

## CULTURAL FEAST

## Celebration of Victory Day

**Title:** Bijoy Utshab 2004  
**Organiser:** Liberation War Museum  
**Venue:** Liberation War Museum, 5, Shegun Bagicha  
**Time:** December 10-16, at 6:00pm everyday  
**Schedule**  
**December 15**  
**Deshar Gaan** (patriotic songs) by Jatiyo Rabindrasangeet Shammilon Parishad and Shargaan by Indrabati Boat-race Group of Jamalpur.  
**December 16**  
 Special programme for children, will start at 9:00am. This includes recitation, songs, general and devotes dance by Uddichi and special solo musical programme by Swastika Mukhapadhaya.

## National Zainul Festival 2004



**Occasion:** 90th Birth Anniversary of Shipacharya Zainul Abedin  
**Organiser:** Bangladesh Shipakala Academy, Bangladesh National Museum and Bengali Foundation  
**Time:** December 10-30  
**Schedule**  
**December 12-January 07**  
**Special Exhibition of Zainul Abedin**  
**Time:** 11am to 7pm on weekdays and 3:00pm to 8:00pm on Fridays  
**Venue:** Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, 275/F, Road 27, Dhanmondi, Bangladesh Shipakala Academy and Bangladesh National Museum.  
**December 17-30**  
**Handicrafts Fair**  
**Time:** From 11am to 7pm on weekdays and 3:00pm to 8:00pm on Fridays  
**Venue:** Bangladesh Shipakala Academy  
**December 22-24**  
**Folk Song Festival**  
**Time:** Everyday at 6:00pm  
**Venue:** Bangladesh Shipakala Academy Premises  
**December 24**  
**Seminar on the life and works of Zainul Abedin**  
**Time:** at 9:30am  
**Venue:** National Experimental Theatre Hall, Bangladesh Shipakala Academy

**Film Screening**  
**Organiser:** Dhaka Film Society (DFS)  
**Venue:** Russian Centre of Science & Culture, House # 510, Road # 7, Dhanmondi R/A  
**Time:** December 14  
**Schedule**  
**3:00pm** At Dawn It's Quite Here (Stanislov Rostovsky, Russia 1972)  
**6:30pm** Concert for Bangladesh

## Children's Competition

**Title:** Children's recitation and patriotic Nazrul song competition  
**Organiser:** Nazrul Institute  
**Occasion:** Victory Day  
**Venue:** Kabibhaban, Nazrul Institute, Dhanmondi  
**Time:** December 14-15

## Bijoy Utshab 2004

An evening dedicated to martyrs of Liberation War

## CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

THE Victory Day Celebration of Shammilto Shangkritik Jote began at the Shaheed Minar. The organisation members, however, were disappointed by the fact that for the first time in 14 years the group was denied permission to hold its programme at the Bakultala premises, one of its major regular venues.

The four-day long celebration was inaugurated by poet Shamsur Rahman at the Shaheed Minar premises on December 13. Presided over by Nasiruddin Yousuff, the president of SSJ, Justice KM Sobhan, Kamal Lohani, Asaduzzaman Noor, Ramendu Majumder, Liaquat Ali Lucky, Mannan Heera, reciters from West Bengal Partho Ghosh and Gouri Ghosh also spoke on the occasion.

'Our spirit of Liberation War should be guarded against the anti-



Little dancers of Spandan performs to the beat of a patriotic song

PHOTO: STAR



A cultural group presents a chorus

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## LIBERATION WAR MEMORIES

## Timir Nandy: When music was his weapon

## KAVITA CHARANJ

I am proud that I could fight with my voice, even if not with arms, says a nostalgic Timir Nandy, harking back to the Liberation War. Long time singer and music director for Bangladesh Betar and BTV, Nandy also has another persona. He has worked 14 years as a music teacher and piano instructor with SFX Greenhale International School, Dhaka.

Nandy is nostalgic as he goes back to the turbulent times of the Liberation War when he worked actively with what was then the Swadhin Bangla Betar Kendra (SBBK) in Kolkata. Excerpts from a recent conversation with The Daily Star.

'Before the attack on March 25, 1971, we went to Kurigram to join our relatives. We heard that the Pakistani army had carried out a genocide all over the then East Pakistan. When the army came to Rangpur, we decided to move to the village Bagua. Every night we listened to SBBK because we had doubts about the authenticity of Pakistani radio broadcasts.

'I was then 13 and wanted to join the battle but my family thought that I was too young to do so. The Pakistanis were killing and attacking innocent people in houses and villages. The Pakistani army had spread out to Ulipur near Bagua. We rented a big boat and prepared to

move to India to a safer place.

