RECOMMENDATIONS

International **Dance Day**

On the occasion of the International Dance Day Nrityadhara has organised a cultural and discussion programme in the Mahila Shamiti auditorium at 7:00 pm. The organisation will also award an eminent dancer for her contribution to the dance sector

of the country on the occasion.

May 02-03

The launching ceremony of the book Surviving Dreams: the Struggling Circuses of Bangladesh by Pierre Claquin will be held at the Alliance Francaise (26, Mirpur road, Dhanmondi R/A) at 6:30 pm on May 2. The book will be launched again at the Tribal Craft (House-56, Road-7/A, Block-H, Banani) at 5:30 pm on May 3.

Exhibition

April 26- May 08

A 12-day long painting exhibition of five renowned contemporary artists will be held at Haque Art Gallery, Gulshan from April 26. Thirty five paintings on oil, tempera, acrylic and mixed media by Mahmudul Haque, Abdus Sakur Shah, Rokeya Sultana, Kanak Chanpa Chakma and Khalid Mahmood Mithu will be displayed in the exhibition

April 01-29

Russian Cultural Centre has arranged a photo and stamp exhibition on aviation and cosmonautics to celebrate the International Day of Cosmonautics and Aviation at the center's

Sculpture

April 13-30

British Council Bangladesh holds a bamboo sculpture exhibition at its compound at 5 Fuller Road. The display presents works of 9 sculptors and two traditional bamboo artisans. The display remains open from 10 am to 7 pm daily.

Music

The Indian High Commission in Dhaka, in conjunction with the Indian Council for Cultural Relations, will present a light classical music programme by Penaz Masani at 7 pm at the Osmani Memorial Hall, Dhaka.

Film Show

May 02

The Embassy of the Republic of Korea holds a Show of Korean film Reversal of Fortune on May 2 at 5:00pm at the Korean Embassy (4 Madani Avenue, Baridhara, Dhaka 1212).

Indian Cultural Centre will screen nine Indian movies at the centre's auditorium (House-25, Road-96 Gulshan-2) at 6:00 pm on every Monday and Thursday. The schedule is given below: May 3 Chunke Se May 6 Zubeida May 10 Pardes May 13 Saathiya May 17 Sangam May 20 Mr. & Mrs. Iyer May 24 Namak Halal May 27 Dil Chahata Hai May 31 Rangeela. For complimentary tickets please contact Rajib Bhattacharya (8820243-7.9888789-91)

Celebration



Sharmila portraying the Odissi dance form

OR quite some years now dancers of the world have been celebrating 29th of April as the International Dance Day, as designated by the Dance Committee of the International Theatre Institute (ITI). In Bangladesh too this has steadily gained acceptance and the Bangladesh Nrittoshilpi Shongstha - the umbrella organization of Bangladeshi dancers too chalks out a programme every year to mark

It is usual too for the Dance Committee of ITI to send out a message every year. This year's message has been penned by Stephen Page, an

International Dance Day

SHARMILA BANDOPADHAYA

Artistic Director and choreographer from Australia. The message, from the South-East Queensland dancer descended from the Nunkul people of Stradbroke Island, highlights the universality of the language of dance used equally among communities far apart and varied. It goes

Dance is the original most ancient form of human expression. Through the body and physical language, dance has a powerful connection with the emotional and spiritual

In traditional Aboriginal culture, dance is the core, like a kind of sacred medicine. Dance is grounded, connected to the spirit of Mother Earth. Unless you surrender to the dance you can't hunt quietly. It is an integral part of human existence.

