

CULTURAL FEAST

Exhibition

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

Title: Rajathan: 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

Title: Appointment 2004
Artists: Hamiduzzaman Khan, Abdus Shakur, Ranjit Das, Ifat Ara Dewan, Ily Zaman, Rashid Amin, Javed Jalil, Anukul Chandra Majumder
Venue: Shilparam, Road 5, House 25, Dhanmondi
Time: October 16-25, from 10am to 1pm and 3pm to 9pm

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
13 October: 5.00pm: Rosette (1999)
7.00pm: The Son (2002)

Musical Soiree

Title: Classical music
Artists: Anil Kumar Shah and Muhammad Moniruzzaman
Venue: Alliance Francaise, 26, Mirpur Road
Time: October 14, at 7pm

Prize distribution

Title: Nido-Weekly 2000 Story Writing Competition
Venue: Shishu Academy
Time: October 14, at 4pm

History of 100 Years' Cinema

Dhaka Film Society's neoteric venture

Film is not only a medium of sensual pleasure or entertainment; it is rather considered as an intellectual art form, which demands intensive reading and in-depth understanding. Dhaka Film Society (DFS), a film wing of Centre for Asian Arts and Cultures (CAAC), intends to motivate its members as well as film lovers to enable them to critically appreciate cinema by arranging its 3rd study circle on October 16, says a press release.

The four-month long workshop comprising 17 classes, this venture entitled *History of 100 Years' Cinema* will be held at the office of DFS every Saturday at 5.30pm. Clippings of films—characteristic of different film movements, epochs and genres—will be screened in each of the classes. Dr. Zahurul Islam Kochi will conduct this study circle.

Interested persons can enroll themselves by October 14 at Dhaka Film Society, 62 Science Laboratory Road (1st floor), Dhanmondi, Dhaka-1205.

Toils and travails of shoal dwellers

A prize-winning documentary of Dill-Reaz focuses on poverty

FAYZA HAQ

SHAHEEN Dill-Reaz, who presented his ORB documentary prize-winning film at the Goethe Institut recently, speaking on his film, *Sand and Water* (or *جبون جلیل بیلی*), said that it is about the perseverance, travails and toils of the shoal dwellers along the River Jamuna. This nostalgic film is inspired by myths and prejudices that prevail along the mainland and the shoal. The purpose of the film, Dill-Reaz said, was to eventually discover his own identity: he was motivated to making the documentary by witnessing the unflagging struggle of sand-bank dwellers. He said that the storyline consisted of the repeated destruction of the shoal, which was washed out by the constant lashing of the wild Jamuna. These places, the director and cinematographer says, were once termed the 'deadly paradise' for they contained untold happiness amidst constant danger of the wild waterway.

Dill-Reaz said that the people he focused on were very cooperative. He elaborated that the NGO Jamuna Char Development Project (JCDP) gave the necessary logistic support. He said that the documentary was based on his teacher's work in Berlin and that a German NGO worker, Hanna



A still from the film *Sand and Water*

Schmuk was involved in the project. The crew, sound and camera assistance were supplied from Bangladesh and Germany, he added.

Asked to give details of the participants of the film, Dill-Reaz explained that the people focused on were from Gabbar Union, situated between Bhupoor and Sirajganj, in the middle of the Jamuna river bed. These include farmers who try to eke out a living during the monsoon season and cultivate in winter. When evil times fall on the residents of the shoal, they take to fishing, even though it is not their profession. These people, Dill-Reaz said, are here today and gone tomorrow: they live hand to mouth and day by day.

Taking on how he went into filmmaking, Dill-Reaz said that he transferred his earlier passion for filmmaking into his present profession. He elaborated that he did not differentiate between feature and documentary film: his film *Sand and Water*, he insisted could be seen as both a feature and film and documentary. His future endeavour, he added, will be a feature film.

Naming the individuals who had inspired him, the filmmaker and cinematographer said that this included individuals from the fields of literature and fine arts like Jibonananda Das, Jamini Rai and Akhtarruzzaman. He added that he got his encouragement from teachers and friends at home and

overseas. Asked to comment on filmmakers from Bangladesh like Manzar-e-Haseen, Tanvir Mukammal and Morshed he said that he admired them enormously.

Giving his comment on the essentials of a good documentary, Dill-Reaz said that like all creative work they must contain passion and honesty.

Explaining the ORB documentary, he said that it is a yearly international award for filmmakers in which 200 films participate, and that his *Sand and Water* got a first prize in this competition in 2002. The other prizes won by the film include three other first and Special Awards from Barcelona, Tel Aviv and Kathmandu.

A celebration of colour

HARUN UR RASHID

Nadim's Cultural Education Development Organisation (CEDO) is holding its 5th endeavour in promoting young artists of the country. Organised at the Russian Cultural Centre in Dhanmondi, the display presents the



Unity by Farhana R Shawpna

works of 10 young painters, some working freelance while most are still students, along with the artworks of two senior artists, Alokesha Ghosh and sculptor Ferdousi Priyobhashini.

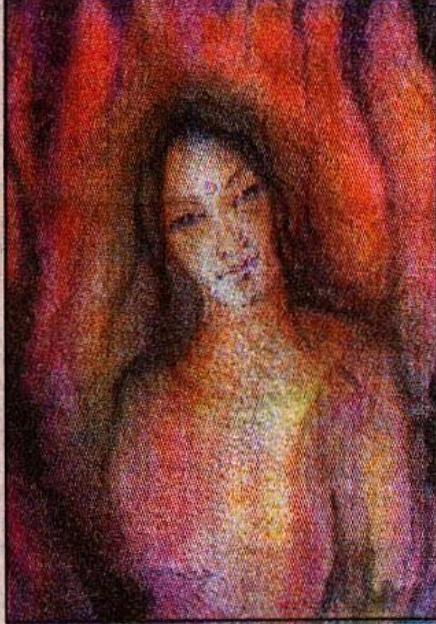
Inaugurated by the Ambassador of the Russian Federation to Bangladesh, Oleg S Malginov, the opening ceremony was attended by renowned artist Rafiq Nabi, Nasrin Begum and sculptor Hamiduzzaman Khan.

