

PICK
OF THE
WEEK

Our Choice

Backdraft (IMDb rating 6.6)

On HBO, November 11 at 09:30 pm

Directed by Ron Howard

Genre: Action/Drama/Mystery/Thriller

Kurt Russell, William Baldwin, Robert De Niro

As a child Brian McCafferty watched his firefighter father die. Years later he joins his brother in the force by becoming a rookie firefighter. There is a conflict between the brothers that is heated up now. A series of suspicious fires are set, each made to kill a specific person. After becoming frightened at a fire, Brian pulls strings to get into an investigative office and finds that he is now not putting out the arsonist's fires, but trying to track him down.



The Sport

Spanish Football League

2004/05

Live from Barcelona, Spain

On Star Sports, November 07 at 01:00 am

Barcelona

Vs

Deportivo La Coruna



The Movie

Murder in the First (IMDb rating 6.9)

On Star Movies, November 09 at 12:45 am

Directed by Marc Rocco

Genre: Drama/Thriller

Christian Slater, Kevin Bacon, Embeth Davidtz

A petty criminal sent to Alcatraz in the 1930s is caught attempting to make an escape. As punishment, he is put in solitary confinement. The maximum stay is supposed to be 19 days, but Henry spends years alone, cold and in complete darkness, only to emerge a madman and soon to be a murderer. The story follows a rookie lawyer attempting to prove that Alcatraz was to blame, and that Henry should not be executed.

Satellite TV



The Glass House (IMDb rating 5.6)

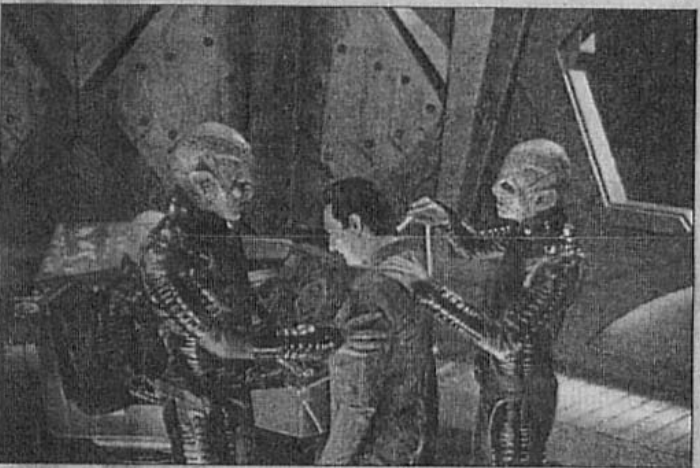
On HBO, November 06 at 09:30 pm

Directed by Daniel Sackheim

Genre: Thriller

Leelee Sobieski, Diane Lane, Stellan Skarsgård, Kathy Baker

Trust can be as transparent as glass. After the sudden death of their parents in a car accident, 16-year-old Ruby Baker and her 11-year-old brother Rhett are sent to live with Terry and Erin Glass, old family friends of the parents, in their posh Malibu house. But Ruby soon learns that her new foster parents are not all as they seem to be. Ruby and an unsuspecting Rhett are drawn by Terry and Erin into a deadly game of deception and mind games apparently stemming from Terry's shady business dealings in which he sets sights on Ruby and Rhett's \$4 million trust fund.



Star Trek: Nemesis (IMDb rating 6.5)

On HBO, November 07 at 01:15 am

Directed by Stuart Baird

Genre: Action/Adventure/Sci-Fi/Thriller/Drama

Patrick Stewart, Jonathan Frakes, Brent Spiner, Marina Sirtis

On their way to Riker's and Troi's honeymoon, the Enterprise is sent near the neutral zone to Romulan space, and picks up a prototype twin of android Data. Immediately they are further sent to Romulus, where a new praetor, Shinzon, a half-Roman cloned from Captain Picard, appears to want peace with the Federation. But then the crew detects a break-in on their computer systems, and Picard is captured by the Romulans because Shinzon needs him as his only matching supplier of genetic material. Picard and the Enterprise can escape, only to find themselves battling Shinzon's completely cloaked Warbird, who is after the complete destruction of earth.



