# CULTURE

# CULTURAL FEAST

#### Cultural **Programme**

Occasion: Birth Anniversary of Nazrul Organiser: Ministry of Cultural Affairs, People's Republic of Bangladesh Venue: Trishal-Darirampur, Date: May 25-26, at 3pm

### Discussion

Discussants: Begum Selima Khilkhil Kazi, Abul Kalam Maniur Morshed, Shabnam Mustari, Asharaf

Venue: Nazrul Institute Auditorium Date: May 26, at 4pm

Occasion: Founding anniversary of Venue: Kalyani auditorium, 12, New Circular Road, West Malibagh Date: May 26, at 10:30am

Occasion: Death Anniversary of Ustad Abed Hossain Khan Artistes: Students of Ustad Ayet Ali Khan Sangeet Niketon Venue: Goethe-Institut, House 10, Date: May 27, at 7:15pm

Title: Songs of Yesteryears Organiser: Sriion Venue: National Museum Auditorium Date: May 28, at 6:30pm

### Play

Title: Natyatroyee Group: Nagarik Natya Shomproday Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy Time: May 26, at 7pm

#### **Photography Exhibition**

**Organiser:** Mindscape Photographers' Venue: Zainul Gallery, Institute of Fine

Date: May 24-30, From 2pm to 7pm weekdays, 10am to 7pm on Fridays

Title: Architectural landmarks of St. Occasion: International Day of

Venue: Russian Centre of Science & Culture, House 510, Road 7, Dhanmondi Date: May 16-31

# Film Screening

Title: Krzysztof Keislowski Retrospec-Organiser: Zahir Raihan Film Society

Venue: Alliance Francaise, 26, Mirpur Road, Dhanmondi Date: May 23-June 08

### **Exhibition**

Title: Wooden Muse Artist: Rezaul Islam Laylu Venue: Zainul Gallery 1, Institute of Fine Arts, Dhaka University Date: May 24-30, From 12pm to 8pm

Title: Searching Soul in Triangle Artistes: Anadi Kumar Boyragi, Rafiqul Islam Chowdhury, Samir Mazumder Venue: Shaju Art Gallery, House F/28, DCC, North Super Market, 2nd Circle,

Date: May 21-31, from 10am to 8:30pm

Title: Mixed Media Mural Exhibition Artistes: Sameena M. Karim Venue: Art & Soul Gallery, Road 36 Date: May 20-June 4, from 11am to 8pm.

Theme: Paintings, photographs and reproductions of Italian pictures and landscapes

Organiser: Italian Embassy Venue: Bangladesh National Museum Date: May 24-31

# **Nazrul Convention '05**

# Grand reception accorded to Feroza Begum

N the occasion of National Poet Kazi Nazrul Islam's 106th birth annniversary, Nazrul Academy organised a three day-long convention and cultural programme starting from May 23 at the National Theatre Stage, Shilpakala Academy. Legendary Nazrul artiste Feroza Begum was accorded a grand reception and awarded with a crest for her immense contribution to Nazrul sangeet on May 23.

The event was inaugurated by Moudud Ahmed, Minister of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs. After the Chief guest's speech, the special guest at the event, Ahmed Nazir, Director General, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy also spoke on the occasion.

Feroza Begum, one of the pioneers among Nazrul artistes, conveyed her gratitude and her reaction through her speech.

She said, "Today is not my day. Besides, I don't have much to say either. When I started my venture in the world of music, I didn't realise I'd be blessed with the magnitude of love and affection that has

"Today I'm being revered by the masses, but this achievement is not solely mine. This is Nazrul's triumph. I dedicate this salutation and this liturgy to

"My tumultuous musical journey wouldn't have been possible without two individuals. One is Chitta Ray and the other is my soulmate, my husband



Feroza Begum reminiscing her musical journey

Shilpi Parishad

**CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT** 

"The enormous contribution of our

National Poet Kazi Nazrul Islam to

the country's culture can hardly be

measured. Unfortunately Nazrul is

commemorated only twice a year--

on the occasion of his birth and

death anniversaries," said Sujit

Mustafa, a popular singer and one

of the active members of Nazrul Sangeet Shilpi Parishad (NSSP).

Sujit asserted that NSSP was set up

in 1988 to change this scenario and

106th birth anniversary of Kazi

Nazrul Islam, NSSP organised a

three-day musical soiree that ended

on May 25. The programme was

organised at the National Museum

auditorium with the slogan Shonao

timirbhito biswey nabodiner bani,

meaning "enlighten the ones living

attended the programme and ren-

songs of Nazrul. Among the eminent

and popular singers were Fatema

Over a hundred Nazrul singers

Fittingly, on the occasion of the

promote Nazrul Sangeet.

