | ATN Bangla News |
| 9:25 | Drama Serial: Aponjon |
| 10:00 | ATN Bangla News |
| 10:30 | Music Vision |
| 11:00 | ATN Bangla news |
| 12:00 | Bengali feature film: "Professor" |
| TARA BANGLA | |
| 6:30 | Aajker Shironam |
| 7:00 | Tarar Chokhey |
| 8:30 | Tara News |
| 9:30 | Tara News Bangladesh |
| 10:00 | Hanrir Khabar |
| 10:30 | News Magazine |
| 11:30 | Tara News |
| SONY | |
| 7:30 | Amrit Varsha |
| 8:00 | Sant Asaram Vani |
| 8:30 | Om Namah Shivay |
| 9:00 | Good Morning |
| 10:30 | Chartbusters |
| 11:00 | Music Mantra |
| 11:30 | Shaheen |
| 12:00 | Harmony |
| 12:30 | Kya hadsaa Kya Haqeeqat |

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| 1:30 | Kabhi Biwi Kabhi Jasoo |
| 2:30 | Boogie Woogie |
| 3:00 | Dhaddkan |
| 4:00 | Gha Ek Mandi |
| 4:30 | Alpiram |
| 5:00 | Kaun Apna Kaun Paraya |
| 5:30 | Cadburys |
| 6:30 | Bourvilta Quic Contes |
| 7:00 | Shri Krishna |
| 7:30 | Disney Hour |
| 8:00 | Chartbusters |
| 9:30 | Music Mantra |
| 10:00 | Kya Madsaad Kya Haqeeqat |
| 10:30 | Devi |
| 11:00 | Heena |
| 11:30 | CID |
| 12:00 | Meri Bibi |
| 12:30 | Winderful |
| 13:00 | Bhanwar |
| 13:30 | Ghar Ek Mandi |
| STAR PLUS | |
| 6:00 | Bhabhi |
| 6:30 | Star Geetmala |
| 7:00 | Dr Morepen Tango |
| 7:30 | Daily |
| 8:00 | Shaka Laka Boom Boom |
| 8:30 | Taaza Hits |
| 9:00 | Hit Filmein Hit |
| 9:30 | Sangeet - 20 M |
| 10:00 | Fox Kids |
| 10:30 | Hit Filmein Hit |
| 11:00 | Sangeet - 20 M |
| 11:30 | Meri Saheli |
| 12:00 | Pal Chinn |
| 12:30 | Kabhii Sautan |
| 13:00 | Kabhii Saheli |
| 13:30 | Shanti |
| 14:00 | Hit Filmein Hit |
| 14:30 | Sangeet - 20 M |
| 15:00 | Taaza Hits |
| 15:30 | Sonpari |
| 16:00 | Tu Tu Main Main |
| 16:30 | Kundali |
| 17:00 | Sannewali Khidki |
| 17:30 | Kyun Hota Hai |
| 18:00 | Pyarr |
| 18:30 | Krishna Arjun |
| 19:00 | Khichdi |
| 19:30 | Aur Phir Ek Din |
| 20:00 | Film Topper - 301 Series |
| 20:30 | Saans |
| 21:00 | Hit Filmein Hit |
| 21:30 | Sangeet - 20 M |
| 22:00 | Taaza Hits |
| 22:30 | Hum Saath Aath |
| 23:00 | Hain |
| 23:30 | Fox Kids |

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS



HBO at 05:30 p.m. **15 Minutes.** When Eastern European criminals Oleg and Emil come to New York City to pick up their share of a heist score, Oleg steals a video camera and starts filming their activities, both legal and illegal. When they learn how the American media circus can make a remorseless killer look like the victim and make them rich, they target media-savvy NYPD Homicide Detective Eddie Flemming and media-naive FDNY Fire Marshal Jordy Warsaw, the cops investigating their murder and torching of their former criminal partner, filming everything to sell to the local tabloid TV show "Top Story."

STAR MOVIES at 10:30 **Crazy/Beautiful.** At Pacific Palisades High, a poor Latino falls hard for a troubled girl from the affluent neighborhood. Who believes "When it's real. When it's right. Don't let anything stand in your way."

