

Nazrul anniversary celebration May 10-12

Nazrul Sangeet Shilpi Parishad will hold a three-day long Nazrul conference starting May 10. The conference will be held at the National Musuem everyday from 5pm. State Minister for Cultural Affairs Begum Salima Rahman will inaugurate the programme. Special guests -- former Chief Justice Mustafa Kamal and Secretary, Cultural Affairs Mudabbir Hossain Chowdhury will be present.

Rabindra anniversary celebration May 08-10

Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy organises a three-day programme to celebrate the 143rd birth anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore

Book fair. 3pm to 6pm, the exhibition hall of the National Museum Discussion session, 4pm, May 9, the Seminar Hall of Bangla Academy.

Photography

May 06-31 Alliance Française holds a photography exhibition of four amateur artistes, Laura, Rumi,

Mushtague and Naser Venue: Exhibition hall at the Alliance Française

Film show

May 03-31

Indian Cultural Centre will screen nine Indian movies at its auditorium (House-25, Road-96, Gulshan-2). Every Monday and Thursday at 6:00

May 10 Pardes May 13 Saathiya May 17 Sangam May 20 Mr. & Mrs. Iver May 24 Namak Halal May 27 Dil Chahata Hai May 31 Rangeela. For complimentary tickets contact Rajib Bhattacharya (8820243-7,

Jacques Tati Retrospective

Organiser: Zahir Raihan Film Society

School for Postmen Mr. Hulot's Holiday 7pm: Mon Oncle (My Uncle)

May 11 5pm: Mon Oncle (My Uncle)

7pm: Evening Classes Jour de fete (Holiday) Venue: Alliance Francaise Road No. 3, Dhanmondi Cinema

Jacques Tati's world of Mr Hulot Tagore through

Zahir Raihan Film Society screens six films by Jacques Tati at the Alliance Française of Dhaka

SABBIR CHOWDHURY

ACQUES Tati is considered as the French Buster Keaton or Charlie Chaplin. He is the best French comic actor since Max Linder. As an actor and an auteur filmmaker. Tati has shown immense talent in portraving characters down to their essential comic details. The prolonged production of his films can be compared to those famous for multiple and meticulous takes of a single shot.like his compatriot Robert Bresson or Italian Michelangelo Antonioni. This



Jacques Tati, centre, looking through the camera

often led to belated making of the films which always exceeded the production deadline as well as the budget. In a career spanning over three decades, Tati only made six feature films and a few shorts! One of the features was made for the television.

Jacques Tatischeff, of Russian-Dutch-Italian-French descent, was born on October 9, 1908. His birthplace was Le Pecq in France. Though



Mr Hulot's Holiday (1953)

he received art training so that he could enter his father's art restoration and picture-framing business, he was drawn by sports, especially rugby which he played professionally

He discovered his talent for entertaining at rugby club suppers. and went into music halls, where his speciality was a comic mime of sportsmen. He acted in several comic shorts in the 1930s, which included Watch Your Left (1936) by Rene Clement. He then acted in small roles in two films by Claude Autant-Lara in the mid-1940s. He directed his own short School for Postmen in 1947. This short feature impressed the audience as well as the producer so much that he wanted it to be expanded into Tati's first feature Jour de fete (Holiday, 1949). Les Vacances de Monsieur Hulot (Mr Hulot's Holiday, 1953) followed. The film saw the creation of a new comic hero Mr Hulot, who is



My Uncle (1958)

as distinctive and endearing as Chaplin's Charlie. This was followed by Mon Oncle

(My Uncle, 1958), Playtime (1968), Trafic (Traffic, 1971) and Parade (1974). The comic character Mr Hulot comes recurrently in his films. Tati says about his comedy, "At heart, Hulot is never aware of what's going on. Charlie, faced with a difficulty, something that impedes him, has ideas, finds a way out, modifies and interpretes the impediment. Hulot never does anything intentionally, assumes nothing, constructs nothing." In Mr Hulot, Tati created a gan-

gling, awkward character whose peculiar gait and odd misadventures set him apart from the gadgetobsessed world around him. Mr Hulot remained Tati's alter-

Sabbir Chowdhury, a film critic and activist, ego in four of his six feature films. Jahangirnagar University, Dhaka. Hulot's universe is an island of sanity and warm humanity sur-



Traffic (1971)

rounded by a sea of antiseptic modernity. Hulot dislikes modernity as did his creator Jacques Tati. An exclusive use of the long shot gives an unforced quality to the comedy, and shows the intimate relation of the comic character to his surroundings; in the same way, although dialogue itself is minimal, the soundtrack is rich in subtle absurdities. The originality and the unique quality of his work assured him of a leading position in the pantheon of movie comedy. Jacques Tati died in 1982, before realising his seventh feature film project Confusion, which he couldn't even start due to unavailabity of fund or a producer!