When I create a new dance work I ask the dancers to swallow and digest the traditional seed, to sense the innate code within so that we can transform the traditional essence to the contemporary world. Dance is the universal language. It represents

human identity and a celebration of the human spirit. Dance is the artistic heart of kinship. It is a sacred universal remedy. - Stephen Page

In Bangladesh today, undoubtedly, dance has come a long way. Learning to sing and dance is part and parcel of the life of most urban children. In recent years dedicated researchers have identified a few rudimentary folk forms and efforts are being made to at least document them. A

number of young dancers who have studied the classical forms of India are presently running popular dance institutions and have successfully tutored a number of students who are poised to take up the responsibility of performing and teaching dance to another generation of students. Unfortunately though, patronisation of dance has reached an amazing low. Efforts made by our dancers get very little recognition from the media, in particular, which tends to promote glamorous 'models' as dancers rather than the large number of boys and girls who have dedicated a number of years to the serious practice of dance under the able guidance of teachers. When it comes to recognition through awards, few organisations designate dance as a specialized category and mostly ignore the work done by dancers. Heartbreaking too is the fact that BTV too has recently striked out one of its two weekly dance programs dedicated to classical dance forms.

In spite of the above set backs, it is to the credit of dancers of Bangladesh that this art form continue to grow and our dancers are receiving recognition in the competitive arena of dance in our neighboring country too. The Bangladesh Nritto Shilpi Shongstha and other organisations have taken dance to the corners of Bangladesh through dance workshops and performances.

So, this Dance day the dancers of Bangladesh have much to celebrate though there is still a lot of work to be done.

Musical night

Penaz Masani in town

visiting Indian cultural troupe, led by the notable singer Penaz Masani, will perform a light classical and popular musical show at the Osmani Memorial Hall on Friday, the 30th. This show is organised by the High Commission of India in Dhaka in association with the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), says a press release

Penaz Masani is a celebrated name in India, amongst the many ghazal lovers. Since 1981, she has cut over 20 discs and sung in over 10 languages. She has also moulded her own voice to render a vast range of ghazals, starting from the traditional to the more modern forms She cut her first album in 1981 entitled Aap ki bazm mein

Swinging with the times, Penaz has begun to adapt to the mod beat. She entered the Pop world with her album Tu dil de de, which topped the charts on Channel V and MTV. Penaz is also one of the first female ghazal singers to have been awarded a Platinum Disc.

The programme will start at 7:00 pm at the Osmani Memorial Hall. Apart from the performance at Dhaka, the troupe will also perform at Chittagong on May 1 Complimentary passes can be collected from the High Commission of India, Information & Culture Wing, House no. 2, Road no. 142, Gulshan-1, Dhaka



Penaz Masani

Video

Premiere show of documentary 'Child Struggle'

The premiere show of Child Struggle, a documentary video was held on April 27 at the Estee Centre, Elephant Road, says a press release. A Rising Sun production, the story revolves around a 10year-old boy Mizan, who ferries people across the river Bongshai which comes down from the Assam Hilltracts, dividing his village Loshkorpur and Chalasorai. This is



A scene from the documentary

the only way that Mizan can keep

On the occation of International Dance Day the attention of

the wider public is drawn towards the art of dance. In Bangla-

desh, cultural performances and rallies will be held to mark

this day. Novera Deepita of *The Daily Star* spoke to five

eminent dancers to gather the significance of this

day and how they intend to spend it.

Often due to poverty, he cannot afford good quality food. One day, after a meal, Mizan suffers an attack of diarrhea. Despite the fact

hospital. Mizan never returns alive. The video has been directed and produced by Shomir Faruk and was edited by Md. Shahid Ullah

that his mother takes him to the

A day to dance

Positive change towards dance apparent in society



Shibli Mohammad: The International Dance Day is celebrated all over the world with enthusiasm. It would be simply marvelous if all the dancers of Bangladesh could jointly organise a show on this special day. Nrittyanchal was planning to organise a programme in the school premises today but it is unfortunate that the opposition party has called a hartal (general strike). Our plan has been postponed for the time being.

very important because dance is an ancient and popular art form of this land. This day is celebrated worldwide. Here in our country we also celebrate it with enthusiasm and our organisation Nrityadhara has arranged a programme where I

Tamanna Rahman: This day is



Farzana Riya Chowdhury: Dance is given low priority in our country. However, we can make the people more interested in dance by celebrating this International Dance Day. It is a great occasion for us. And it is a very important occasion to expose and promote dance among the common people.



