

RECOMMENDATIONS

Seminar & Film show

July 24-25

Bangladesh Short Film Forum and the Liberation War Museum jointly hold a discussion session and film show at the Museum auditorium.

July 24 Documental show: Charukalay Muktiyuddho by Manjare Hasin

July 25 Short film show: Gourab by Harun or Rashid

Cartoon exhibition

July 22-24

Mokabela and Drik Picture Library are jointly holding an exhibition of the Palestinian cartoonist Najj Al-Ali at the Drik Gallery.

Play

July 23

The 22nd show of the play 'Tamasha' by the group Avantgarde will be staged at the Mahila Shamiti auditorium on 23rd July at 7.00pm.

The play has been jointly written by Mamatazuddin Ahmed, Abdul Gaffar Choudhury, Abed Khan, Muntasir Mamun, ABM Musa, Ballal Sen, Shahriar Kabir, Dr. Shubhagat, Wahidul Haque and others and has been directed by young Ashim Das who received his degree from Delhi National School of Drama.

Anniversary

July 24-26

Shwarkalpan recital circle will observe its seventh anniversary from 24 to 26 July at the Shawkat Osman auditorium of Central Public Library.

24 July at 6.00 pm

Inauguration by recitation of Abul Hassan's poetry

25 July at 6.00 pm

Honouring cultural personalities and recitation

26 July at 6.00 pm

Recitation by the guest performers

Anniversary special

Seeking beauty through fantasia Anandhabhuban beauty contest at Fantasy Kingdom

KAUSAR ISLAM AYON

FOR those who look for an outing, away from the busy routine-bound Dhaka life, Fantasy Kingdom is a nice destination. Last weekend, the crowd was still larger for the special attraction Fantasy Kingdom had to offer. It was the venue for the fortnightly

to Bangla literature. The function was graced by a good number of celebrated personalities from different fields.

The beauty contest started as the twelve contestants came on stage for their first cue at 8:30 pm. The female contestants were Mita Arefeen Badhan, Rabihat Saba, Jesmin Ferdous, Noushin Faruqui,

At the end of the ceremony the jury declared the best male and female contestant, 2003. In the male category, Johnny Mathew Parma clinched the title. Shamsul Abedeen and Komolash Roy were judged the first and second runners up respectively. In the female group, Mita Arefeen Badhan grabbed the title, and Noushin



Contestants at the fashion show, celebrating Anandhabhuban's 7th anniversary at Fantasy Kingdom, portraying their best.

Bangla magazine Anandhabhuban's 7th anniversary celebration.

The programmes included a beauty contest titled 'Who is the best?' which was perhaps the first open-to-all beauty contest ever held in the city. Anandhabhuban also honoured some of the noted personalities for their contributions in their respective fields. Mustafa Monowar, the man who revived puppetry in Bangladesh, was honoured with a lifetime achievement award by the magazine. Rabeya Khatun, another esteemed personality in the literary arena, was handed over a crest for her remarkable contributions

Razia Sultana, Monira Ferdousy and the male contestants were AKM Shamsul Abedeen, Jonny Mathew Parma, Komolash Roy, Arafat Romeo, Sarwar Hossain Saizid and Shoeb Mukhtadi. They took part in the cue one after another as part of the contest being partitioned by performances of eminent artists. Popular singers Hassan, Asif, Bappa Majumder, Shubhro Dev and Kaniz Subarna performed some of their hit numbers. Emon Saha, Jewel, Tishma and Alif presented the theme song of the competition. The dance number by Nadia, Chandni and Lincoln received applause from the audience.

Faruqui, Rabihat Saba were selected for the first and second runners up.

Anandhabhuban awarded Poppy, Tareen, Ishita, Ferdous and James for being the 'most covered models'.

Rabeya khatun and Iqbal Ahmed, the publishers of Anandhabhuban, were respectively the chief guest and special guest of the gala show. The programme was hosted by Abdunnur Tushtar while Debashish directed the raffle draw among the guests.

Film festival

Cinefan Festival of Asian cinema begins Matir Moyna enters the competitive section of the festival

PALLAB BHATTACHARYA

THE Clay Bird, a feature film directed by Tareque Masood, of Bangladesh, is among a host of entries in the competitive section of the fifth Cinefan Festival of Asian Cinema beginning here tomorrow.

It is perhaps for the first time that a film by Masood is featuring in an Indian festival and that too in the competition. The Cinefan festival is being organized by the film quarterly 'Cinemaya'.

In the last India International Film Festival of India, organized here by Indian government, Tanvir Mokammel's 'Lal Shalu' was the only Bangladeshi entry.

Seventy five films drawn from thirty countries will be screened during the weeklong Cinefan festival where the jury will be headed by octogenarian film-maker Mrinal Sen.

The festival will begin with the screening of the much-hyped film 'Hero' which had made it to the

Academy award as a nominee in the category of best foreign language film.

One of the Indian entries for the competitive section is well-known director from Kerala state T V Chandran's 'Padam Onnu: Oru Vilappam' (Lesson One: A Wail) which portrays the plight of teenage Muslim mothers in a particular area of Kerala.

