

## CULTURAL FEAST

## Tripura &amp; Rajasthani Evening

Organiser: High Commission of India  
 Artists: Cultural troupe from Rajasthan and Tripura  
 Venue: Indian Cultural Centre Auditorium, Road 96, House 25, Gulshan-2  
 Time: October 12 at 6:30pm

## Exhibition

Title: Portrait  
 Artists: Abdul Manan, Abdus Sattar, Taufique, Alaksh 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 Atzal, Shishir Bhattacharjee, SM Saiful Islam  
 Venue: Gallery Shipilap, House 15, Road 18, Dhanmondi  
 Time: October 01-15, from 11am to 8pm

Title: Matter Realism  
 Artist: Farida Yesmin  
 Venue: Zamil Gallery-1, Institute of Fine Arts, Dhaka University  
 Time: October 08-15, from 3pm to 8pm

Title: Exhibition of 12 Contemporary Young Artists  
 Organiser: Nadim's Cultural Education Development Organization  
 Venue: Russian Cultural Centre, House 510, Road 7, Dhanmondi  
 Time: October 10-20, from 11am to 8pm

## Photography Exhibition

Title: Rajasthani Where History Lives  
 Organiser: North South University Photography Club  
 Venue: BTA Tower, Room no. 100, North South University  
 Time: October 10-14, from 11am to 6pm

## Film show

Title: Contemporary Belgian Film Session  
 Organisers: Zahir Raihan Film Society and Alliance Francaise of Dhaka  
 Date: 11-13 October  
 Venue: Alliance Francaise, Dhanmondi  
 12 October:  
 5:00pm: *Fanny* (1994)  
 7:00pm: *The Promise* (1996)  
 This special film session features some of the critically acclaimed and award-winning recent Francophone-Belgian films.

## Ritwik Ghatak films to be screened by BFFS

The Bangladesh Federation of Film Societies (BFFS) will today screen two famous films made by Ritwik Ghatak, the renowned Bengali filmmaker. The screening will be followed-up by a discussion on the films of Ritwik Ghatak at the auditorium of BFFS at 62 Science Laboratory Road, Dhanmondi. Ghatak's films have a new global interest as they put forward questions and themes to be considered seriously concerning the history and culture of our region.

The film shows are open to all. The films to be screened are *Titas Ekti Nadir Naam* (A River Called Titas) at 3:00pm and *Jukti, Takkor o Gappo* (The Arguments and a Story) at 6:00pm.

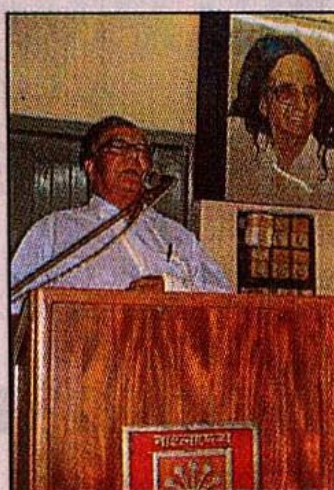
## A TRIBUTE

## SM Sultan's works transcend national boundaries

AFSAR AHMED

SM Sultan's works transcend national boundaries. Today his works are exhibited in London's Leicester Gallery along with paintings of Picasso, Matisse and Salvador Dali and in many famous galleries around the world. Likewise, his paintings won acclaim in American, British, French and other foreign magazines and journals. However, there are still several untold anecdotes on this enigmatic artist.

Enam Ahmed Chowdhury, the lone speaker, dwelt on some interesting facets of the legendary Sultan, on the occasion of his 10th death anniversary on October 10, at the Shilpakala Academy. The programme was presided over by Ahmed Nazir, DG Shilpakala Academy.



Enam Ahmed Chowdhury in all praise of SM Sultan

Enam Ahmed Chowdhury recalled that he first met SM Sultan in 1954. Enam said, 'Sultan was a magnificent conversationalist. He could speak fluent English and his remarkable Urdu accent, in particular, attracted many people.' However, Enam was quite surprised by Sultan's rich intellectual capability despite his lack of formal education. The late artist had a quick reply: 'Who said that I don't have any formal education? Rather, I've had the privilege to learn in the subcontinent's most famous institution that is the Suhrawardy house in Karachi.'

Enam stated that, Sultan had a great kinship with the Suhrawardy family, especially with Shahed Suhrawardy which apparently opened new vistas in learning. However, his formal education began at Collegiate School, which he left in 1933.