Feroza Begum showered with petals by children at the event

Kamol Das Gupta. Without him, my existence would

"I truly and passionately hope that Nazrul sangeet will be practiced more widely and would reach a new zenith of popularity."

A musical soiree by both renowned and emerging Nazrul artistes from different parts of the country owed. Nazrul songs, immortalised by Feroza Begum were performed at the event and the artistes shared their feelings attached to the songs or nostalgically reminisced on their association with Feroza

Khalid Hossain, teacher of Nazrul Academy shared, "I cannot think of anyone who has not appreciated Feroza Apa's songs." He rendered Agun jalatey ashini, Eshechi deyali jalatey

Shahidul Islam Khan from Dinajpur performed a song on rain based on Raag Jay-Jayanti, Shojol haowa kendey bedaye. Sharmin Shathi Islam presented a very moving performance of Money podey aaj shey kon jonomey S M Salim Akhter from Raishahi, reminisced how

his parents used to hum the song Mora aar jonomey hongsho mithun chilam. His mother had requested

him to perform the song at the event.

Hafiza Sharmin Shumi skillfully rendered a complex Shyama Sangeet, Shyama naamer laglo agun amar deher dhoopkathitey.

National Poet's granddaughter Khilkhil Kazi paid her tribute by singing Amar bhubon kaan petey roy. Shuborno Kazi, a member of the Kazi family from Churuliya, India, rendered the popular song Mor priya hobey esho rani.

Prominent artiste Fatema Tuz Zohra recalled how she used to listen to Feroza Begum's songs secretly, as her parents didn't want any diversion in her studies. She performed a song taught by none other than Feroza Begum. The song Ami purob desher puro nari was received with a round of applause. Popular artiste Nashid Kamal recalled her upbringing with Feroza Begum's songs and rendered Deep nibhiachey jhodey. Ferdous Ara wowed the audience with her vivacious performance of Chomkey chomkey dheer bhiru paye pollibalika bonopothey jaye.

The evening ended, leaving the audience craving for more.

of Nazrul, Khilkhil Kazi and other

prominent Nazrul singers were also

present on May 23. Begining with

the chorus song Tora shob

jayadhwani kar. the musical session

Sujit said, "NSSP has several

programmes to promote Nazrul

songs countrywide, boost talented

new singers and above all preserve

Nazrul songs properly." He also

pointed out that among the 3,500

songs of Nazrul, only about 1,800

songs are available on records.

Moreover, among these songs

about 400 to 500 popular songs are

usually being rendered by the

artistes. As Suiit said. "NSSP wants

to promote the wide range of Nazrul

songs, not just his popular, common

NSSP has arranged regular

monthly shows. NSSP has a plan to

develop a website where along with the life-sketch of Nazrul, the

detailed profiles of Nazrul singers

It's A Very Merry

Muppet Christmas

Spanish Apartmen

Tu Chor Mein Sinahi

Just Married

Dying Young

Den Of Lions

Doodh Ka Karz

Leo

STAR GOLD

STAR WORLD

Magnum P.I.

Star Asia Travel

Oprah Winfrey

**Bold And Beautiful** 

Whose Line Is It

Hollywood Squares

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To further Nazrul Sangeet,

and widely rendered ones.'

will be included.

was compered by Suiit Mustafa.

# **Tribute**

# Legendary actor Sunil Dutt is no more

Veteran Indian actor-turned-politician, Sunil Dutt died on May 25. after a brief illness in Mumbai Dutt. 75, was the minister of sport and youth affairs in the Congressled Indian government and represented Mumbai in Parliament. Dutt, who had been in the public eve for the last five decades, including 40 years as a star actor, is survived by his actor son Sanjay Dutt and two daughters.

Sunil Dutt took filmdom by storm in the 60s and 70s and later went on to chart a fabulous career as politician in the Congress Party from Mumbai.

He came to prominence in politics due to his impeccable reputation for honesty and integrity as well as for his social work for the people. As a major Bollywood star

Sunil Dutt was best known for his role in the film Mother India. His name was taken in the same breath as those of Dilip Kumar, Ashok Kumar and other legendary actors of his time He later went on to marry the

female lead from the same film, legendary actress Nargis, Dutt. along with his wife Nargis, made a name for themselves in the social and cultural circles by contributing their mite for many causes.

Born on June 6, 1929, in



village Khurd, (now in Pakistan) in district Jhelum, Sunil Dutt ventured into movies only after completing his graduation. His first movie was Railway Platform directed by Ramesh Sehgal, with Johnny Walker and Nalini Jaywant as co-stars. His first hit film was B R Chopra's, Ek hi Raasta, 1956.

