

CULTURAL FEAST

Exhibition

Artists: 44 artists including eminent and promising painters like Rafiqun Nabi, Hashem Khan and S Kabir.

Venue: Art and Soul, House 16, Road 36, Gulshan 1

Time: October 1-15, From 11am to 9pm

Title: Traditional Boats of Bengal

Venue: Bengal Shilpalaya, 275/F, Road # 27(Old), Dhanmondi, Dhaka

Time: October 05 at 6:30pm

An exhibition of miniature replicas of the traditional boats of Bengal by Yves Marre and Runa Khan

Title: Portrait



Artists: Abdul Manan, Abdus Sattar Taufique, Alakesh Ghosh, Ali Imam, Jamal Ahmed, Hamiduzzaman Khan, Hashem Khan, Monirul Islam, Nasim Ahmed Nadevi, Nisar Hossain, Qayyum Chowdhury, Rafiqun Nabi, Samarjit Roy Chowdhury, Shaifin Omar, Shahjahan Ahmed Bikash, Shaikh Afzal, Shishir Bhattacharjee, SM Saiful Islam

Venue: Gallery Shilparag, House 15, Road 16, Dhanmondi

Time: October 01-15, from 11am to 8pm

Exhibition

Title: Matter Realism

Artist: Farida Yesmin

Venue: Zainul Gallery-1, Institute of Fine Arts, Dhaka University

Time: October 8-15, from 3pm to 8pm

Exhibition

Title: My Camera Friend

Artist: Roudro Shakib Karim

Venue: Shilpangan Gallery, House 25, Road 5, Dhanmondi

Time: October 03-12, from 10 am to 03 pm

6th Annual Bonsai Exhibition

Organiser: Bangladesh Bonsai Society

Venue: Gulshan Ladies Community Club, Road 83, North Park, Gulshan 2

Time: October 05-06 at 4pm

Musical Show

Title: Western Dance

Organiser: Sampit Sangeet Shikhya Niketan

Venue: WAPDA Auditorium, Motijheel

Time: October 10 at 5:30pm

Boats set sail at Bengal

Our rich tradition and variety of boats on display

HARUN UR RASHID

With replicas of boats, life-size sails on masts, anchors and mooring lines, radar and merchandise, the gallery at the Bengal Shilpalaya at Dhanmondi has taken a look of a port.

boats from those designs. As a riverine country, boats have been the major means of transport since times people started to settle in this fertile land.

Yves Marre and Rumi Marre Khan have organised the exhibition. The couple has already become familiar to the Dhakaites for their noble endeavour in presenting a treasure trove of our rich culture.

The traditional boats of Bengal not only differ in designs; these designs are also among the safest ones in the world as well as the most well-adapted to the Gulf of Bengal.



Ghughi boat from Sylhet

The boats have been collected from the different regions of the country. There are Dinghy, Baich, Koshia and Panshi from the vicinity of Pabna.

The only aspect that would seem a bit monotonous about the display is that there is little variety in the colour of the sails of these boats.

The endeavour of the Marres is noteworthy as it enterprises into upholding the rich tradition of Bangladesh. The display runs till October 11.

A chit-chat with Rumi

SABIRA MANIR

Rumi, a recognised actress from the mega serial Ranger Manush, is now better known as 'Kushum' rather than her original name. 'Even

in my dreams I never thought that my character in the serial would get so much popularity,' asserts Rumi.

Rumi's story goes back to her days in a production house. One momentous day, Masum

Reza, the playwright of Ranger Manush, invited her to act in the serial. She had already worked in a few stage dramas such as Loha, Nityapuran and Birsa kabhya as a member of the Desh drama group and acted in serials like Atithi Apan, Shey Bhubane and Shada megheer bhrishi.

'Although I had worked on stage and TV serials with talented and popular directors such as Awal Reza, Amittabh Reza and Giasuddin Selim, Ranger Manush gave me viewer recognition. Although it is embarrassing sometimes to be called Kushum, it also makes me happy and I fell proud to be a part of the serial,' she adds.

Explaining the popularity of the mega serial Ranger Manush on ntv, Rumi says, 'Even though the serial is based on a story of rural life and tradition, it is quite different from other typical rural stories. Rather than dwelling on the common miseries of rural life, it depicts the pleasant side.'

The shooting of the serial, at Hotapara, Gazipur, is now over. Recalling the camaraderie that was built up during the actors and crew's stay at this idyllic spot, Rumi says, 'We had a lot of fun there. We were like a family. We addressed each other with the names of our characters in the serial.'



