Retrospective

Title: Tanvirer Dol, retrospective on Tanvir Mokammel Organiser: Alliance Française January 14

06:00pm Inauguration of photography exhibition of Pierre Claquin on making of Lalshalu, Oyee Jamuna and Lalon Screening of Achin Pakhi

January 16 05:00 pm Oyee Jamuna 06:00 pm Chitra Nodir Parey January 17

05:00 pm Images and Impressions (Documentary on the ideals of the International Folk High School in Denmark) 06:00 pm Lalshald

January 18 06:00 pm Lalon

Children's Art Competition



Organiser: Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy, National Museum and Bengal Foundation Occasion: 90th birth anniversary of Shilpacharya Zainul Abedin Venue: Bengal Shilpaloy, House 2757F, Road 27, Dhanmondi Time: January 13, at 3:00pm

Exhibition

Title: Book and album exhibition Occasion: 210th birth anniversary of Russian painter Valentine A Serov Venue: Library, Russian Centre of Science and Culture, House 510, Road 7, Dhanmond Time: January 09-13

Title: Russian Crystal Glass Mela Venue: Exhibition Hall, Russian Centre of Science and Culture, House 510, Road 7, Dhanmondi Time: January 10, at 5:00pm



Mrito Pakhi by Rafigun Nabi

Artists: (Bangladesh) Quamrul Hasan, Aminul Islam, Qayyum Chowdhury, Debdas Chakraborty, Hashem Khan, Samarjit Roy Chowdhury, Monirul Islam, Rafigun Nabi, Nitun Kundu, Mahmudul Haque, Abdus Shakoor, Farida Zaman, Ranji Das and Maksudul Ahsan; (India) FN Souza, MF Husain, KG Subramanyan, Jogen Chawdhury, Sanat Kar, Uttam Kumar Basak and Adity Chokravarti Venue: Shilpangan, House 25, Road

Time: December 30-January 8, from 10am to 1pm and 5pm to 8pm

Play

Title: Sangbad Cartoon Group: Chekhov Theatre Venue: Auditorium, Russian Centre of Science and Culture, House 510, Road 7, Dhanmondi Time: January 17, at 5:00pm

My heroes

Babita on her silver-screen co-actors

HARUN UR RASHID

B ABITA is a name associated with the golden period of the country's film industry. Pioneer of glamour and fashion in cinema, she has won world acclaim for her dedicated histrionic skills. This reputation gave her an opportunity to work with Oscar-winning filmmaker Satyajit Rayin his Ashoni Shanket.

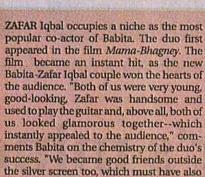
Who were her silver-screen heroes? In her long career in filmdom, Babita has performed with almost all the popular actors of her time: Razzaque, Faruq, Sohel Rana, Bulbul Ahmed and, of course, Zafar Iqbal--obviously the best choice of the audience.



RAZZAQUE was Babita's first silver-screen hero, in the traditional sense of the term. Interestingly, her first ever film Shangshar also featured Razzaque in the role of her father. "It was a supposed in the role of the father." It was a supposed in the role of the father. also leatured Razzaque in the role of her father. "It was an uneasy situation for me to act against someone whom I had called 'father' only a few days back!" says a chuckling Babita. "Razzaque was like a family member to us. My brother-in-law Zahir Raihan introduced him to the film industry and he often used to visit us. Yet, the initial discomfort of used to visit us. Yet, the initial discomfort of throwing all those romantic dialogues at him was terrible," recalls Babita going back to the time of shooting the film Pitch Dhala Path.

However, the popular actor was "very generous and cooperative with his co-artistes". "He would brief me how he was going to deliver the dialogue, or what he was going to do, and how in return he wanted me to act," recalls Babita. Definitely, the primary inhibition did not last long. After the release of the film, the duo became a great hit. The romantic couple was featured in many box office hits later including Swaralipi.

FARUQ became an ideal of the "village rebellious youth". "Films with him like Nayon-Moni, Lathial and Golapi Ekhon Trainey were a massive success," says Babita. "The basically mild-natured Faruq always won his audience by his angry young man image. Films on social issues like these still have the potential to attract the mass as they did then. Our directors should make a come-back with such life and truthoriented stories," she adds.



played a positive role in the success of our films. Later, we did together Antoraley, Ek Mutho Bhat, Harjit, Love in Singapore and many other films most of which were bighits," concludes Babita.







