RECOMMENDATIONS



Nazrul anniversary celebration

May 10-12 Nazrul Sangeet Shilpi Parishad is holding a three-day long Nazrul

conference at the National Musuem everyday from 5pm

Photography

Alliance Francaise is holding a photography exhibition of four amateur artistes, Laura, Rumi, Mushtague and Naser at its exhibition

Film show

May 03-31 Indian Cultural Centre is screening Indian movies at its auditorium (House-25, Road-96, Gulshan-2) every Monday and Thursday at 6:00

May 13 Saathiya May 17 Sangam May 20 Mr. & Mrs. Iyer May 24 Namak Hala May 27 Dil Chahata Hai

May 31 Rangeela. For complimentary tickets contact Rajib Bhattacharya (8820243-7, 9888789-91)

Jacques Tati Retrospective

Organiser: Zahir Raihan Film Society Venue: Alliance Francaise, Road No. 3, Dhanmondi

5pm: Mon Oncle (My Uncle) 7pm: Evening Classes Jour de fete (Holiday)

Lost world



Visitors admire the skeletal which lived in the middle Jurassic, some 160 million years ago, discovered on the site where the Zigong Dinosaur Museum now stands, in China's southwestern Sichuan province 30 April 2004. Dinosaurs of the Jurassic age lay down to die here, forming a cemetery of an estimated 30,000 square meters.

Book launch

Photographs home in on circuses

Dr Pierre Claquin's book Surviving Dreams: The Struggling Circuses of Bangladesh launched at the Alliance Francaise

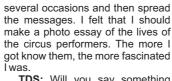


Dr Pierre Claquin, who has held a number of exhibitions of his photographs of the people of Bangladesh, brought out his book, Surviving Dreams: The Struggling Circuses of Bangladesh at the Alliance Francaise. Michel Lummaux, the French Ambassador, launching the book, praised Dr Claquin for making the Bangladeshis aware of the existence of life in the countryside. He said the subjects of some of the photos were such that Bangladeshi viewers thought that the photos were decades old. He also praised Dr Claquin for his relentless work as a physician for the people of Bangladesh since the Liberation War. Dr Claquin is presently based in Jakarta and works for the European

Given below is Pierre Claquin's (PC) interview with Fayza Haq of The Daily Star (TDS).

TDS: Is the book a compilation of photographs, that you've taken over the years, some of which have featured in the pages of TDS ear-

PC: It is not a compilation of photographs that I've taken before. This is a separate, individual project. There was an exhibition during The Chhobi Mela in November 2002 and I presented 30 pictures at Alliance Française based on the theme of the circus. In the course of my work. I began to contact circuses which I felt were an interesting subject. I hoped that they would work with us in disseminating messages on polio eradication. Many people go to the circus every day and I thought that my companions and I could interrupt the show on



TDS: Will you say something more about yourself, your medical background. How did you get into photography and the pictures in the

PC: I'm a public health medical doctor. In the past five years that I prepared the book, I was in a project funded by USAID. The circuses were held all over Bangladesh.

There are 120 photographs, all black and white, accompanied by comments but these do not immediately face the photos. I decided to put them at the end of the book with a vignette of the pictures.

TDS: Why did you choose the circus rather than anything else in

in the circuses

Programme ends today

ATN BANGLA

Sinbad

The Adventure of

Bangla Feature Film:

Uro Cola Saat Rang

Islami Sawal O Jawab

Drama Serial: Nei

Chirokumar Shabha

Musical Programme

Special Programme

Bangla Feature Film:

Tarpor Chand Uthlo

Swapner Rang Nil

Taka Na Sona

Music

Jug

Chhakbaii

Probaho

Nonte Fonte

Serial-Jug

In Her Defense

Novocaine

Taka Na Sona

Sree Ramkrishna

Bhai Aamar Bha

TARA BANGLA

Tara Sundari

Drama Serial

Talk Show:

Talk Show:

Annyodristi

Kono Thikana

Drama Serial:

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Bangladesh as your theme?