In Kolkata, we were on the lookout for SBBK. Once I saw a photograph in one of the dailies. The picture depicted a young freedom fighter putting his rifle on the feet of his father and asking for his blessings. The picture inspired me to take part in the war.

My mother felt that I should join



the SBBK if I wanted to play a role in the war. Finally, after a long search, I was able to locate the organisation, which was based in Ballygunge, Kolkata.

At SBBK, I came in contact with many Bangladeshi music directors and renowned singers. Among them were Mohammad Abdul Jabbar, Ajit Roy, Shujee Shyam, Fakir Alamgir,

Liberation forces,' said Shamsur Rahman.

As many as 80 singers of Chhayanaut, Uddichi, Wishiz, Kranti and Padatik started the programme with the National Anthem *Amar Shonar Bangla*, which struck a nationalistic chord in the audience. The rendition of the popular *Gono Sangeet* (people's song) *Purba digontey shurja uthecchey* made the audience nostalgic. Poet Shamsur Rahman, accompanied by the organisers, then placed a floral wreath at the base of the Shaheed Minar. A one-minute silence was observed in memory of the martyrs of the Liberation War.

The second part of the programme featured cultural performances. Spandan's little dancers, carrying the national flower, the

lotus, and some Bangla alphabets in their hands, danced to the beat of patriotic songs. Salma Akbar, Bulbul Mahalanabish, Samar Barua, Biswajit Roy and Mamun Zahid Khan presented various songs of Rabindranath Tagore, Swadhin Bangla Betar Kendra, folk songs and modern songs.

Cultural groups Srote, Nibedan and Khelaghar also performed recitation, songs and dance pieces. The last attraction of the evening was Shubachan's street drama.

Rayer Bazar Intellectual Memorial, Rabindra Sarovar Open Stage at Dhanmondi, Mohila Shamity Auditorium, Mirpur Stadium and some other places of Dhaka University are the other venues of the programme. The programmes will start every day at 4pm.

Channel i to telecast *Danger Man* of Ferdous Wahid

## CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

The premiere show of the telefilm *Danger Man*, directed by singer Ferdous Wahid, was held recently.

Produced by Masud Ahmed, the film presents ODM, a private investigating agency run by several former military officers. These intrepid people are committed to the cause of justice and are vocal opponents of anti-socials. The front-running agent is 'Danger Man'.

Acclaimed film director Nargis Akhter, Intekhab Mahmud, senior vice-president, sales and marketing, Citycell and singer Shubir Nandi were present at the premiere.

Dwelling on the strengths of the film, Nargis Akhter said, 'The touch of modernisation in this film will amuse everyone. The special effects and the background music are praiseworthy.'

Ferdous Wahid plays *Danger Man*. Some young and upcoming artists also in the cast.

On the occasion of the Victory Day, Channel i will telecast *Danger Man* as a special telefilm.