On leaving the portals of the Calcutta Art School, Sultan embarked on his journey as a promising painter under the patronage of Maharaja of Kapurthala at Simla, Malik Feroze Khan Noon at Lahore and Miss Fatima Jinnah at Karachi. Going to Lahore in 1948, he enjoyed the close friendship of leading artists like Shaker Ali, Chughtai, Nagi and Sheikh Ahmed.

Apart from being a painter, Sultan played the flute with expertise. For many he was a Baul, a mystical artist or a very simple man with affection for all living beings.

'His yearning for truth and beauty crossed the narrow divides and thus his love for mankind as well as animals made him a great



Sultan deeply engrossed in art works

man,' said Enam.

The artist remained single, but was always intrigued by women. As he once said to Enam, 'If I can't discover the beauty of women, how can I be inspired?'

Sultan lived an individualistic life. He cared little for the trappings of money, status or security. He kept no track of his paintings, sometimes leaving them unattended. He never attached price tags to his work, or organised exhibitions except when others persuaded him to.

He painted his land and his people from a unique perspective. In large canvases he depicted the villagers of Bengal as farmers and boatmen with bulging knotting muscles, since they had to survive centuries of poverty, oppression

and natural calamities.

'He also drew many famous landscapes of Kashmir and rural Bengal in his early life. However, the mid-1950s are treated as the pinnacle of the artist's life,' Enam added.

Sultan established the Fine Art Institute at Narail in 1969 and another institute Churupet at Jessore in 1973. But he never preserved his art works or the words of praise that he received from the different artists and critics around the world. 'The voice of Asia as the British art magazine described Sultan; the artworks and the facts of his life should be immediately preserved,' said Enam. 'If the restoration of his art-works is not possible; at least we can dwell on his words-- Spread your love,' concluded Enam.

## 'Superman' star Christopher Reeve no more

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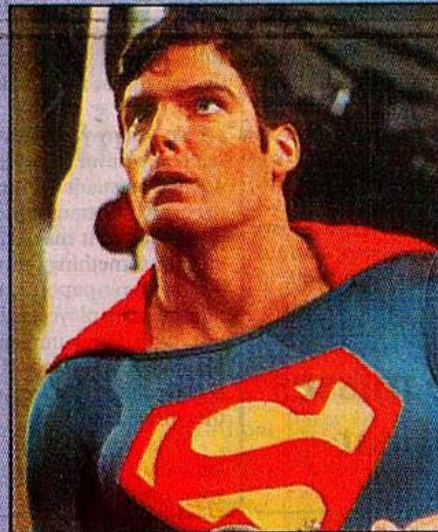
Christopher Reeve, the star of the Superman movies whose near-fatal riding accident nine years ago turned him into a worldwide advocate for spinal cord research, died Sunday of heart failure, his publicist said. He was 52.

Reeve fell into a coma Saturday after going into cardiac arrest while at his New York home, his publicist, Wesley Combs told The Associated Press by phone from Washington, D.C., on Sunday night. His family was at his side at the time of death.

Reeve was being treated at Northern Westchester Hospital for a pressure wound, a common complication for people living with paralysis. In the past week, the wound had become severely infected, resulting in a serious systemic infection.

Reeve broke his neck in May 1995 when he was thrown from his horse during an equestrian competition in Culpeper, Va.

Enduring months of therapy to allow him to breathe for longer and longer periods without a respirator, Reeve emerged to lobby Congress for better insurance protection against catastrophic injury and to move an Academy Award audience to tears with a call for more films about social issues.



'Hollywood needs to do more,' he said in the March 1996 Oscar awards appearance. 'Let's continue to take risks. Let's tackle the issues. In many ways our film community can do it better than anyone else. There is no challenge, artistic or otherwise, that we can't

meet.'

He returned to directing, and even returned to acting in a 1998 production of *Rear Window*, a modern update of the Hitchcock thriller about a man in a wheelchair who becomes convinced that a neighbour has been murdered. Reeve won a Screen Actors Guild award for best actor.

His athletic frame and love of adventure made him a natural, if largely unknown, choice for the title role in the first Superman movie in 1978. He insisted on performing his own stunts. Although he reprised the role three times, Reeve often worried about being typecast as an action hero.

Though he owed his fame to it, Reeve made a concerted effort to, as he often put it, 'escape the cape'. He played an embittered, crippled Vietnam veteran in the 1980 Broadway play *Fifth of July*, a love-struck time-traveler in the 1980 movie *Someone to Watch Over Me*, and an aspiring playwright in the 1982 suspense thriller *Deathtrap*.