PC: There are many themes

which I could have captured and I

have many more in mind, for exam-

ple, the deep sea fishermen, who

eave their homes to fish in the Bay

of Bengal. I've always wanted to

focus on the people who are mar-

ginal, on the edge of society. This is

because I think one learns a lot

about the core of Bangladeshi



CULTURE

Circuses mostly involve risky acrobatic skills

society. One gets to know how the society is treating the marginal people. This is true in every country. when one looks into the situations such as that of the senior citizens

and the migrant workers in USA and

Europe. One learns a lot about the

evolution of a society from such

and white or colour? Do you mainly

go in for the dramatic and subtle

to some appear more aesthetically

inclined? What equipment did you

effect of the black and white which

TDS: Are your pictures in black

PC: I made a choice and preferred to go in for black and white Normally I take colour pictures There are two reasons why I went in for black and white this time For one, I felt that the circus environment is very colourful and I felt that going black and white will help to focus on both the faces and the activities. The second reason is technical: with high-speed films the best result can be achieved in black and white. I have been using a Nikon for 30 years. I began and am still quite

content with it. You ask me about the number of rolls of films: they were innumerable. For capturing the action, my equipment was quite suitable: this avoided the grains that come in colour when speed is involved. There is no romantic reason for the choice.

TDS: What memories do you have of the time you spent on taking the films for the book?

PC: The only problem was a technical one, in trying to capture the movements as well as trying to bring in the ambience of the circus. People were open. I admit a foreigner in the east is often a source of attraction. I was with Bangladeshi co-workers and they too were welcomed. I didn't mind the heat or rain but I lost a lot of weight. We stayed in nearby local hotels and watched the three different shows a day. I got to see jatra performances. which have an association with the traditional role of the circus Decades back they were two separate genres, but now they tend to be more and more combined.

TDS: Does your work give you a strong sense of satisfaction?

PC: Obviously, I wouldn't continue with my photography if I didn't enjoy it. What I'm after is to capture a part of reality and try to present it a way that will make it more accessible to the people. I enjoy my moments with my cameras and try to do useful work whenever I can. My wife and son are very understanding about my days away with my photography and they take pride in my work.

Tribute

Recreating the world of Tagore

Celebration of Tagore's birth anniversary at national level

NOVERA DEEPITA

The national level celebration of the 143rd birth anniversary of Tagore was held recently. Dr Khondokar Mosharraf Hossain, the Minister for Health and Family Welfare, inaugurated the programme at the Osmani Memorial Hall. In their speeches, special guest cultural secretary Modabbir Hossain Chowdhury chairperson State-Minister for Cultural Affairs, Begum Selima Rahman and Tagore memorial speaker Dr Ashraf Siddigui had words of praise for Tagore's contribution to the field of Bangla culture.

The celebration, organised by the Ministry of Cultural Affairs of Bangladesh, is being held at five different venues, including Dhaka, Shilaidaha. Shahzadpur. Patishar and Dakkhindihi.

Dr Ashraf Siddiqui briefly offered an analysis of Tagore's works regarding Bangladesh. The title of

his paper was Rabindranath in Bangladesh. He said that Tagore introduced the practice of nationalistic literature in Bangla. His works also exposed the Baul identity of Tagore because he was a pastoral poet like William Wordsworth. Siddiqui also quoted Tagore on Lalon: 'Kushtia is the cultural capital of Bangladesh whereas Lalon is a century flower.' Begum Selina Rahman, State Minister for Cultural Affairs named Tagore as the renaissance man because he is an institution by himself.

A cultural programme was followed by a discussion session. Celebrated singer Papya Sarwar rendered the welcome song *Barisho* Dhara Majhe. Next came Fahim Hossain Chowdhury on stage with the much rendered but beautiful number Akash bhora shurjo tara. The final item was a dance drama Nohi Devi Nohi Shamanya Nari adapted from Tagore's widely

popular piece Chitrangada. Produced by Shadhona, the dance drama was directed by Sharmila Bandya-padhyay and the music was directed by Bulbul Islam. Colourful costumes reminded the audience of the Shantiniketan concept of using varied colours in attires instead of glittering dressups or ornaments. The overall planning was done by Lubna

The central character Chitrangada was played by Nayla Tarannum Chowdhurv while Enamul Haque played Arjun. Bhaswar Bondyapaddhaya and Aditi Mohsin also performed at the function.

On the occasion, a brochure containing rare pictures of Rabindranath Tagore has been published. The publication is rich in content with informative writings of eminent Tagore researchers and

Gitabitan Live-2: a new CD brings Tagore to the public

KOLKATA CORRESPONDENT

With a view to making Indians across the globe aware of the creative genius of Rabindranath Tagore, a Kolkata-based organisation recently unveiled a collection of his musical creations in a compact disc format. The Gitabitan-Live-2, compiled by Dakshinee, comprises 683 Tagore songs, dance dramas like Chitrangada., Shyama and Chandalika and operas like Balmiki Pratibha and Mayar Khela. These creations of Tagore, one of modern India's greatest poets and a Nobel laureate, are in a set of compact discs with original notations. The text of the lyrics is available in both Bangla and English. The CD was launched in Delhi recently.