The exhibits include mostly watercolour and oil paintings as well as a few acrylic works and stoneware items. The glass paintings of Farhana Rahman Shawpna are, however, a new item at the exhibition since the medium is not very familiar in the country. Shawpna's works basically depict graphical illustration-type works. Artistic works would have more fitted the exhibition.

Mustafa Zaman's mixed media works like the work *Existence* project his characteristic obsession with the physical aspects of human beings.

Farida Yesmin's acrylic works reflect the characteristics of her recent experimentation also seen in her ongoing solo exhibition at the Zainul Gallery. Her *Storm-Tossed* depicts the restlessness of the mind through the arbitrary use of deep colours like blue and red with thick brush strokes.

Mohammad Mahadi Masud's stoneware pieces are eye-catching. The works of Tasnuva Rahman and Dilshad Pathan have the dreamy effect created in well-controlled watercolour. Other participants of the exhibition are Shama Shaiom, Tahmina Hafiz, Shantana Manman and



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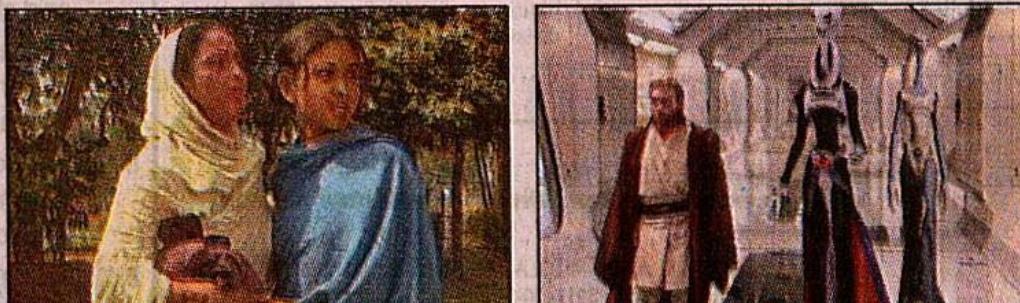
Sadia Hussain Ether.

Established in 1990, CEDO has been arranging such exhibitions since 2002 in order to bring the young painters to the notice of lovers and critics of art. Kamrul Islam Nadim, founder of CEDO, participated in the previous four exhibitions. The display runs until October 20.

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TV GUIDE

PICK OF THE DAY



Khawab
On ATN Bangla at 8:30pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Tania Ahmed, Azizul Hakim, Mim, Nargis

Star Wars: Attack of the Clones
On Star Movies at 8:55pm
Genre: Sci-Fi / Adventure / Action
Cast: Ewan McGregor, Natalie Portman

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.

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10:02 Bangladesh and Public
10:30 Aarshinagar
11:00 Transworld Sports
12:02 Circus Lights
12:45 Sports Time
11:30 Close Up Juke Box
12:00 Chhiti Polam
12:30 Aaj Duporey and
CityCell Terika kethon
01:00 Ebong Cinema Gaan
01:30 Public Reaktion
01:45 Bangla Film
04:00 Bangla Gaan
05:00 Sa Re Ga Ma
05:35 Jonapoder Khobor
05:45 Ganer Operay
06:10 Music Plus
06:45 Gilletto World Sports
07:55 RC Travel On
08:25 Drama Serial: Kichhu
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ATN BANGLA
10:30 Talk Show: Anroddishit
11:15 Drama Serial: Sarisar
Japon
11:50 Nostostanik
12:30 Bangla Feature Film: Arishan
03:45 Musical Programme
04:20 Shapla Shuklak
05:10 Molam
05:45 Islamee Sowal O
Jawab
08:00 The sword of Tipu
Sultan
08:30 Drama Serial: Khawab
09:00 Drama Serial: Shu
Palter Shondhane
09:30 Drama Serial: New
Files
10:30 Face to Face Live
12:00 Mr. Deeds
11:00

Play With Me Sesame
Search Light
Shubh Ranjani
Bengali Feature Film -
Contd.
Gaan Utd.
Dhanni Meye
Dhyatanka
Sara Bangla (Regional
News)
Neel Seemana
5:00
Ek Alasher Niche
5:30 Family Law
6:30 Mysterious Ways
7:30 Straight From The
Heart
9:05 Strong Medicine
9:30 Family Law
10:45 Straight From The
Heart
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The Crimson Rivers
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HBO
09:45 St. Elmo's Fire
10:45 The Crimson Rivers
11:00
12:00 Unspoken
12:30 Twenty-Something Girls
vs. Thirty Something
Women
1:45 Hemoglobin
3:15 Hollywood One On One
10:00 Karena Karena
11:15 Captain Correll's
Mandolin
1:00 Tumhari Disha
2:00 Piya Ki Ghar
3:00 Reith
3:30 Andaz Apna Apna
4:30 3 Ka Show Contd
6:30 Cartoon Network On
2:30 Kidnapped
3:30 Play With Me Sesame
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HALLMARK
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09:00 Frankly Speaking
09:30 Expedition Animal

Mad About You
Season
8:55 Star Wars: Attack Of

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Telecast of BTV News (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm.

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