Sohel Rahman: The International Dance Day is important because it helps us to work together. We the dancers demand a separate stage for dance performances. The members of the Bangladesh Dancers Society always arranges different programmes on this day. This year will not be an exception. However, I regret that the hartal will hamper our programmes this year. Although dancers are usually apolitical, they are not out of reach of the country's politics. I really wish the dancers would have a united front.

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Pet Nation

Pinscher

Waterdog

Pet Nation

Shadows

Elephant

Dawn to Dusk

Wild Encounters Lions

Pet Nation Unexpected

Pet Nation Best Laid

Pet Nation Mommy

Pet Nation Doberman

Pet Nation Portuguese

Lords of the Animals

The Father of Camels

The Human Touch

Gorilla Encounters

The Human Touch

Wolves at our Door

Little Brother of the

Lemmings Dare

Wild Encounters White

Wild Encounters Hyrax

Wild Encounters Where

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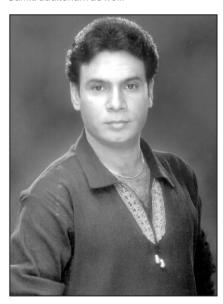
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Anisul Islam Hero: Our organisation Nrityadhara began celebrating this day several years ago. Previously I used to arrange programmes for the International Dance Council. Since I was the executive member of the Council, I took the initiative to celebrate the day with the dancers of our country. We organise rallies and cultural programmes every year on this day. Nrityadhara will give an award to an eminent dancer on this occasion and we have organised a cultural programme at the Mahila Samiti auditorium as well



Goals! (R)

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Depot Championship

Espn School Quiz 2004

Final Round(R)

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Espn School Quiz 2004

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Sportscenter India (L)

Wrestling Apple Crush

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Archive Programming

Decade Of Great Goals

Sportscenter India (R)

Espn School Quiz 2004

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TV GUIDE

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

News Bulletin

News Headlines (Bangla) at 8:55 am.12:10 pm. 2:00 pm. 3:00 pm. 4:00 pm. 7:00 pm. News (Bangla) at **8:00 am 1:00 pm.5:00** pm.8:00 pm.

News (English) at 3:00 pm. 10:00 pm. Late Night News (Bangla and English) 11:30 pm

CHANNEL-i

Breakfast News 7:15 am. 9:00am News (Bangla) at 7:15 pm, 9:00, 10:30, 12:15 am. Telecast of BTV news (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm.

ATN BANGLA

News (Bangla) at 8:00 am. 12:00 pm. 7:00 pm. 10:00 pm, 11:00 pm. Telecast of BTV News (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm. Latest News (Bangla) at 9 a.m,10:00 am, 11:00 am.1pm. 2:00 pm.3:00 pm. 4:00pm.6:00 pm and 8:00 pm.

News Headlines (Bangla) at 10:00 am.

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TARA BANGLA NewsHeadlines(Bangla) at 5:30 pm.

BBC WORLD

Every hour on the hour

7:30 pm. Tara News (Bangla) at 8:30 pm. 11:30 Tara News Bangladesh (Bangla) at 9:30 07:35 Bangladesher Hridoy Shongbad Potrer Pata 12:30 Shasthya Tatthya Selected Programme 01:05 02:05 Computer Protidin 02:30 Open University

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Tritiyo Matra 11:00 Agora Shopping Guide 11:30 Kichhu Megh Kichhu Chithi Pelam Medha Bikash 12:25 Ebong Cinemar Gaan 02:00 Pryio Natok 04:00 Banglar Gaan 04:30 Dekhar Gaan Shonar

Sa Re Ga Ma Music Plus Amar Chhob Drama Serial: Keboli Rat Hoye Jay 08:25 Drama Serial: Sharey Tin Tala