The festival will also showcase 'Osama', the first film made in post-Taliban Afghanistan which earned a special mention by the jury at the prestigious Cannes festival recently.

Among the leading Indian Bengali director's films which will figure in the Cinefan festival are 'Shubho Muhurat' by Rituparno Ghosh and 'Aabar Aranya' by Gautam Ghosh who made it as a sequel to maestro Satyajit Ray's 'Aranayin Dirnatra'.

The Cinefan festival has acquired added importance in the Indian capital since the Indian government's decision to permanently shift the official Indian Interna-



Jayanta Chattyapadhyay and Rokeya Prachi, in a scene from Matir Moyna

tional Film Festival to the western state of Goa on the coast of Arabian Sea.

For lovers of meaningful cinema, Cinefan festival will undoubtedly be

the only opportunity to have a look at the latest developments of filmmaking in Asia.

TV show



Music Plus special

Today's Channel-I musical programme Music Plus, to be aired at 6:10 p.m., features a special show of modern Bangla songs by popular Nazrul Sangeet artist Yasmeen Mushtari. With the music direction of Ibrar Tipu the performance is the first of its kind by Mushtari. The programme will be hosted by Izzat Khan Shwapan.

Theatre



The beginning of Arya Theatre

The staging of the play Aadam Surat at the Central Shahid Minar recently marked the start of yet another new theatre group, Arya Theatre. Formed about five months back, the group took the time for its preparation for the staging of this play. The event was cordially attended by many eminent personalities from the country's cultural arena.

Based on a story by Munshi Prem Chand, adapted and directed by Arup Anwar, the play Aadam Surat depicts a spiritual journey in search of an ideal human being who does not have any identity as such, religious or national, nor is he a theist or an atheist.

TV GUIDE

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

News Bulletin

BTv News Headlines (Bangla) at 12:10 pm, 2:00 pm, 3:10 pm, 4:00 pm, 7:00 pm.

ATN BANGLA News (Bangla) at 8:00 am, 12:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 9:00 pm.

News (English) at 3:00 pm, 10:00 pm.

Late Night News (Bangla and English) News Headlines at 11:30 pm.

CHANNEL-i Breakfast News 07:15am, 9:00am

News (Bangla) at 7:15 pm, 9:00, 10:30, 12:15 am.

Teletext of BTv news (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm.

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News (English) at 9:00 pm.

Teletext of BTv News (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm.

Latest News (Bangla) at 09 am, 10:00 am, 11:00 am, 1pm, 2:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm, and 8:00 pm.

NTv News Headlines (Bangla) at 5:02 pm, 6:30 pm, 9:45 pm.

News (Bangla) 11:00 pm.

TARA BANGLA News (Bangla) at 5:30 pm, 7:30 pm, 9:30 pm, 11:30 pm.

Tara News Bangladesh (Bangla) at 9:30 pm.

BBC World Every hour on the hour

BTv 7:35 Shuprobhat Bangladesh

8:00 News

8:25 Documentary show

9:25 Wild Nature

9:40 News Headlines

12:10 News Headlines

12:30 Shashtha Tathya

1:00 News

2:00 News Headlines

2:05 Cartoon Film

2:30 IT Programme

3:00 News in English

3:05 Hijlotomal

3:35 Shukhi Paribar

4:00 National Football League

5:00 News

6:00 News: Desh Janapad

6:10 Shiplo O Shahitya

6:35 News Headlines

7:05 Barta Probaho

7:30 Film: Mortal Combat

8:00 News At Eight (Bangla)

8:30 Drama Series: Chokher Alo

9:00 Drama Series: Shompurna Rangin Natok

9:30 Drama Series: Hajar Ronger Shapno

10:00 News At Ten

10:35 Islamic Programme

11:00 Ananda Dhara

11:30 Late Night News/News Headlines

ATN BANGLA

8:00 ATN Bangla News

8:25 ATN Computer

Projekte

Drama Serial: Nakkhatro Drubotara

Abong

9:35 Drama Serial: Aronner Kache Fera

Asha

10:10 Drama Serial: Jal Mohol

12:00 ATN Bangla News

12:20 Akjer Sangbadpotro

12:40 Priyo Silper Priyo Gan

1:20 Bengali Feature Film: Eya Kare Beya

4:20 Cholo Gan Gai

4:50 Akjer Sangbadpotro

5:00 Gram Banglar

Sangbad

5:15 Molamat

5:50 Uro Cola Saat Rang

6:25 Islamee Sawal O Jawab

7:00 ATN Bangla Evening News

7:30 Gondoraz. Samsung Cine Aaha

8:05 Drama Serial: Thetelo Jibhon

8:40 Drama Serial: Sapner Sere

9:00 ATN Bangla News

9:25 Talk Show: Face to Face

10:00 ATN Bangla News

10:30 Music Vision

11:00 ATN Bangla News

ntv

05:02 Headlines

05:04 Century: Fame

05:32 Hello Music

06:00 Islamic Programme: Apnar Jigyasha

Headlines

06:30 CNN Documentary

07:17 Ithasher Ei Dinay

08:00 Siddika Kabir's Recipe

08:35 Shurer Jalsha (Artist-Bashir Ahmed)