More recent films included John Carpenter's *Village of the Damned*, and the HBO movies *Above Suspicion* and *In the Gloaming*, which he directed. Among his other film credits are *The Remains of the Day*, *The Aviator*, and *Morning Glory*.

## B&amp;H STAR SEARCH 2004

## Regional auditions end at Sylhet

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Finally, the last of the Benson & Hedges One & Only Star search 2004's regional audition came to an end in Sylhet, after successive auditions in Dhaka, Chittagong, Khulna and Rajshahi. Held in Moulvibazar for the first time, the Sylhet auditions generated considerable excitement among the music lovers, says a press release. Moulvibazar was dazzled by the 12 talented solo performers and three bands.

The brilliantly lit auditorium was decorated with banners and portraits of previous years' Star Search winners. Each of the talents gave prompt answers to the judges' questions after an exciting and enthusiastic performance of two of their songs. They added more to the fanfare by performing in their individual styles. Kumar Biswasjit and Partha Barua were the designated judges. The judges praised these musical talents and declared



A presentation by ETC Musical Band

ETC Musical Band as the best band. The best 15 of the solo performers and bands nationally selected through the auditions will perform in the final, to be held in Dhaka.

## TV GUIDE

## PICK OF THE DAY



Shonali Danar Chil  
 On Channel I at 9:35pm  
 Drama Serial

Cast: Tania Ahmed, Tony Dayes, Sumaiya Shimu



Demolition Man  
 On HBO at 9:30pm  
 Genre: Action/Adventure

Cast: Sylvester Stallone, Wesley Snipes

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) at 11:30 pm.

## CHANNEL-I

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

## ATN BANGLA

News (Bangla) at 7:00 am, 10:00 am, 2:00 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 9:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:00 am, 1:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm.

## ntv

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

## TARA BANGLA

News Headlines (Bangla) at 5:30 pm, 7:30 pm.  
 Tara News (Bangla) at 8:30 pm, 11:30 pm.  
 Tara News Bangladesh (Bangla) at 9:30 pm.

## BBC WORLD

Every hour on the hour

## CHANNEL-I

10:45 Gramen Phone  
 Cricket Online  
 11:30 Biji Boarding  
 12:00 Chitti Pelem  
 12:30 Aaj Dupurey  
 01:00 Ebong Cinema Gaan  
 01:25 Public Reaction  
 01:30 Bangla feature film  
 04:00 Bangla Gaan  
 05:00 Sa Re Ga Ma  
 05:15 Jonopoder Khobor  
 05:30 i Sports  
 06:00 Music Plus  
 06:30 Ananda Bichitra  
 07:50 Close up Juke Box  
 08:25 Parityakto Bari  
 09:35 Drama Serial: Shonali Danar Chil  
 10:00 Drama Serial: Taka

## ATN BANGLA

10:30 Talk Show: Annodristhi  
 Drama Serial: Mohora  
 11:15 Business this week  
 12:30 Bangla Feature Film: Mali Ghar  
 03:45 Uro Cole Saal Rang  
 04:20 Shantoshamok  
 05:10 Kichukhon  
 05:45 Islamee Sawal O Jawab  
 06:20 Aynar Sharnay  
 08:00 Drama Serial: Chhotlo Ey Joon  
 08:30 Drama Serial: Gushiarubar  
 09:00 Drama Serial: Anushchana  
 09:30 Ek Dul Teen  
 10:30 Prekhhapoli

## ntv

08:30 Adekha Bhuban  
 09:20 Crime Welch  
 10:05 Nakker Gaan  
 11:30 Putul Naach  
 12:02 Purno Ekok Nakol  
 02:30 Adekha Bhuban  
 03:05 Tiffin Ranko  
 03:40 Drama Serial: Chena

## TARA BANGLA

04:25 Dukkho Achena Shukh  
 04:25 Ke korbe bajimasth  
 05:20 Apnari Jigyasha  
 06:20 Shubho Shondhya  
 06:50 Frankly Speaking  
 08:10 Drama: Sportsheer baire  
 08:50 Taray Taray  
 09:40 Drama Serial: Sheela

## ALPHA TV

3:00 Moner Moto Mon  
 4:33 Bengali Feature Film  
 04:33 Dhanni Meye  
 07:10 Dhyanika  
 08:00 Neel Seemana  
 08:30 Ek Akasher Niche  
 09:10 Search Light  
 09:30 Hao Mao Khao  
 10:00 Paanch Dine Gappo  
 11:00 Kolhary Pabo Tare