Rumi seen with the co-artists of the popular mega serial Ranger Manush

Mamun's latest screen venture

ERSHAD KAMOL

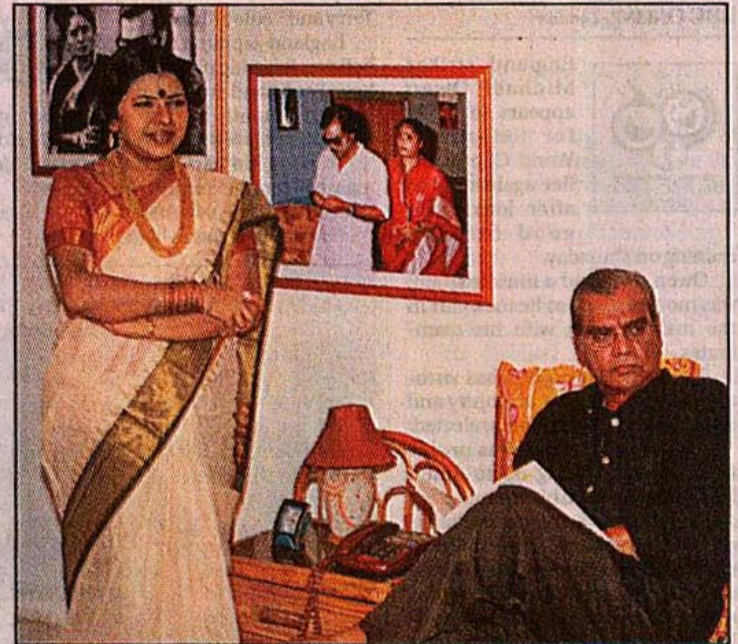
Abdullah Al Mamun, actor, director and playwright, is busy shooting for a new mega serial. Titled Ek Janame, the serial will go on ATN Bangla. The programme will be aired on the heels of the completion of his other mega serial, called Baba, from the last week of October.

As Mamun said, 'ATN Bangla has honoured me by providing a one-hour slot each week on Fridays and Saturdays from 9.30 to 10.30. In this slot only my programmes will be aired. Till now, in our country, I am the only one to get this opportunity.'

My new mega serial Ek Janame, a social play, will also go in the same slot. Ek Janame is based on my novel Gunda Pandar Baba,' adds Mamun.

Mamun has already completed shooting seven episodes of the serial. These centre on a successful cultural activist named Rakib Chowdhury. However, the focus is on the problems he faces in society rather than his cultural activities.

Ferdousi Majumdar, Abdullah Al Mamun, Jamaluddin Hossain, Tarin, Jitu and others form the cast for the



Shireen Bakul and Abdullah Al Mamun in a new mega serial Ek Janame 60-episode Ek Janame. The serial is one more feather in the cap of Mamun. Viewers are likely to welcome this social play.

Kanika Memorial Award 2004



The contestants seen with the Judges (sitting R-L) Mita Haq, Ajit Roy, Lily Islam, Fahim Hossain Chowdhury and Nargis Akhtar.

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Kanika Memorial Award 2004, organised in memory of Kanika Bondyapadhyay by Mitali, Indo-Bangla Cultural Society, is going to be held on October 1 at the Shishir Mancha of Kolkata, says a press release. This is the first such joint effort in search of new talents in Tagore songs. The programme is organised in association with Padatik Natya Sangsad, Bangladesh and Music Academy of West Bengal, India. The six selected contestants of Bangladesh, Aliva Salmira Ivana, Abul Hasnat Saifullah Parvez, Shimu Rani Dey, SM Khaled Ibn Akhtar Pial, Shamma Tashim and Barnali Chakravarty, will leave for India on October 10. Three winners will be awarded with crests and honorarium.

B&H Star Search 2004 auditions at Rajshahi

After successful auditions in Chittagong, Dhaka and Khulna, the sensational One & Only Benson & Hedges Star Search musical talent hunt arrived at Rajshahi on 5th October 2004, says a press release.

Amidst the excitement of 11 upcoming solo artists and 4 electrifying bands, the auditions started around ten in the morning. The room was adorned with posters of Star Search winners from previous years. Each artist performed two songs and answered the music relevant questions of the judges. Celebrated musician Ayub Bachchu and Kumar Bishwajit were the designated judges at the audition. The music lovers cheered the performers all the way until the end of the show.

The audition was followed by an exhilarating musical evening by the Benson & Hedges Star Search 2004 judges. The musical extravaganza kicked off with the winner of best solo performer, Star Search 2002 Ashfaqul Bari Rumon. He enthralled the audience with his melodious songs and poignant lyrics. Judges Kumar Bishwajit and Ayub Bachchu came on stage next to announce Edul Bashir as the best solo performer and Salva-

tion as best band from Rajshahi. The audience greeted the new found Rajshahi winner of Star Search with cheers. Kumar Bishwajit spoke highly of the promising musicians before entertaining the crowd for an hour. Bachchu of LRB stormed onto the stage to rock the crowd with his all

time popular songs. In the final round, the best 15 of the solo performers and bands will perform in the Benson & Hedges Star Search 2004, to be held at Dhaka. The last regional audition of the competition will be held in Sylhet on today.



Salvation was awarded the best band from Rajshahi

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.

CHANNEL-i

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

ATN BANGLA

News (Bangla) at 7:00 am, 10:00am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm, 11:00 pm.