09:45 Headlines

09:47 Drama Serial: Chena Chena Legacy

10:22 Sports Today

11:00 News

11:30 Drama: Aronya

12:30 Cine Gaan

HBO

8:15 Escape From New York

10:15 Rubdown

12:00 Tequila Sunrise

2:15 The Golden Child

4:15 The Big Hit

6:00 The Beautician And The Beast

8:15 Tales From The Crypt: Ep-5 & 6

9:30 The Cell

Box Office America

11:45 Ep 08

The Delta Force

12:15 STAR MOVIES

8:00 Return To Me

10:00 Taken

11:45 Jack The Bear

1:30 Driving Me Crazy

3:30 True Vinyl

5:25 Disaster

7:00 Replicant

8:40 The Hot Spot

11:00 Kiss The Bride

12:45 Return To Me

ZEE MGM

9:00 Dead Man Walking

11:30 Inferno

2:00 True Blood

4:30 Night Train

7:00 Double Impact

9:30 Birthday Girl (Nicole Kidman)

11:30 Rig 3

BBC World

6:30 World Business Report

7:30 Asia Today/Asia Business Report

8:30 Asia Today/World Business Report

9:30 Asia Today/Asia Business Report

10:30 World Business Report

11:30 World Business Report

12:30 World Business Report/Sport Today

1:30 Sci Shack Wild Report

2:15 Hardtalk

3:30 Reporter

4:30 Asia Today/World Business Report

5:30 Hardtalk

6:30 World Business Report/Sport Today

7:30 Click Online

8:30 Asia Today

9:30 Hardtalk

10:15 World Business Report

10:30 Fast Track

ZEE CINEMA

7:30 Patipatni

10:30 Bandish

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TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

HBO: 9:30 p.m. The Cell. Catharine Deane is a psychotherapist who is part of a revolutionary new treatment, which allows her mind to literally enter the mind of her patients.

STAR MOVIES: 8:40 p.m. The Hot Spot. A loner drives into a small Texas town and gets himself a job at the used car place. Being an opportunist, he checks out the bank for security and begins setting fires around town in order to set up an eventual heist.

- 12:00 Chausath Panne (Dil Naa Jane Kyon)
1:30 Lipstick
1:00 Asitva... Ek Prem Kahani
1:25 Jhalak
1:30 Kittie Party
2:00 Vishwaas
2:30 Piya Ka Ghar
3:00 Cinema Hits
6:00 Ek Nazar
6:30 Cartoon Network On Zee
7:30 Ek Nazar
8:00 Piya Ka Ghar
8:30 Pyar Zindagi Hai
9:00 Chausath Panne (Dil Naa Jane Kyan)
9:30 Asitva... Ek prem Kahani
10:00 Mit
10:30 Kittie Party

- SONY
7:30 Amrit Varsha
8:00 Sant Asaram Vani
8:30 Om Namath Shivay
9:30 Good Morning Disney
10:30 Charbusters
11:00 Music Mantra
11:30 Indian Holiday
12:00 Cook it up with Taria Dalal
12:30 Sambhav Asambhav
1:00 Kkusum
1:30 Kuch Kehi Hai Yey
2:00 Naam Kum Jayega
2:00 Kutumb
2:30 Dhadkan
3:30 Ghar Ek Mandir
4:00 Alpaviram
4:30 Kaun Apna Kaun

PICK OF THE DAY



Replicant
On Star Movies at 7:00 p.m. Jake Riley is working on the 'Torch' case, a psycho serial killer, who kills women with kids and sets them on fire after they are dead.

- 7:55 Bandhan
8:00 Film Topper - 301 Series
8:00 Shaka Laka Boom Boom
8:30 Sonpari
9:00 Kasautii Zindagii Kay
STAR GOLD
8:00 Geet Bahar
9:30 Pampara
12:30 Parampara
4:00 Geet Gata Chal
4:30 Bhavani Junction
8:30 Elaan E Jung
TARA BANGLA
7:45 Tara News Bangladesh
8:00 Kamon Jabe Aaj-Kal
8:00 Norite Fonte Rpt.
9:00 Ghare Baire Rpt
9:30 Rajni Rpt.
10:30 Kara Najar
10:30 Live Dashtay Rpt.
11:00 Live Dashtay Rpt.
11:30 Adda stop
12:00 Hoi Hullor
12:30 Tusher Agun
1:00 Fashione Bhushone
1:30 Tara Sundari
2:00 Taka Na Sona
2:30 Live Angana
3:30 Tara News Headlines
3:35 Travel Show
4:00 Antakshari Rpt.
4:30 TVC
5:00 Ei Prithivi
5:30 Tara News Headlines
5:35 Akjer Shironaam
6:00 Nonte Fonte
6:30 Howzzat Hungama
7:32 Tara News Headlines
7:37 Hoi Hullor

8:30 Ek Akasher Niche

9:10 Ananya

9:50 Spandan

10:27 Jhankar

10:30 Alpha Khabar

11:00 Jodi Prem Dile Na Prane

11:30 Nilu Hazrar Hatya Rahasya