Sudeb Guha Thakurta, general secretary of Dakshinee, said that the organisation, in collaboration with some US-based IT professionals of Indian origin, had brought out

Gitabitan-Live-1 comprising 1,100 songs of Tagore in 2002. "The production of the next series got delayed due to lack of funds. USbased ex-students of Dakshinee then came forward to complete the project by extending technological and financial help," Guha Thakurta informed a press conference in Delhi recently. He said Gitabitan-Live-2 had songs sung by artistes from India and abroad. As he pointed out, 'This is specially aimed at those who do not have easy access to Bengali works in general and Rabindra Sangeet (the collection of Tagore's songs) in particular.

The compact disc features nonresident Indian singers from the US, Britain, Australia, Canada and Middle East countries like the United Arab Emirates (UAE). Unveiling the disc, eminent journalist Hiranmoy Karlekar said the expiry of the copyright restrictions on Tagore's creations had left the

songs open to intepretation and different styles of rendering. "This is a step in the right direction in preserving and propagating the purity of Tagore's original writings and notations," he said. For many years, Visva Bharati University in SHantiniketan, West Bengal, enjoyed sole copyright on all his works. This included all of the volume of his poetry, novels short stories, songs and plays. Tagore set up the university with funds from the Nobel Prize, which he won in 1913 for his anthology Geetanjali, and contributions from family and friends. Unfortunately the medal and citation were stolen last month from the Tagore museum in Shantiniketan. Karlekar said modern technological

gies like compact discs would help in passing on the legend of Tagore to the new generation all across the world while maintaining the pristine quality of the genre.

Unite D Vs Charlton

Endurance Champion-ships 2004 Zhuhai

National Cricket League

Somerset Vs Yorkshire

English Premier League Highlights (T)

League Magazine Show

Harsha Unplugged Irfan

China Highlights(T)

Taunton England

Sportsline (L)

Uefa Champions

Pathan(T)

1988(T)

Sportsline (R)

Golden Moments Of

The Olympic Games Personal Achieve-

Uefa European Football

Championships Euro

Kiana's Flex Appeal (T)

Espn School Quiz 2004

Zimbabwe Test Series Zimbabwe Vs Sri Lanka

Tennis Masters Series s

Hamburg Germany 1st

English Premier Football

League 2003/04 Leeds

ESPN School Quiz 2004

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Sampritee Sangeet Shikkha Kendra, a music institute recently founded by Mizanur Rahman, a Rabindra Sangeet singer of Betar, organised a musical soiree to celebrate the birth anniversary of poet Rabindranath Tagore recently. Students of the institution and local music lovers attended the event.



Series

Fox Kids

Bandhan

Series

Khichdi

Series

Samnewali Khidki

Kumkum-Pyara Sa

Shaka Laka Boom

Kasautii Zindagii Kay

Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii

Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi

Kehta Hai Dil

Kahiin To Hoga

Kaahin Kissi Roz

Grounded For Life

Everybody Loves

Star Asia Travel

Bold And Beautiful

Hollywood Squares

Home Improvement

Whose Line Is It Anyway

Oprah Winfrey

Miami Vice

The Simpsons

Just Shoot Me

American Idol

Third Watch

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STAR WORLD

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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

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, 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. ntv News Headlines (Bangla) at 10:00 am.

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

12:00 am. 5:00 pm. 6:15 pm. 9:30 pm.

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

CHANNEL-i Tritiyo Matra Chithi Pelam 12:00 12:25 Keboli Raat Hoye Jaay

HARUN UR RASHID

mark its end.

With the screening of Michael

Gutmann's Heart Over Head and

Henner Winckler's Klassenfahrt. the

24th World Film Manifestation

German films organised by Dhaka

University Film Society (DUFS) will

Heart Over Head shows that

Jakob, after his mother died a year

ago, cannot cope with the new

situation. He packs his bags and

returns home to the Frankfurt

suburbs to live with his older sister

Petra. Although planning on only

passing through, Jakob soon

realises he'll have to help her out

Petra is pregnant, her boyfriend has

01:00 Ebong Cinemar Gaan Sangbadpatrey Bangladesh and public reaction Feature Film:Pay 02:00 Cholar Path (Ujjal 05:00 Sa Re Ga Ma 05:45 i Sports Music Plus 06:10

06:45 Chhaya Jhonkar 07:50 Close up Juke box Drama Serial: Sharey Tin Tala 09:35 Drama Serial: Anekey 10:00 Drama Serial: Bhoy

ntv Aajker Shokal 08:30 Gaaner Mala 09:00 Khoborer Shondhane 09:30 Museum around the 10:02 Hello Music 10:30 Ekhaney Amaar Desh

11:00 Drama Serial: Kichu Chhoto Boro 11:30 Priyo Mukh 12:02 Drama: Fatai 02:30 Tiffiner Faanke 03:05 Mega Serial: Teen Purush Sunsilk Opsora Drama Serial:

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year-old son. When Jakob meets

Wanda, a Polish *au-pair* girl, he falls

head over heels in love with her.