## HBO

9:45 Cholears  
 12:00 Chameleon 3: Dark Angel  
 1:45 State of Emergency  
 3:30 Dante's Peak  
 5:45 Urban Legends: Final Cut  
 7:45 The Borrowers  
 9:30 Demolition Man  
 11:45 Bram Stoker's Dracula  
 12:15 See Spot Run

## STAR MOVIES

9:00 Signs  
 10:45 My Big Fat Greek Wedding  
 12:30 Behind The Camera  
 2:00 Fear Of The Dark  
 3:30 The Kid Stays In The Picture  
 5:10 Sweet Home Alabama  
 7:00 Sleeping With The Enemy  
 8:45 Lost Junction  
 10:30 My Big Fat Greek Wedding

## AXN

3:10 Fear Factor  
 2:30 Global Adventure  
 3:30 Boomtown  
 4:30 Who Dares Wins India  
 5:30 Specials  
 5:30 Global Adventure

12:15 Hellbound: Hellraiser II  
 6:30 Framed  
 8:30 Xena Warrior Princess  
 9:30 On The Set - Next Action Star  
 10:30 Bel Your Life  
 12:30 Maximum Exposure

## ZEE TV

3:00 Reth  
 3:30 Imilhan  
 6:30 Rubadubbers  
 7:30 A Pup Named Scooby-Doo  
 8:30 The Legend of Snow White  
 9:30 The Powerpuff Girls  
 10:30 He-Man and the Masters of the Universe  
 11:00 Justice League  
 12:00 Pokemon  
 12:30 Digimon  
 1:00 Tom and Jerry Show  
 1:30 All New Popeye Show  
 2:30 Richie Rich

## CARTOON NETWORK

12:30 A Pup Named Scooby-Doo  
 1:00 Boof  
 1:30 Rubadubbers  
 2:00 Baby Looney Tunes  
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## STAR GOLD

9:40 Fiza  
 1:30 Yaloom  
 4:45 Apradhi  
 8:30 Doodh Ka Karz  
 12:15 Baazi

## STAR PLUS

2:30 Kesar  
 3:30 Kabhi Aaye Na Judai  
 4:30 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi  
 5:00 Zindagi Milke Bittayenge

## NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

2:30 Planet Wild  
 3:00 Toyota World Of Wildlife  
 3:30 Chimps On The Move  
 4:30 Croc Chronicles  
 5:00 Wildlife Diary  
 5:30 Be The Creature  
 6:30 Planet Wild  
 7:00 Toyota World Of Wildlife  
 7:30 Drinker's Dilemma  
 8:30 Marco Polo  
 9:00 Love Market In The Clouds  
 9:30 People's Planet  
 10:30 Realm Of The Lobster

## STAR CRIMES

12:00 Japan Open Tennis Championships 2004  
 1:30 Gymnastics FIG World Cup 2004/05 Chile (R)  
 4:30 Extreme Programming  
 5:00 Cricket Gold(T)  
 5:30 SportsLine(L)  
 6:30 World Superbike  
 7:30 France Highlights(T)  
 9:00 MotoGP World

## STAR SPORTS

10:00 WWE Raw  
 10:30 ICC Cricket World  
 11:30 Gillette World Sport  
 12:30 ATP Tennis  
 1:30 Italian Serie A - Highlights  
 2:30 Sri Lanka v Zimbabwe (HLS)  
 4:30 South American WC Qualifiers: Venezuela v Brazil  
 5:00 Gamer TV  
 5:30 Gillette World Sport  
 6:30 WWE Smackdown  
 7:30 Legends  
 8:00 Sri Lanka v Zimbabwe (HLS)

## ESPN

9:00 Samsung Cricket Show (R)  
 9:30 NBA Playoffs Finals Game #2(T)  
 11:30 Champions Tour Golf SAS Championship USA Second Round(T)  
 2:00 NBA Playoffs Finals Game #2(R)  
 4:00 US Domestic Cricket Twenty20 England Glamorgan Vs Leicestershire Semifinal Football Focus (L)  
 7:30 Motorsport Asia (R)  
 8:00 Samsung Cricket Show (R)  
 8:30 Sportscenter India (L)  
 9:00 Fila World Cup Qualifiers (England) England Vs Wales (T)  
 9:30 Sportscenter Asia (R)  
 10:00 Football Focus(R)

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