The Infiltrator (IMDb rating 6.2)

On HBO, November 09 at 09:30 pm

Directed by John Mackenzie

Genre: Drama

Oliver Platt, Arliss Howard, Tony Haygarth, Julian Glover

Yaron Svoray is a Jewish freelance reporter who goes to Germany to write an article about neo-nazism. While visiting a Turkish refugee camp a gang of skinheads attack. When the police arrive, he is mistakenly arrested which gives the skinheads the impression that he is a sympathiser for the Nazi cause. Yaron sees the opportunity and slowly infiltrates the group. He is appalled and disgusted by what he sees, but he's determined to dig deeper. Yaron discovers that the Nazism runs deeper and is more powerful than he ever could have imagined.

The Badge

(IMDb rating 6.3)

On Star Movies, November 07

at 12:30 am

Directed by Robby Henson

Genre: Crime/Thriller/Drama/Action

Billy Bob Thornton, Patricia Arquette, William Devane, Sela Ward

A sheriff begins an investigation into the death of a local transsexual after hearing that high ranking politicians may have been involved. Although he is homophobic, his investigation causes him to be rejected by others, forcing him to seek help from the people he once despised.



No Way Out (IMDb rating 7.0)

On Star Movies, November 06 at 12:00 am

Directed by Roger Donaldson

Genre: Drama/Thriller/Mystery

Kevin Costner, Gene Hackman, Sean Young

Tom Farrell is a navy officer who gets posted at the Pentagon and is to report to the secretary of defence David Brice. He starts an affair with Susan Atwell not knowing that she is Brice's mistress. When Susan is found dead, Tom is assigned to the case of finding the killer who is believed to be a KGB mole. Tom could soon become a suspect when a polaroid negative of him was found at Susan's place. He now has only a few hours to find the killer before the computer regenerates the photo.

Books



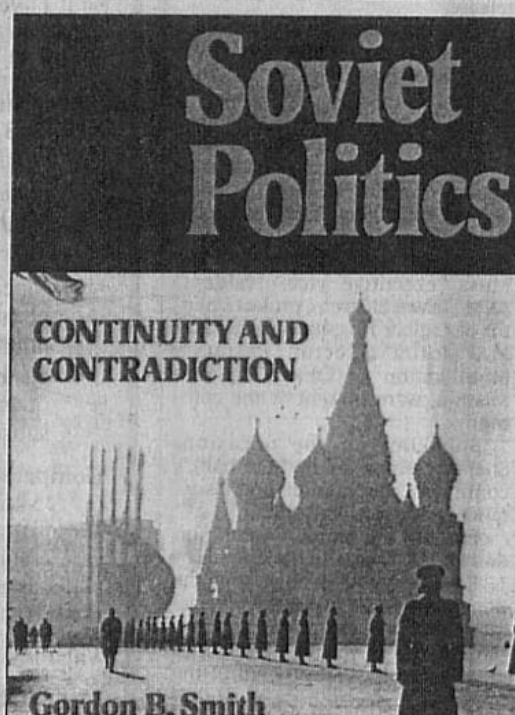
Soviet Political Scientists & American Politics

Neil Malcolm

Price: Tk. 1500.00

The last twenty years have witnessed a massive expansion of Soviet writing about Western politics. Special attention has been given by Soviet authors to the United States, and the Moscow Institute for the Study of the USA and Canada, founded in 1967, is now recognised as one of the most prestigious foreign policy research establishments in the USSR.

Source: Academic Press & Publishers Limited, House# 55, Road# 8/A, Dhanmondi, Dhaka-1209; Ph. 8125394; e-mail: appl@dhaka.net



Soviet politics

Continuity and Contradiction

Gordon B Smith

Price: Tk. 1000.00

Soviet Politics provides a comprehensive and up to date introduction to politics, society and contemporary life in the Soviet Union set in a historical and geographical context. It is the first text to provide a full analysis of the impact of the Gorbachev regime, the 27th Party Congress and the revised Party Programme and Rules.