Wanda is attracted to him too, but



It may sound cruel, but dwarfs have been an essential source of amusement

DU Film Society's 24th World Film Manifestation

she's hesitant to give in to his attentions. The Gebhard family, where she baby-sits, is not very pleased to have Jakob hanging around. Wanda's friends do not like him either. Jakob and Wanda

taking a trip to the Polish Baltic Sea

however fight, both in their different

Henner Winckler's film Klassenfahrt shows a school class

coast. The holiday resort is not exciting enough, especially since it is off-season. Between table tennis excesses, a cautious relationship develops between the 16-year-old Ronny and his fellow student Isa. At a disco one night, they meet a Polish boy named Marek. After spending a lot of time together, Ronny notices that Marek shows more interest in Isa than him. Ronny challenges Marek, until his provocations end in tragic consequences.

PICK OF THE DAY



Lara Croft: Tomb Raider On HBO at 9:30 pm Genre: Action / Fantasy / Adventure Angelina Jolie, Jon Voight, lain Glen. Noah Taylor

It Could Happen To You

Cruel Intentions

Arlington Road

Space Cowboys

Sugar & Spice

The Screaming Room

: War Time Thrillers

The Ring O Birthday

13th Child: Legend of

the Jersey Devil Volume

America's Sweethearts

Lara Croft: Tomb Raider

The Most Dangerous

Evolution

Tadpole

King Cobra

Space Cowbovs

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Shongshoy On ntv at 8: 50pm Drama Serial Joya Masud, Fazlur Rahman Babu, Dr. Inamul Hag and others

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PLANET

Clouds

Operation Hot Pursuit

Young Global Hot Shots

Dinner On The Diner

Croc Chronicles S2

Wildlife Detectivies

Dogs With Jobs

Insects From Hell

Little Fish

Chasing Time

Snake WranglersThe

Hayden Turner's Wildlife

Toyota World Of Wildlife

Cyber War - To Catch A

Young Global Hot Shots

Dinner On The Diner

Croc Chronicles

Wildlife Diary

Wildlife Diary

Woman Alive

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Hellraiser Inferno

Ayesha Jhulka)

Sheshnaag (Jeetendra, Rekha)

Yalgaar (Sanjay Dutt,

Encounter The Killing

(Naseerudin Shah, Tara Deshpnde, Dilip Prabhawalkar)

Mashooq (Ayub Khan,

Chicago

ZEE CINEMA

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GEOGRAPHIC

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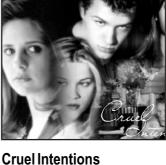
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On Star Movies at 7:00 pm Genre: Drama / Romance / Thriller Sarah Michelle Gellar, Ryan Phillippe, Reese Witherspoon, Selma Blair

Pet Star \$25,000

Wild Encounters Vivien

Pet Nation Perfectly

Pet Nation Locks of

Pet Nation A Boxer & a

Pet Nation Sehnauzer

Pet Nation Rhodesian

Wild Encounters Body

Wild Encounters Trutles

Young And Wild Family

Being There Mountains

Caught in the Act

The Shell Game

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Health in the Air 2:30 New Detectives Deadly 3:30 Wild Discovery Crocodiles And Alligators Ultimate Guide To The Awesome Sharks 5:30 Globe Trekker Northern 6:30 Speed Freaks

Elephant's 8:30 Science Frontiers Body Armor 9:30 Madagascar: A woman's first ascent 10:30 Junkyard Wars Sky

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The Drew Carey Show Wild Card Law & Order: Svu Star Asia Travel Baywatch STAR SPORTS Kiana's Flex Appeal (R) The Uefa European

Taiwan Quarterfinal

English Premier Football

League 2003/04 Leeds

Football Championships Euro 1984(R)

8:00 8:30

Football Focus (L) The Uefa European Football Championships Euro1968(T) Samsung Cricket Show

Athletic (R)

Sportscenter India (L) Tennis Hamburg Germany 1st Round(L) English Premier League