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| 6:25 | Film Topper - 301 Series |
| 7:30 | Tu Tu Main Main |
| 7:55 | Film Topper - 301 Series |
| 8:00 | Shaka Laka Boom Boom |
| 8:30 | Karishma Ka Karishma |
| 9:00 | Kuch Kar |
| 9:30 | Dikhana Hai |
| 10:00 | Shararat |
| 10:30 | Josh Action Unlimited |
| 11:00 | Sssshhhh...Koi Hai... |
| STAR GOLD | |
| 7:00 | Geet Bahar |
| 7:30 | Abhiman |
| 10:55 | Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit |
| 11:00 | Hit Filmein Hit |
| 11:25 | Sangeet - 20 M |
| 11:30 | Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit |
| 11:55 | Hit Filmein Hit |
| 12:00 | Sangeet - 20 M |
| 12:30 | Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit |
| 13:00 | Charas |
| 13:30 | Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit |
| 14:00 | Geet Bahar |
| 14:30 | Hit Filmein Hit |
| 15:00 | Sangeet - 20 M |
| 15:30 | Chartbusters |
| 16:00 | Music Mantra |
| 16:30 | Shaheen |
| 17:00 | Hum Saath Aath |
| 17:30 | Hain |
| 18:00 | Fox Kids |

PICK OF THE DAY



Corky Romano

On **STAR MOVIES** at 08:55 p.m. **Corky Romano** is a bumbling, simpleton, veterinarian and the youngest, outcast son of an aging gangster, named Pops Romano, who calls upon Corky to infiltrate the local FBI and retrieve and destroy evidence being used to incriminate Pops for racketeering charges.

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| 8:30 | Scientific American Frontief |
| 9:30 | Landslide |
| 10:00 | Human Edge |
| 10:30 | Plagues |
| 11:30 | Hot Science |
| DISCOVERY | |
| 8:30 | Wild Discovery: Lion of the Americas |
| 9:30 | Globetrekker: Nepal |
| 10:30 | Health In The Air |
| 11:30 | Air Rage |
| 12:30 | Makeover Story: Stylin' Systems |
| 1:00 | Streets of the World: Havana's Calle Obispo |
| 1:30 | Health Showcase |
| 2:30 | New Detectives: In The Line of Fire |
| 3:30 | Globetrekker |
| 4:30 | Truth Or Scare: Castle Chosts of Ireland |
| 5:00 | Operation Junkyard |
| 5:30 | Animal Planet's Croc Hunter Big |
| 6:30 | Croc Diaries |
| 7:00 | Sailing/Sea Legends |
| 7:30 | Those Who Dare: Saturation Diver |
| 8:30 | Wild Discovery: Wild, Weird Curisities |
| 9:30 | Friday Showcase |

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| 5:30 | 15 Minutes |
| 8:00 | 48 Hours |
| 10:00 | Mortal Kombat |
| 12:00 | The Temp |
| 2:00 | Tango & Cash |
| 4:00 | Cinema Secrets III: 6-Destructive Forces |
| 4:30 | 48 Hours |
| ADVENTURE ONE | |
| 6:00 | Danger Diaries |
| 7:00 | On Assignment |
| 7:30 | Racing The Moon |
| 8:30 | Cameramen Who Dared |
| 9:00 | Explorer's Journal |
| 10:00 | Danger Diaries |
| 11:00 | Football Fever |
| 12:00 | Surfer's Journal |
| 12:30 | Explorer's Journal |
| 1:30 | The Lonely Dorymen |
| 2:30 | NG Adventures |
| 3:30 | Danger Diaries |
| 4:30 | On Assignment |
| 5:00 | Explorer's Journal |
| 6:00 | Windborn |
| 7:00 | Shark Feeders |
| 7:30 | Explorer's Journal |
| 8:30 | Danger Diaries |
| 9:30 | Surfer's Journal |
| 10:00 | Windborn |
| 11:30 | Shark Feeders |
| 11:30 | Explorer's Journal |
| STAR MOVIES | |
| 6:30 | Against All Odds |
| 8:30 | Waterworld |
| 11:00 | Double Team |
| 1:00 | Devil In A Blue Dress |
| 3:00 | DOA |
| 4:55 | How To Make An American |
| 7:00 | The Touch |
| 8:55 | Corky Romano |
| 10:30 | Crazy/Beautiful |
| 12:30 | Transylvania 6-5000 |
| AXN | |
| 6:30 | Movie: The Alter-nate |
| 8:30 | Rescue/Who Daers Wins |
| 9:30 | Scariest Places On Earth |
| 10:30 | Earth Final Conclit |
| 11:30 | Boarding |
| 12:30 | Relic Hunter/Devil Doll |
| 1:30 | Now See This |
| 2:30 | Movie: The Alter- |