Winter time

A feast of pithas and folk songs

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Imagine a crunchy bite on Nakshi pitha, dipped in condensed date juice accompanied with the folk music by the mystiques of Bengal in the bustling Dhaka City. Or savour plain *Chitoi* pitha with ground mustard and Shutki (dried fish). Or relish the hot tempting Bhapa Pitha ... If talking about pithas-the traditional winter cakes--there are many more that symbolise the authentic flavour of Bangalee culture. Especially, during the cold and misty winter morning sitting beside a mud stove with mom and granny making hot *pithas* and relishing those afterwards--is a very common sight in rural areas. But the city dwellers rarely get such an opportunity to enjoy these delicacies. To bring back the perishing pitha culture into the city life, Kebab-e-Q, a restaurant popularly known as KEQ, takes the initiative and regularly organises a festival of Bangladeshi pithas and live Bangla music every Saturday.

On Saturday evening last at KEQ was a fusion of Lalon singers and a feast of pithas. Delicious Patishapta-- a Banglalee stuffed pancake, Rosh



Baul songs were an added attraction at the pitha festival

Chitoi, Narkel Pooli, Mung Pakan, Malpua, Jhal Pitha, Nokshi Pitha, Vapa Pitha, Plain Chitoi with bharta and many other varieties of tangible pithas were savoured by a good number of foreigners as well as

The addition was the songs by the

mystique Lalon singers. Barir kachher arshinagar, Amrito megher bari, Shunilei pran chomke uthey, Shomoy geley shadhon hobeyna, Ke banailo emon rangmaahalkhana-were the few highlighted songs of the three-hour-long programme. Jamaluddin Tuntun, AKM Shamsuddoha, Anwar Hossain, Mizanur Rahman and the only female singer Tripti enthralled the audience with their powerful renditions and lyrics accompanied with the tunes of ektara, dotara, tabla, flute, mandira and dhol. "It is a great opportunity for us to be able to entertain the younger generation, as many of them don't have a clear vision about our roots and the spirit of Fakir Lalon Shah. Even today we are performing in front of a sizeable number of foreigners who can also have a glimpse of our culture," said an enthusiast singer Shamsuddoha.

The programme went a long way in bringing Lalon songs and delectable pithas to the younger generation.

Eid specials on Channel i

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Channel i offers special programmes such as drama, tele-film, musical, magazine and dance programmes on this Eid-ul-Azha. Prominent and popular artistes will feature these shows, which will be telecast during the week following

Wrong Number: The much awaited Bangla feature film Wrong Number will be telecast on Eid day at 3:00pm. Directed by Matin Rahman, the film features popular artistes such as Srabonti, Riaz, Abdul Qader, Dolly Zahur, ATM Shamsuzzaman and Amol Bose. The story revolves around different comic

events related to telephone. Athoi is a young girl who loves to dial wrong numbers and talk to unknown people. And through such an incident, she gets connected with a boy. But unfortunately she never gets the chance to meet him. The story advances through a series of hilarious incidents. Popular music composers Ayub Bachchu,

Emon Saha, Tutul, Nochiketa have composed songs while famous singers Konokchampa, Asif, Panthokanai, Udit Narayan, Ferdous Ara and Mehreen have sung for the film.

Kala Golar Mala: On the sixth day of Eid, this telefilm will be aired at 3:00pm. Azizul Hakim,



Azizul Hakim, Tania and co-artiste in Kala Golar Mala

Tania Ahmed, Litu Anam, Shyamoli, Ejazul Islam, Saleh Ahmed, Faruq Ahmed, Shatadal Barua and others will take part in different roles.

The story is about an innocent village boy named Kala Mia who can hardly do any job

properly. He makes a fool of himself and is a laughing stock for his stupidity in the village. The script is written by the director of the telefilm Monir Hossin Jibon based on a story by Zakir

Sharon Stone to cross David Morrisey in Basic Instinct sequel

AFP, Los Angeles

Intricately designed Nakshi pitha

Sharon Stone will reportedly reprise her role in Basic Instinct, playing a seductive novelist opposite British actor David Morrisey, who has been cast as a psychiatrist.

In Basic Instinct 2: Risk Addiction, Morrisey's character will try to treat novelist Catherine Tramell, who once again finds herself in some legal trouble. "David Morrisey is one of Britain's most talented actors and is the perfect choice to play opposite Sharon in Basic Instinct 2," producer Mario Kassarsaid.

Filming is set to start in London in March.
In the first *Basic Instinct*, Stone and co-star Michael Douglas made box office magic in 1992, and Stone made headlines worldwide for cinema's arguably most memorable leg crossing.





Riddle Of The Dead

Pet Nation Breed All

Pet Nation K-9 To 5

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O'Shea's Big Adventure

Ultimate Killers Strength

The Protectors Miami

Animal Police Gator

Vets In the Wild

Monkey Business

The Blue Planet

On The Edge

The Planet's Funniest

Amazing Animal Videos

Ultimate Killers Strength

Animal Planet Showcase

Little Saki's Monkeys

Story, Crocodiles

The Whole Story Whole

Military Monkeys: Outpost

at the Crocodile River

Future Perfect Time

In the Python's Grip

Under Pressure

Sabotage

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Emergency Vets

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DISCOVERY

A scene from the play Shantan

Varsity Theatre celebrates 14th anniversary

Varsity Theatre recently celebrated its 14th anniversary. The two-day event featured staging of two plays, Naptali and Shantan, at the Experimental Theatre Hall, says a press release.