teaches in the Department of English at

Tagore evening

the lens of Ray

Rendition of Tagore's work at Spectra Convention Centre

AFSAR AHMED

ncorporating dramatised sequences from Gurudev's (as Tagore's disciples call him) life and archived images and documents, the unforgettable film maker Satyajit Ray captured this great soul of Bangali culture on celluloid. The 54 minute black and white documentary was made to celebrate Tagore's birth centenary in May 1961. Hence, this was an official portrait of India's celebrated poet; Ray consciously did not include any controversial aspects of Tagore's life. This rare piece of documentary film was screened at the end of the cultural programme organised by the Spectra Convention Centre to mark the 143rd birth anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore a great poet and prime mover of the 19th



Rokeya Prachi

Winner of the President's Gold Medal, New Delhi and Golden Seal. Locarno in 1961 and Special Mention. Montevideo, in 1962; this film depicts a skilful and richly life-affirming composition of the original footage and collage of still images. The film begins with the Nobel Laureate's childhood and adolescence-- his private, domestic life. The sequences of young Tagore in his early ages are moving and lyrical.

In Ray's words, 'Ten or twelve minutes of the film are among the most moving and powerful things that I have produced'. Gradually it unfolds his public life, emphasising the great political movements to which he contributed, which gradually led to ndia's independence. The original footage is drawn from the archived documents. However, a time span of 54 minutes seemed inadequate to describe the great poet.

The tribute started with the recitation of one of Tagore's patriotic song Deshey deshey bhromi and his prose Shandhva o probhat by renowned cultural personality Aly Zaker. He said about Tagore, 'An artist, reaching such heights like Tagore, can prophesise the future.' Then Sushmita Ahmed rendered Tagore's songs like Shandhya holo go, Amar mon manena and others. Acclaimed actress Rokeya Prachi gave a recitation from the poem Banshiwala. This was highly appreciated by the select audience.

Mita Haq performed Tagore's patriotic songs, such as Tomari torev . Ma shopinu e deho, Deshey deshey bhromi and Bertho praner aborjona with her usual eloquence. Other romantic songs such as Tumi ki keboli chhobi, Amar praner manush acche



A still from the documentary

praney and, Hridoyer ekul okul were also performed at the programme.

After the exclusive session of Mita, actor Litu Anam recited the poem Ekjon Lok. Seasoned theatre and TV actress Lucky Enam's exceptional performance portrayed the character of Nandini from Rakta Karobi. At the

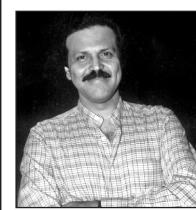


end, the rare documentary on Tagore was shown. The occasion was conducted by singer Hasan Abidur Reza Jewel. Spectra's attempt to screen this documentary is indeed praiseworthy

Happy returns...

I am very organised--Tarique

Well-known actor **Tarique Anam Khan** (TAK) recently spoke to The Daily Star's (TDS) Shilpi Mahalanabish on the occasion of his birthday today. Here are some excerpts from the interview.



TDS: Tell us about your theatre

TAK: The drama Match-maker will be staged by middle of July. And alongside directing I will also be acting

TDS: How many of your TV dramas are now being aired?

TAK: Two mega serials--Baj Pakhi and Shongshoy. There are offers for a few TV dramas as well. If the plays are upto my liking, I will possibly take up some of them.

TDS: You have also acted in the big screen. What about your future

TAK: I hope to act in the film Joyjatra directed by Towquir Ahmed. TDS: Are you writing any drama?

TAK: Not at the moment. I will when I get the opportunity. TDS: You work in different media-advertising, TV and stage drama along with films. How do you plan your schedule? TAK: I am a very organised person and divide my time accordingly.

TDS: Do you want your son to be involved in the media in future?

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TAK: He is more interested in working behind the screen. He may work in

Small screen

Friends bid good-bye

51 million tune in for Friends finale

AP, New York

In the end, Rachel, Ross, Joey, Phoebe, Monica and Chandler had a lot of friends. An estimated 51.1 million people tuned in for the final Friends on NBC Thursday night, watching the crowd-pleasing story line of Ross and Rachel declaring their undying love for each other.

That makes it the fourth most-watched television series finale ever. behind M-A-S-H (105 million in 1983), Cheers (80.4 million in 1993) and Seinfeld (76.2 million in 1998), according to Nielsen Media most popular entertain-

Research. It was also the A scene from the last ever episode of Friends ment program on television since the concluding episode of the first Survivor, watched by 51.7 million in August 2000.

Of more than 30,000 people to respond to an America Online poll, 77 percent said rekindling Ross and Rachel's romance was the perfect ending

How's that!