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| nate | Rescue/Who Daers Wins |
| 5:30 | Relic Hunter/Devil Doll |
| 6:30 | Earth Final Conclit/Termination |
| 7:30 | Boarding Pass/Who Daers Wins |
| 8:30 | Alias/Masquerade |
| 9:30 | The Right Stuff/Rated |
| 10:30 | Andromeda/Home Fires |
| 11:30 | No Boundaries |
| 12:30 | The Right Stuff/Rated |
| STAR WORLD | |
| 6:00 | Kenneth Copeland Ministries |
| 6:30 | The Simpsons |
| 7:00 | Friends |
| 7:30 | Suddenly Susan |
| 8:00 | Hollywood Squares |
| 8:30 | The Brady Bunch |
| 9:00 | Cheers |
| 9:30 | Oprah Winfrey Show |
| 10:30 | Buffy The Vampire Slayer |
| 11:30 | Angel |
| 12:30 | Nypd Blue |
| 1:30 | Chicago Hope |
| 2:28 | Star Asia Travel |
| 2:30 | Oprah Winfrey Show |
| 3:30 | Bold and Beautiful |
| 4:30 | Hollywood Squares |
| 5:00 | The Brady Bunch |
| 5:30 | Knight Rider |
| 6:30 | The Simpsons |
| 7:00 | Everybody Loves Raymond |
| 7:30 | Drama & Greg |
| 8:00 | Friends |
| 8:30 | TNA Wrestling |
| 9:30 | World's Wildest Police Videos |
| 10:30 | Nash Bridges |
| 11:28 | Star Asia Travel |
| 11:30 | Baywatch |
| ANIMAL PLANET | |
| 8:30 | Wild Rescues |
| 9:00 | Croc Files/Croc Hunter Diaries |
| 9:30 | Animal Planet Safari |
| 10:30 | Natural World |
| 11:30 | Planet's Funniest Animals |
| 12:00 | Breed All About It |
| 12:00 | Battersea Dogs Home |

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| 1:00 | Wednesday |
| 1:30 | Wednesday |
| 2:30 | Jeff Corwin |
| 1:30 | Wild |
| 4:00 | Wild On The Set |
| 4:30 | Animal Planet Safari |
| 5:30 | Savage Wilderness/Big Five Little Five |
| 6:30 | Battersea Dogs Home |
| 7:00 | Wednesday |
| 7:30 | Wednesday |
| 8:30 | Jeff Corwin |
| 9:30 | Wild Island/Zookeepers |
| 10:00 | Wild On The Set |
| 10:30 | Animal Planet Safari |
| 11:30 | Savage Wilderness/Big Five Little Five |
| TEN SPORTS | |
| 7:00 | The Bottom Line |
| 8:00 | WRC H/Ls: Rally Argentina |
| 9:00 | Fitness Beach |
| 9:30 | Trans World Sports |
| 10:30 | Chill Factor |
| 11:00 | Indoor Cricket WC 2002 |
| 12:00 | Western Union |
| 12:30 | Football Show |
| 1:00 | Speed |
| 1:30 | Trans World Sports |
| 2:30 | Speed |
| 3:00 | Velocity |
| 4:00 | Fitness Tennis |
| 4:30 | Gamer TV |
| 7:30 | Bajaj Caliber 115 |
| 7:35 | Sports Update |
| 7:35 | French Tennis Open |
| 9:30 | Bajaj Caliber 115 |
| 9:35 | Sports Update |
| 9:35 | French Tennis Open |
| 10:30 | Velocity |
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