## THE NATIONAL ZAINUL FESTIVAL 2004

## Early works of the master

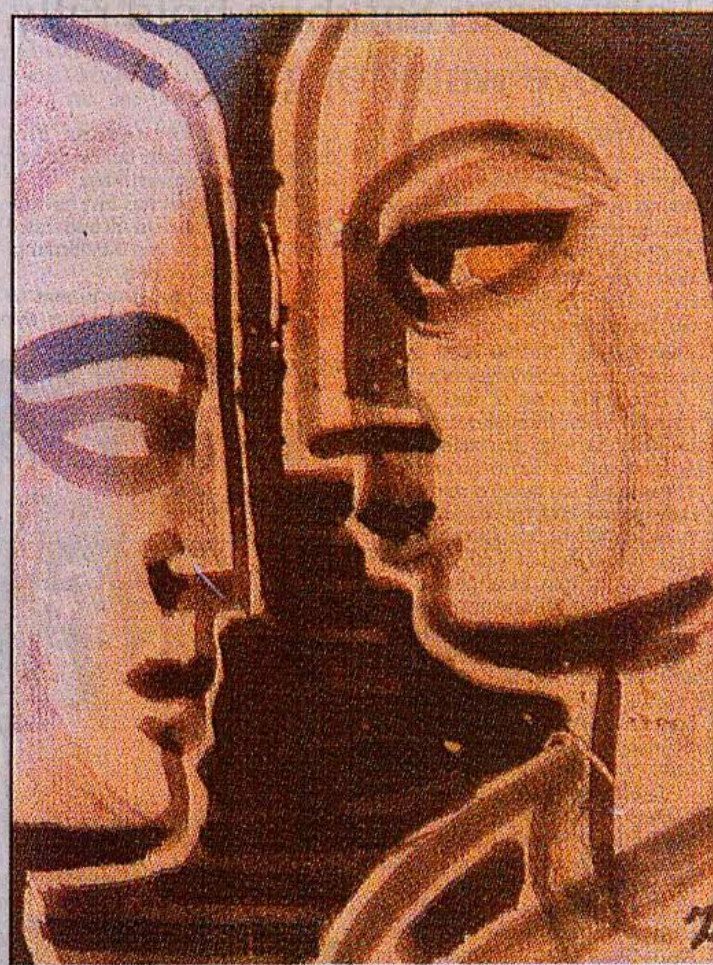
## FAYZA HAQ

I Fone wants a vast array of Zainul Abedin's earlier pencil and pen and ink sketches one has only to visit the collection at Bengal Foundation Gallery. There one finds the pen, ink and watercolour portrait of a man with glasses. Here his clothes have only been suggested, and he has some blue washes on his face and hair. The background too has a blue indigo wash. There is *Rebellion*, which brings in a powerful, statuesque bull struggling with his head and hoofs against the pulling of ropes.

Two famine sketches bring in a couple sitting with covered heads on the ground and holding on to a child, with a begging bowl in front. Another such image brings in a barely clad woman looking for food, with a small container in her hand. The next one depicts two bent images in rags, also begging for food. Another has a skinny girl holding up her hands to her brother who is eating from an upturned bowl. There are three large black crows surrounding the children.

There is a portrait of a woman in which only the face has been brought in with sweeps of the hair tied back. The subject appears to be pondering over some thought. The bird study in pen and ink brings dainty sketches of flying cranes with long beaks, legs and blue scalloped wings. A landscape in pen, ink and watercolour depicts tall trunks and decorative leaves which are tinted with blue.

A study in pen and ink against a chutney-green background shows an old craftsman with white beard, cap, glasses and sarong, busy at his work. The study of the reclining figure presents a resting woman with flowing black hair. This is done in pen and ink. The study of the standing woman has a bare bodomed woman wearing a striped sarong and with her dark hair in a bun. Three more studies bring a standing woman with her arms akimbo and staring on in front. The next brings two European men sitting at tea and chatting amicably. The third has a man in blue reading with a pile of books resting on his knee.



Two Faces, watercolour

A study has a mother and child theme with the mother cuddling her baby on her lap. This is done in pencil. Another study has a woman comforting another by putting her arms around the other person. This is done in pen, ink and blue wash. A pen and ink sketch brings in a man pulling a cart of milk pails. There is then a woman in a sari, seen from the back and this is in watercolour washes. A Japanese man's head and kimono top is brought in the next pen and ink sketch.

A reclining woman's figure is brought in a sketch touched up with watercolour. A landscape with

houses, cliffs and bushes, containing the figure of a woman and a child is done in pen. Equally unusual is the landscape study with people gathered around a grounded boat. The portrait of a child with curly hair is brought in a pen and ink sketch. A woman peeping through an opening in the wall is seen in another delineation.

There are some works in washes such as the landscapes that bring in trees, houses and paths in red, blue green and yellow sweeps. They bring in idyllic images of homes.

The sketches are powerful and often not seen before.



Rebellion, brush and ink

## TV GUIDE

## PICK OF THE DAY



## Joney Joney Janata

Special drama serial (Part 2)

On Channel i at 8:25pm

Story: Rabeya Khatun, Direction: Saidul Anam Tutul

Cast: Raisul Islam Asad, Shams Shuman, Litu Anam, Shamim Zaman, Meem

Lahab, Sahab, Nabab and Rubai are

siblings from a middle class family.

Lahab and Sahab join the guerilla force

to fight for their motherland.

The Pakistani army one day arrest their

father and he never comes back. Rubai

falls in love with Hridoy, who tries to

save the family amidst curfew during

the last ten days of the war. Despite all

his efforts, the Pakistani army catches

Rubai and takes her to a concentration

camp.