Naptali, written by Professor Zakir Hossain and directed by Arju Khan, had its second show on the inaugural day of the festival. Shantan, written and directed by Arju Khan, was staged for the 55th time, at the closing day of the event.

Varsity Theatre is about to bring its 21st production, Rab, soon.

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Winter X Games (R)

Zimbabwe Tour Of

Bangladesh 1st Test Day

5 2nd & 3rd Sessions (L)

Tour De Taiwan 2004

Fa Cup Classic Matches

Chesterfield 96/97 Semi

FA Cup Highlights (T)

Sportscenter India (L)

Bangladesh Chittagong

Bangladesh 1st Test Day

England Tour Of South

Africa Castle Lager/Mtr

Test Series Cape Town

South Africa 3rd Test

Sportscenter India (R)

Sportscenter Asia (S

Day 5 Highlights(T)

Zimbabwe Tour Of

5 Highlights (S)

Middlesbrough Vs

TV GUIDE

PICK OF THE DAY

All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the programme.

News Bulletin

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 News (English) at 3:00 pm. 10:00 pm.

Late Night News (Bangla and English)

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

Telecast of BTV news (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm. ATN BANGLA News (Bangla) at 7:00 am.10:00am.

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BBC WORLD Every hour on the hour BTV 07:30 Shubhechha Nin 08:15 Programme From Bishwa Protidin 09:00 Live Telecast From Chittagong 1st Test Match Between Bangladesh And Open University

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Children's Programme

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Music Plus

Business Show 07:50 Drama Serial: Poribar O Ekti Company Sunsilk Opshora Drama Serial: Shompuma Rangin 10:00 Career Show

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9:30 11:30 True Crime Saint Sinner The Astronaut's Wife STAR MOVIES 8:15 Children Of The Corn li Die Another Day Poolhall Junkies 1:30 Deadly Betrayal 3:10 Year Of The Dragon

Reign Of Fire

The 25th Hour

Last Samura 12:30 Leo STAR GOLD Hatya 1:30 Shradhanja 4:10 4:45 8:30

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Kahiin To Hoga

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Poribar O Ekti Company

Cast: Aly Zaker, Ataur Rahman, Aupi Karim,

Intekhab Dinar, Mir Sabbir, Sharmin Shila,

Deepa Khondokar, Gazi Rakayet, Jayonto

Script: Akhtaruzzaman, Direction: Gazi

The drama serial is about a rich but decaying

family. Late All Haydar, a well-known business

tycoon of the city, had put all his savings in a

bank since his sons were not very responsible

and usually spent their time idly gossiping

with friends. Dependent on their late father's

legacy, they do not earn enough to make a

Chattyapadhayay, Wahida Mallik Jolly

On Channel i at 7:50pm

Drama Serial

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Storm Stories Riddle Of The Dead When Nature Strikes Next Wave National Geographic Dogs With Jobs S3

The Simran Show

Discovery's Biggest Night Safari 4:30 Coloured Lives: Altered Statesmen Churchill 5:30 Truth Or Scare Dracula 6:00 Baby It's You First Steps 6:30 Africa's Great Rivers 7:00 Amazing Baby Videos

Wild Discovery: Svalbard where Polar Bears Reign What Killed the Mega

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Junkyard Wars: Wheelie

Spartans at the Gates of

FBI Files Without Mercy

International Motorsport

Spanish Football League

Telefonica Dakar Rally

Day 10 Highlights(S) FA Cup 2004/05

Sheffield United Vs

Tennis Masters Cup

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2004 Highlights(T)

Fim World Enduro

Championships 2004

Australian Open 1997

Highlights (T) Telefonica Dakar Rally

Season Review(T)

Uncovered (R)

Aston Villa Third Round

The Golf Club 2004 (R)

News 2005 (T)

2004/05 (S)

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Asian X Games Skateboard Vert P/L's And Final(R) Bangladesh Chittagong Bangladesh 1st Test Day

9:30 ICC Cricket World Cricket Classics: Ind v Pak 23/3/2000 12:00 Garner TV: Ep 2 12:30 ATP Tennis: Ep 10 1:00 ICC Cricket World Gillette World Sport: Ep 2:30 Legends: Tiger Woods: 4:30 ATP Tour Chennai Oper Day 7 H/Ls 5:30 History of Footbal 7:30 WWE Raw ICC Cricket World

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TEN SPORTS

WWE:Heat

8:00 8:30 Top Ten Batsmen 10:00 11:00

Gillette World Sport: Ep Highlights

Gamer TV: Ep 2 Italian Serie A -