TARA BANGLA

News Headlines (Bangla) at 5:30 pm, 7:30 pm.

BBC WORLD

Every hour on the hour

CHANNEL-i

09:30 Shongbadporey Bangladesh O Public Reaction

09:45 Tritiyo Matra Live Show: Tele

10:30 Live Show: Tele

12:00 Talk Show: Koru Alao

12:30 Drama Serial: Shampurna Ranganee

01:00 Banglar Gaan

01:25 Public Reaction

04:30 Dekhar Gaan Shonar Gaan

05:10 Sa Re Ga Ma

05:45 Jansporey Khabor

06:10 Music Plus

07:50 Weekly Drama: Mon Darpan

09:35 Drama Serial: Din Choley Jal

10:00 Drama Serial: Ahoonish Bihaboshey Elyon

ALPHA BANGLA

1:00 Maa Sarada

1:30 Ek Akasher Niche

2:00 Neel Seemana

2:30 Search Light

3:00 Matir Bhaktia

3:30 Ramprasad

3:55 Bengali Feature Film

6:30 Dhanni Meye

7:10 Dhyaitanika

8:00 Neel Seemana

8:30 Ek Akasher Niche

9:30 Hao Mao Khao

10:00 Paanch Dine Gappo

11:00 Kolhay Pabo Tare

11:30 Chorus

HBO

8:15 See Spot Run

10:15 State of Emergency

12:00 Pay It Forward

2:30 Dangerous Liaisons

5:00 Jerry Maguire

The Master of Disguise

9:30 Striptease

11:45 Sex and the City

12:30 The Sum Of All Fears

STAR MOVIES

7:45 Rob Roy

10:15 Abandon

12:00 Strike Force

1:45 Boiling Point

3:15 I Don't Buy Kisses

HALLMARK

12:30 Bewitched

1:00 Mad About You

Season

1:30 Neopoleon

3:30 Play With Me Sesame

4:00 Sesame Street

5:00 Bewitched

5:30 Family Law

6:30 Sue Thomas: F B Eye

7:30 Burn - INT

9:15 The District

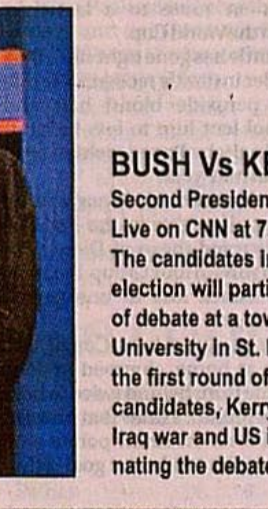
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1:00 Anastasia: The Mystery of Anna

PICK OF THE DAY



BUSH Vs KERRY

Second Presidential Debate

Live on CNN at 7:30am

The candidates in the US Presidential election will participate in the next round of debate at a town hall of Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri. After the first round of debate between the two candidates, Kerry got an upper hand with Iraq war and US internal security dominating the debate.

ZEE TV

12:30 Khana Khazana

1:00 Ujja

1:30 Pandham

3:30 Yes Boss

7:00 Cartoon Network On Zee

7:30 Rishley

8:30 Sansui Antakshari

9:30 India's Best

10:30 Sa Re Ga Ma Pa

11:30 X Zone

12:25 Ek Nazar

STAR PLUS

1:00 Hasna Mat

1:30 Chalti Ka Naam

1:30 Antakshiri

2:30 Meri Mrs Chanchala

3:00 Pya Hua

4:00 Aur Phir Ek Din

4:30 Smriti

5:00 Pardey Ke Peechey

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

1:30 Be The Creature

2:30 Planet Wild

3:00 Toyota World Of Wildlife

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2:30 Bazaar Rivals Jackie

3:00 Kennedy Vs Marilyn

3:00 Great Cars Rivals Prost

3:30 Europe's Hottest

4:30 The Tracks of a Killer

5:30 City Cabs Stockholm, Sweden

STAR GOLD

9:50 Azaad Dahi Ke Ghulam

1:30 Lsawaris

4:45 Haha

8:30 Haha

12:05 Watan Ke Rakhwale

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ANIMAL PLANET

12:30 Pot Nation

2:30 Pot Star

3:30 The Jumpers

4:30 Detection Partners For Life

5:30 The Planet's Funniest Animals

6:00 Barking Mad

6:30 Seal Pup Rescue

7:00 Monkey Business III

7:30 For A Living Company of Killers

8:30 Pel Star I

9:30 The Gluttons

10:30 Deep Into the Wild

11:00 Rattlesnakes

11:30 Spectacles of Nature

Arctic, The No Place To Hide

STAR SPORTS

12:30 World Strongman Cup 2004 Serbia & Montenegro

1:00 Highlights(R)

2:00 English Premier Football League 2004/05 Chelsea Vs Liverpool (R)

3:00 Japan Open Tennis Championships 2004 Quarterfinals

6:00 IFA Shield Semi-Final