Santal Community in Bangladesh

Problems and Prospects

Mesbah Kamal, Dr Muhammad Samad & Nilufar Banu

Price: Tk. 100.00

This book is the outcome of a study on life profiles of Santals looking closely at their problems, needs and the development interventions that they proposed. It focuses on socio-economic and human rights conditions of the Santals of North Bengal and greater Sylhet regions of Bangladesh.

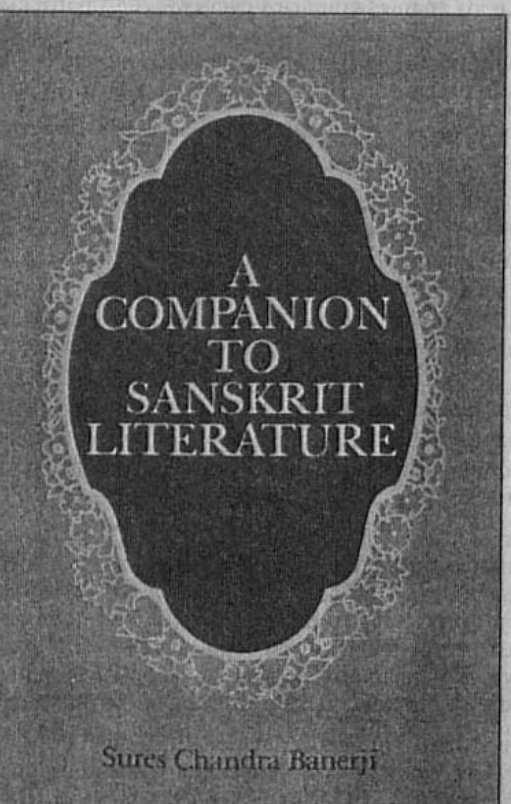


Satyajit Ray's work

Edited by Anwar Hossain Pintu

Price: Tk. 500.00

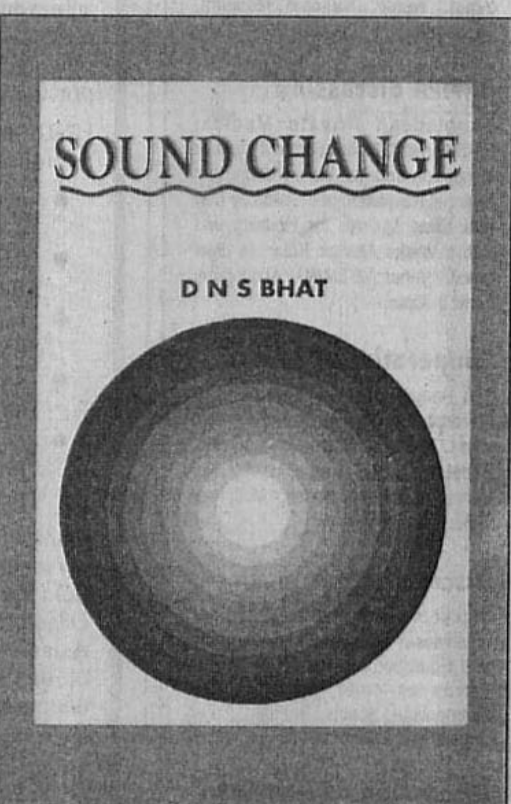
Satyajit Ray's work on Rabindranath Tagore is mainly through the camera lens. But he simultaneously created an aesthetic world on the Nobel laureate poet's works. It is a kind of Satyajit's homage to the poet as well as to his own childhood times spent in Santiniketan. The book is also a bridge between the thoughts and works of the two great Bengalees.