Drama serial Sharey Tin Tala hits a century

ERSHAD KAMOL

Krishnachura, a production house, recently organised a cricket match at the police line ground in Uttara. The occasion marked the 100th episode of the mega-serial Sharey Tin Tala. The programme will be telecast on May 25 on At 10 a.m. the artistes and the technical crew went to the

venue to play the friendly match where actor Shahiduzzaman Selim led the artistes' team while Amlan Biswas was the captain of the technical crew. Winning the toss, the artistes went to bat first. In the 10-over match, the crew won the match by 7 wickets in 6 overs. Female artistes as well as the family members and

friends of the Sharey Tin Tala team were there to enjoy the match, Famous artistes like Zahid Hasan, Sharmili Ahmed. Rosy Siddiqui and others gave the commentary.

Losing the first match, the artistes demanded yet another After bargaining for a while with the other went to bat again. This time scoring 105 they won the match by 54 runs.

Senior artiste A T M Shamsuzza-man joked with the others, 'I used to play cricket with an original cricket ball. My mastery in cricket is obvious with the fact that I hit two wick-

ets in just one over with the tennis ball! Captain of the artistes team Shahiduzzaman Selim said. In my student life I played for my department at the Univer-

sity. I always enjoy a game of cricket. The other members of the artistes' team were Khairul Alam Shobuj, Azad Abul Kalam, Intekhab Dinar, Pantha Shahriar and others.

One of the directors of the mega serial Amlan Biswas, the



IV stars-turned-cricketers gather to celebrate thei 100th episode

captain of the crew said, 'Since we won the scheduled match. I think, we should be declared as the winners. Organiser of the cricket match, Afsana Mimi, said, 'This

was just a fun get-together. To celebrate the 100th episode we decided to play cricket, as we often play during leisure time and also between shootings.

After the tiring match the team engaged in an adda Sanjana Khan presented the title song of the mega serial, which added more amusement to their celebration.

Krisshna Ariun

Kahiin To Hoga

Kaahin Kissi Roz

Adventure Challenge

Built For Destruction

Toyota World Of Wildlife

Hornets: A Sting In The

Croc Chronicles S2

Sloth:The 7th Deadly

National Geographic

Wildlife Detectivies

Dogs With Jobs

Sipadan:Secrets Of The

Croc Chronicles S2

Time Of The Elephants

National Geographic

Wildlife Diary

Built For The Kill

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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

BTV

pm.8:00 pm.

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

. 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,

Telecast of BTV news (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm. **ATN BANGLA** News (Bangla) at 8:00 am. 12:00 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.

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7:00 pm. 10:00 pm, 11:00 pm.

12:00 am. 5:00 pm. 6:15 pm. 9:30 pm. News (Bangla) 7:30 am. 2:00 pm. 7:30 pm.10:30 pm. Telecast of BTV News (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm

News Headlines (Bangla) at 10:00 am.

TARA BANGLA NewsHeadlines(Bangla) at 5:30 pm. 7:30 pm.

Tara News (Bangla) at 8:30 pm. 11:30 Tara News Bangladesh (Bangla) at 9:30

BBC WORLD

Every hour on the hour

BTV 07:30

09:00

Bangladesher Hridoy Satellite programme Shongbad Potrer Pata

12:30 Health Bulletin 01:05 01:30 Shilpo o sahitya 02:05 Computer round 02:30 Grastha bhubon 03:35 Drama 04:05 Lekha para

04:30 Open University National Television 05:05 School debate News for children 05:55 Samakalin Arthoneeti Nazrul programme 06:35 Dance show: Nritter

07:05 Children's theatre 07:30 Drama: Aalo chayya 08:30 Drama: Hoyto tomar 09:30 10:35 Rangdhonu

CHANNEL-i 09:45 Tritivo Matra (Tagore Special) 11:30 Ekanno borti 12:00 Chithi Pelam

12:30 Sharey teen tala 01:00 Ebong Cinemar Gaan 01:30 Sangbadpatrey Bangladesh and public reaction 02:00

Bangla film: Rajar bha (Moushumi/Rubel) 04:00 Bangla songs Toyota Wild Life 05:00 Sa Re Ga Ma 06:10 Music Plus 06:45 Drama Serial: Jahu

07:55 Drama Serial: Keboli Raat Hoye Jay 09:35 Thief of Baghdad 10:00 Drama Serial: Juboraj

09:00 Khabor Deshey Deshey Museum Around The 09:30 World 10:02 Hello Music Dhakar Cinema: 10:30 Money Rekho amay 02:30 Zoo Adventure 03:05 Drama Serial: Teen Purush

04:15 Medhabi 05:10 Itihasher Ei Diney 05:40 Apnar Jigyasha 06:20 Shubho Shondhya Khaborer 06:50 Shondhaney 08:10 Drama Serial: Sporshel

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Drama Serial:

Shaft Center Stage My Bloody Valentine Head Over Heels The Ladies Man Striking Distance Charlie's Angels The Screaming Room Dracula Goes to Hollywood Three to Tango

Ghost Dog: The Way o

the Samurai

Center Stage

Aajker Shakal Jhankar

Charlie's Angels On HBO at 9:30 pm Genre: Action / Comedy / Adventure Cameron Diaz, Drew Barrymore, Lucy Liu

Jaan Tere Naam (Rohit

Roy Farheen)

Mother Special:

Masoom (Omkar

Avesha Jhulka)

Urmila)

Sridevi)

Manny & Lo

The Telephone

The Last of The

The Leading Man

Monday Everyone

Says I Love You

Life is Beautiful

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Kapoor Inder Kuma

ZEE CINEMA

PICK OF THE DAY

Sporsher Bairey On ntv at 8:10 pm Drama Serial Suborna Mustafa, Azad Abul Kalam, Zahiruddin Piar

8:30

DISCOVERY

Models

Classic Discovery:

Secrets of the Buried

Fashion Street: Super

Baby Stories: Baby

Fat Free: A lot to Los

New Detectives

Patterns of Guilt

I Love My Music

Globe Trekker:

Venezuela

Wild Discovery

Colour of War: Slow to 9:30

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On MGM at 9:30 pm

Everyone Says I Love You Genre: Comedy / Musical / Romance Edward Norton, Drew Barrymore, Diva

Animal Planet Showcase: Apes 3:30 Pet Nation

ANIMAL **PLANET**

Animal Planet Tracking Deadly Viper Schlessinger: Physic Nose in Borneo Science in Action Martial Arts: Kung Fu

Wild Discovery: Moose-Spirit of the North Classic Discovery Secrets of the Buried Colour of War: Slow to

World's Best: World's

Best Thrill Parks FBI Files: Home

Showcase: Biggest Wild Encounters: Body On the Edge: Lion Crawl On the Edge: Out of Balance Down Under

4:00 Pet Nation 4:30 Pet Nation: Fetch 5:00 Pet Nation Pet Nation: Siberian 5:30 Huskv Pet Nation: Saluk Pet Nation 7:00 Pet Nation

7:30 From Cradle to Grave In the Company of Crocodiles 8:30 On the Edge: Lion Feedina 9:30 On the Edge: Sympathy for the Devil **Animal Planet** Showcase: The Heart of

Call of the Wolf

STAR MOVIES

From Cradle to Grave

8:15 The Princess Diaries 10:15 The Underneath 12:00 Hocus Pocus 1:45 330 When The Party's Over

5:25 The End Of The Affair 7:00 Predator 8:45 Rattled 10:30 12:00 When Good Ghouls Go

STAR GOLD 8:30 Sghitfilmein

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Shaka Laka Boom Boom

Fox Kids 11:00 Meri Saheli 11:30 Samnewali Khidki 12:00 Tanha 1:00 Kasautii Zindagii Kay 1:30 Kumkum- Pyara Sa Bandhan 2:00 Bhabhi 2:30 Kesar 3:00 Kabhi Aaye Na Judai 3:30

Fox Kids

Bandhan

Series

Boom

Kumkum- Pvara Sa

Shaka Laka Boom

Series

9:30 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi 11:30 Kahiin To Hoga Kaahin Kissi Roz Series Samnewali Khidki

STAR SPORTS Ladies European Tour -Aami Women's Australia

Open New South Wales Australia Highlights(T) Tennis Telecom Italia Masters Rome Italy Highlights(T) English Premier Football 12:30

Manchester United Vs. Chelsea (T) Super 12 Rugby 2004 Brisbane Australia Queensland Reds Vs Nsw Waratahs Round Race Day Barcelona

Spain Spanish Grand

Prix(R) 5:15 Formula One World Championships Barcelona Spain Spanish Grand Prix(R) Chequered Flag: Formula One Barcelona Spain Spanish Grand

Prix(R) Sportsline (L) 8:30 Spanish Football League (R) 10:30 Sportsline (R) 11:00 Hitz (R) The Story Of The Uefa 11:30 European Football Championships Euro

1984(T) 12:00 Kiana's Flex Appeal (T) Havden Turner's Wildlife **ESPN** Sri Lanka Tour Of Toyota World Of Wildlife

Zimbabwe 1st Test Day 4 Highlights(R) Sri Lanka Tour Of Zimbabwe 1st Test Day 5 1st Session(L) Espn School Quiz 2004 Sri Lanka Tour Of Zimbabwe1st Test Day 5 2nd & 3rd Session(L Sportscenter India (L) English Premier League

League 2003/04

Highlights (T) Swimsuit 2001 Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders Calendar (T)

Sportscenter India (R) Espn School Quiz 2004