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

## ATN BANGLA

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

## CHANNEL-i

News Headlines (Bangla) at 10:00 am, 12:00 am, 6:15 pm, 9:30 pm.  
 News (Bangla) 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

## BTV

07:30 Bangladesh Hriday  
 09:00 Sateema Programme  
 12:15 Shengbad Poter Pata  
 12:30 Shasthya Totiya  
 01:05 Jhilmil  
 02:05 Khele Khele  
 02:30 Computer  
 02:30 Hija Tama  
 03:05 Shukhi Paribar  
 03:35 Musical Programme  
 04:05 Open University  
 04:30 Science Programme  
 05:05 Mail O Menush  
 05:30 Prescription  
 06:10 Musical Programme  
 06:35 Programme of Chittagong Centre  
 07:05 Shusthya Thakun  
 07:30 Bhako Thakun  
 07:30 The World's Greatest Show  
 08:30 Drama Serial: Kharer Putul  
 09:00 Drama Serial: Krishnakali  
 10:25 Tektat Tektat Talula  
 10:35 Talk Show  
 11:00 Swadesh Shanskritik

## CHANNEL-i

09:45 Tithyo Matra  
 10:45 Sports Time  
 11:00 Bangla Feature Film: Bara Bhalo Lok Chhilo  
 01:35 Public Reaction  
 03:45 Bangla Gean  
 04:15 Bol Eobong Bol  
 04:45 Sa Re Ga Ma  
 05:30 Goner Operay  
 06:00 Music Plus  
 06:30 Gilette World Sports  
 07:55 RC Travel On  
 08:25 Drama Serial: Joney Joney Janata  
 09:35 Drama Serial: Din Choley Jay

## 10:00

Drama Serial: Banchee Je Ki Shukhi

## ATN BANGLA

10:30 Talk Show: Anandriti  
 11:15 Drama Serial: Adol Budd  
 11:50 Drama Serial: Shiharah Shimany  
 12:30 Bangla Feature Film  
 03:15 Drama Serial: Bou Chai  
 03:50 Uro Gola Shat Rang  
 04:30 Shapla Shaluk  
 05:10 Motamot  
 06:20 Manosh  
 08:00 The Sword of Tipu Sultan  
 08:30 Drama Serial: Khowab  
 09:00 Drama Serial: Shupatror Shandhaney  
 09:30 Drama Serial: New Files  
 10:30 Face To Face Live

## ntv

08:00 Aajker Shakal  
 09:20 Kathokathori  
 10:02 Zoo Adventure  
 10:30 Aashinagar  
 11:00 Transworld Sports  
 12:02 Circus Lights  
 02:35 Sporsheer Baire  
 03:05 Selected Talk Show  
 03:45 Drama Serial: Shyaola Fardi  
 04:25 Apnar Jigyasha  
 05:20 Shubho Shondhya  
 06:20 Nari Gharey Bairey  
 08:15 Sidika Kabir's Recipe  
 08:50 Kichhu Katha Kichhu Gean  
 09:40 Drama Serial: Shyaola Dindarpan  
 11:25  
 10:30 Barney's Great Adventure  
 12:00 Final Analysis  
 2:30 Sleepstalker: The

## STAR GOLD

4:30 Sandman's Last Rites  
 9:50 Tales From The Crypt  
 13:30 Death To Smoochy  
 5:15 Hard Target  
 7:30 Charlie's Angels  
 9:30 Swordfish  
 11:30 Final Analysis  
 8:15 Les Miserables  
 10:30 Shark Zone  
 12:00 Sabrelooth  
 2:00 Leo  
 3:45 Tooth  
 5:20 Special Forces  
 7:00 In Hell  
 8:40 Long Time Dead  
 10:15 Shark Zone  
 11:45 Hellbound: Hellraiser II  
 1:30 Hollywood Ending

## STAR PLUS

4:00 Kahin To Hoga  
 4:30 K Street Pali Hill  
 5:00 Maan  
 6:00 Shadi Number One  
 6:30 Fox Kids  
 7:30 Kurnikum - Pyara Sa Bandhan  
 8:00 Hello Dollie  
 8:30 Dehlo Magar Pyaar Se  
 9:00 Kasauti Zindagi Kay

## STAR WORLD

9:30 Sanjivani  
 10:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Ki  
 11:00 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bhi Thi  
 11:30 Kahin To Hoga  
 1:30 Koffee With Karan  
 2:27 Star Asia Travel  
 2:30 Oprah Winfrey  
 4:30 Hollywood Squares  
 5:00 Whose Line Is It Anyway  
 5:30 Miami Vice  
 6:30 The Simpsons  
 7:00 Home Improvement  
 8:00 Just Shoot Me  
 8:30 Ed  
 9:30 Philly  
 10:30 Third Watch III  
 11:27 Star Asia Travel

## NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

9:30 Zambesi Troop  
 10:30 The White Elephant  
 11:30 Young Global Hot Shots  
 12:30 The Simran Show  
 1:00 Croc Chronicles S2  
 3:30 Zambesi Troop  
 5:30 Africa From The Ground Up  
 6:00 Planet Wild  
 6:30 \$100 Tax Ride  
 7:00 Game For It  
 7:30 Spider Power  
 8:30 X-Force  
 9:30 Women Of K2  
 10:30 Riddles Of The Dead S2  
 11:30 Heaven And Empire-The

## White Elephant

11:30 Great Crimes & Trials of the 20th Century  
 12:30 Wild Discovery Untamed Earth  
 1:30 Science Frontiers  
 2:30 Mutants-Part 2  
 3:30 Seven Wonders of the Industrial World  
 4:30 Drama On Discovery  
 5:30 Global Treks  
 6:00 Mystery Hunters  
 6:30 Junkyard Wars  
 7:30 Hovercraft  
 8:30 Wild Discovery Untamed Earth  
 9:30 Unsolved History Who Killed JFK?  
 10:00 In Therapy  
 10:30 Building the Ultimate Roller Coaster  
 11:30 Dangersman, Warrior Women  
 11:30 New Detectives

## ANIMAL PLANET

12:30 Pet Nation Breed All About It Chnauzer  
 2:30 Reveals Asia Orang-utans  
 3:30 Reveals Asia Natural World Hokkaido-Garden of the Gods  
 4:30 Abandoned Animals  
 5:00 Four Story Fall  
 5:30 The Planet's Funniest Animals  
 6:00 Amazing Animal Videos  
 6:30 Zookeepers  
 7:00 Monkey Business  
 7:30 Episode 5  
 8:30 Action! Animals  
 9:30 Animal Planet Reveals Asia In The Wild  
 10:30 Natural World Temple Troop  
 11:30 Predators Natural Born Killers

## 11:00

Supernatural Paranormal

Wild Encounters Doctor Dogs

## ESPN

8:00 Games X - Slammed & Stomped (T)  
 8:30 English Premier Football League 2004/05 Arsenal Vs Chelsea  
 10:30 English Premier Football League 2004/05 Aston Villa Vs Birmingham City (R)  
 12:30 Uefa Champions League Extra Group Phase 1 (T)  
 2:30 World Tenpin Masters 2004 (T)  
 3:30 English Premier Football League 2004/05 Norwich City Vs Bolton Wanderers (R)  
 5:30 Games X - Slammed & Stomped (R)  
 6:00 English Premier Football League 2004/05 Newcastle United Vs Portsmouth (R)  
 8:00 Hiz (T)  
 8:30 Sportscenter India (L)  
 9:00 Goals! (T)  
 9:30 Pro Billiards 2004 Women's Trick Shot  
 10:30 Classic Boxing Arguello Vs Olivares/ Chavez Vs Ahn (R)  
 11:30 Sportscenter India (R)  
 12:00 Harsha Ki King Auditions-Kolkata Lucknow & Jury Review (R)  
 10:30 Pga Tour Golf Target World Challenge Usa Final Round (T)  
 12:30 English Premier Football League 2004/05 Fulham Vs Manchester United

## 2:30

Hitz - (R)

Pro Billiards 2004 Women's Trick Shot

Magic Unasville Ct Usa

Jeanette Lee Vs Ewa

Laurance Champion-

ship (T)

Tiger Cup 2004 Vietnam

Vs Laos Group A/L

Extreme Programming

Sports Maria

Japan Gt Championships

2004/05 Moleja

Japan Round 5(T)

Road To The Australian

Open (T)

Sportsline - (L)

Uefa Champions League

Extra Group Phase 1

Matchweek 6(T)

Sportsline - (R)

Asia Golf Travel (T)

Golf Tournament

Cadbury Schweppes

Australian Pga

Championships 2004

Queensland Australia

Highlights(T)

## TEN SPORTS

10:30 Gamer TV  
 11:00 Top Ten Batsmen  
 11:30 ATP Tennis  
 12:30 German League  
 Highlights  
 2:30 Ronaldo 11 v Zidane 11  
 3:00 ICC Cricket World  
 3:30 ATP Tennis  
 4:00 Gillette World Sport  
 4:30 Sportswatch  
 5:30 Italian Serie A -  
 Highlights  
 6:30 WWE: After Burn:  
 Highlights  
 7:30 Top Ten Batsmen  
 8:00 Ronaldo 11 v Zidane 11  
 10:00 Portuguese League H/Ls  
 11:00 WWE: After Burn:  
 Highlights  
 12:00 German League  
 1:00 Highlights