A Companion to Sanskrit Literature

Sures Chandra Banerji

Price: Tk. 675.00



Sound Change

DNS Bhat

Price: Tk. 675.00

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CDs & DVDs

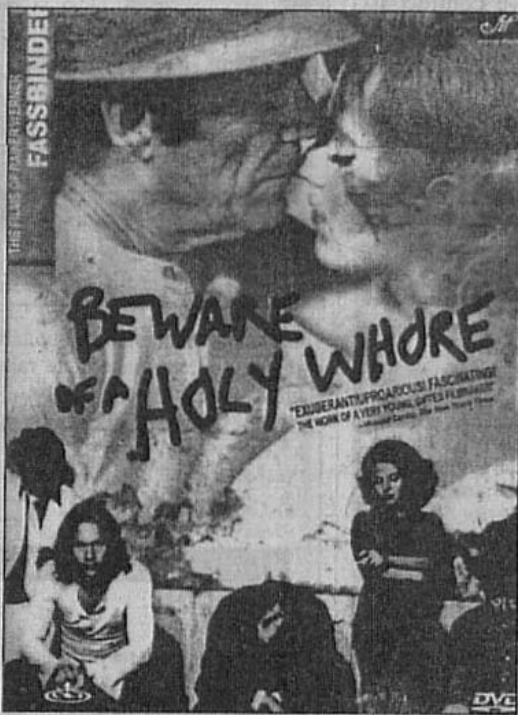
Classic Movies



Islam: Empire of Faith

Directed by Robert A Gardner

Price: Tk. 120.00



Beware of a Holy Whore

Directed by Rainer Werner Fassbinder

Cast: Lou Castel, Eddie Constantine, Marquard Bohm, Hanna Schygulla, Rainer Werner Fassbinder

Price: Tk. 120.00

On a film set there are two things missing, the film material and the director. So the actors and actresses as well as the crew try to make the best out of the situation. When the director arrives the material is still missing and so they still wait and try to make the best out of the situation. When the material finally arrives all folks involved into the film find themselves in a weird situation. Jealousy, concurrence and despair are ruling. Nobody seems to be able to break through this atmosphere, so they all still try to make the best out of the situation, but this is probably not the way to finish the film.

Source: Movie Plus, 322 Rifles Square (3rd Floor), Dhanmondi; Phone no. 0189192979; Email: movie@connectbd.com



Chokher Bali

Directed by Rituparno Ghosh

Cast: Aishwarya Rai, Prasenjit Chatterjee, Raima Sen, Tota Roychowdhury

Price: 120.00



The Merchant of Four Seasons

Directed by Rainer Werner Fassbinder

Irm Hermann, Hans Hirschmüller, Hanna Schygulla, Klaus Löwitsch

Price: Tk. 120.00

Hailed as a defining moment in a Fassbinder's prolific career, the film tells the story of Hans, a street fruit peddler and born loser. His choice of career upsets his bourgeois family causing him to turn to drinking and violence. After recovering from a debilitating heart attack, his business finally begins to take off. However, the more he becomes a credit to his family, the more depressed he becomes. One sociable day, while toasting his friends and family, he decides to drink himself to death.



The Message

The Story of Islam

Directed by Moustapha Akkad

Cast: Anthony Quinn, Irene Papas, Michael Ansara

Price: Tk. 200.00

It is the 7th century in Mecca, where powerful leaders are in conflict with Mohammed who attacks their way of life and the injustice it produces. After seeing a vision of the Angel Gabriel, Mohammed calls the people of Mecca to cast aside the 300 idols of the Kaaba and worship only one God. Despite bitter opposition from the leaders of Mecca, Mohammed and his faithful followers meet secretly to listen to the revelations of the word of God.



My Fair Lady

Directed by George Cukor

Cast: Audrey Hepburn, Rex Harrison

Price: Tk. 130.00

Gloriously witty adaptation of the Broadway musical about Professor Henry Higgins, who takes a bet from Colonel Pickering that he can transform unrefined, dirty Cockney flower girl Eliza Doolittle into a lady, and fool everyone into thinking she really is one, too! He does, and thus young aristocrat Freddy Eynsford-Hill falls madly in love with her. But when Higgins takes all the credit and forgets to acknowledge her efforts, Eliza angrily leaves him for Freddy, and suddenly Higgins realizes he's grown accustomed to her face and can't really live without it.

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