Drama Serial

Ranadhanu Rana Close Up Hit Wave **ATN BANGLA**

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Katha Dao TARA BANGLA

10:00 Stump Cam 11:30 Antakshari 12:00 Syllebusey Nei 12:30 Serial Jug 1:00 Swapner Rang Nil 2:00 Taka Na Sona 2:30 Live Aai Sudhu Prem 4:00 State Govt. Lottery 4:30 Tarpor Chand Uthlo 5:00 Stump Cam 6:00 Nonte Fonte 6:30 Taka Na Sona 7:00 Sree Ramkrishna 7:30 Antakshari

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zzaman, Joya Ahsan, Intekhab Dinar

Drama Serial

Desert Hawk

Osmosis Jones

Night of the Creeps

Tremors 3: Back to

Black Hawk Down

Evolution

Tuff Turf

Tollbooth

Peter Gun

12 Monkeys

PICK OF THE DAY

Ronger Manush On ntv at 8:10 pm **Drama Serial** Tania Ahmed, Wahida Mallik Jolly, ATM Shamsuzzaman, Bonya Mirza

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Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii

Kvunki Saas Bhi Kabhi

Saara Akaash

Kahiin To Hoga

Kaahin Kissi Roz

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STAR WORLD

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Fox Kids

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The Pianist

The Frighteners

Marines Margin

Shark Attack 3

American Girl

Pyar Ka Devta

Operation Gold

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STAR GOLD

STAR PLUS



Mohona On ATN Bangla at 09:30 pm **Drama Serial** Humaun Faridee. Shahiduzzaman Selim, Afsana Mimi, Tarin

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Mac Gyver Oprah Winfrey 12:00 Bold And Beautiful Hollywood Squares **DISCOVERY**

Whose Line Is It Anywa

7:30 Home Improvement 8:00 Friends 8:30 Just Shoot Me 9:00 American Idol 10:00 Life After Baywatch 11:00 For Love Or Money 12:00

Miami Vice

The Simpsons

ANIMAL PLANET Wild Encounters

12:30 Around the World with 1:30 The Human Touch Eye

The Human Touch

Baywatch

Colours of the Orinoco Wildlife Specials Polar Bear Arctic Warrior

12:30 1:00 Wedding Story 1:30 Body Challenge 2:30 3:30 Wild Discovery Menacing Waters 4:30 Popular Mechanics for Kids Navy Seals 5:00 Real Kids Real Adventures Cliffhanger Globe Trekker

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Wild Tech Seeing Past is Wild/Future is 11:30 Wild Valley of the T-Rex House to Home Shermella & James New Detectives Dead in

Queensland & The

Great Barrier Reet

Junkyard Wars

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Wrestling Apple Crush Superskills West Indies Vs Rest Of The World Behind The Fights

Espn School Quiz 2004 (R)

Sportsline (L)

Futbol Mundial (T)

Visionless Valet

A Sense of Scale Wild Tech Seeing

Past is Wild/Future is

Master of the Spirits

Celebrity Doubles

Highlights (R)

Beach Hour

China (T)

STAR SPORTS

Wild Valley of the T-Rex

Once upon a time, in the

English Premier League

Diving Fina Grand Prix

English Premier Footba

League 2003/04 (R)

Gymnastics Fig World

Cup 2004/05 Rio De

Janeiro Rj Brazil (R)

Tennis Masters Series

Monte-Carlo Presented

By Hsbc Monte Carlo

Monaco Highlights (R)

Entertainment Sports

Yachting 2003/2004

The Sydney Hobart

Yachting Spirit Of

Mania (T)

Drama(T)

Diving 2004 Zhuhai

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11:00 Marciano Vs Walcott/Louis/Moore (T) 12:00 Kiana's Flex Appeal (T) **ESPN**

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Sportscenter India (R)

WI v Eng: 4th ODI H/Ls Trans World Sports ATP Tennis Gamer TV 12:30 Gillette World Sport 2:30 WI v Eng: 4th ODI H/Ls 4:30 **Qualifier Story** 5:30 6:30 The Bottom Line

TEN SPORTS

7:30 8:00 9:00 11:00 12:00

South American WC Trans World Sports Olympic Century: Part 1 Football Week Trans World Sports WI v Eng: 4th ODI H/Ls The Bottom Line