Although he began his acting career in the 50s, it was his role in Mother India (1956) that catapulted him to fame. He acted alongside the top actresses of the time such as Waheeda Rehman Sadhna, Meena Kumari and

His directorial debut in Reshma Aur Shera was a damp squib, but his acting skill powered his career through the '70s through unforgettable movies like Zaakhmee (1975), Paapi,(1976) and Jaani Dushman (1978), which gave good competition to budding stars like Amitabh Bachchan, Rajesh Khanna, and Dhar-mendra. Apart from these he acted in scores of films, including Sujata, Gumraah, Waqt, Humraaz, Khandaan, Main Chup Rahungi, Yeh Raastein Hain Pyar Ke and Milan.

In 1981 he introduced his son to the filmworld through Rocky, but in the same year his wife died of cancer. It made Sunil stage an exit from the film industry and devote himself to social work and later to politics

His last film was the 2004 release Munnabhai MBBS in which he starred alongside with

With him passes an era in both films and politics in India.

# Revving up the Italian Renaissance art

# Italy: Yesterday and today

**CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT** 

A splendid exhibition of Italian paintings, photographs and reproductions opened recently at the National Museum. Inaugurating the display, Mahbubur Rahman, Secretary Information, said that this exhibit strengthened the existing friendly ties between Italy and Bangladesh. He added that the people of the two countries had several common cultural interests.

Pietro Ballero, the Italian Ambassador, said on the occasion that the paintings and reproductions had translated the beauty of the Italian cities and the countryside into masterpieces of art. He pointed out that the pictures comprised mainly of Rome and Venice, while the

reproductions were those of Leonardo da Vinci and Michelangelo. He pointed out that Bangladesh and Italy have lifestyles in common such as waterways and boats. He added that thousands of Bangladeshi people are now working in Italy. Mahmudul Hague, Director

National Museum, pointed out that the exhibition had been put together within a short span of time but would nevertheless act as a cementing bridge between the two countries. Thus Bangladeshis could cull enormous amount of information of the artistic ways of the Italians over the centuries, he said. Rossanna Massiri, Cultural and

Political Attache, speaking to The Daily Star said that the focus of the exhibit was on the Renaissance

artists who influenced European art for over a century. " There are the reproductions of Leonardo da Vinci, who was a complete genius. His drawings in the form of portraits and details of the human body have even helped the development of medicine: in fact he is the precursor of modern anatomical studies. Landscapes form the backdrop of his Mona Lisa and his compositions such as The Virgin and St Anne. Up till now no one has learnt the secret of the chemistry of his colour compositions." she said. She added that the Raphael and

Titian reproductions were from the Italian Embassy and from Italy. She asserted that the 19th century drawings and paintings brought in the place where Byron and Shelley where buried and were also where one found the typical parks, villas, porticos and piazzas which date back to 300 years. She also pointed out various details of the modern Italian artists, whose works were included in the display and won many admirers. It was indeed a veritable feast of

pulsating Renaissance art. Lovers of art and architecture were browsing in the gallery and drinking deep of the profane and religious works of Michelangelo, Leonardo da Vinci, Raphael and Titian, details of whose lives and works could also be gleaned by printed, elaborate footnotes. The beginnings of Rome and Venice were also carefully explained at length. The exhibit was a clever exercise of informing through breathtaking images of yesterday and today.

**England 1st Test Day** 

Sportscenter India(L)

Gymnastics Fig World

Diving Fina Grand Prix

Diving 2005 Sweden

Formula Bmw Asia

Yachting Raja Muda

International Regatta

Malaysia Highlights(R)

Extreme Programming

Sports Mania (T)

Football Crazy (L)

World Strongman Cup

2005 Kiev Ukraine (T)

2005 Badminton Horse

Trials Lexington Ky/

Badminton England

Highlights(T)

Sportsline(L)

Football Asia(R)

Tna Impact(T)

Rounds One & Two(T)

Asian Festival Of Speed

Cup 2005/06 Gent

Tna Wrestling(R)

**STAR SPORTS** 

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**GEOGRAPHIC** 

Ng Wild

Ultimate Adv

Doc Eureka

Ng Explorer

Planet Wild

Tech Time

Wild Orphans

Marine Machine

Air Crash Investigation

Amazing Animal Videos

Land of the Tiger's

Sacred Waters

Growing up Wild

Serious: Arctic

Dogs With Jobs

**Backvard Science** 

Interpol Investigates

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Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi

Madonna by Leonardo da Vinci

# TV GUIDE

#### 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

11:30 pm

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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)

am.12:10 pm. 2:00 pm. 3:00 pm. 4:00

CHANNEL-i News (Bangla) at 7:15 am. 9:00am, 2:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:00pm, 10:30pm,

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, 11pm. News (English) 8:20am,7:00pm Telecast of BTV News (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm. Latest News (Bangla) at 9:00 a.m,10:00 am, 11:00 am.1:00pm.3:00 pm. 4:00pm.6:00 pm and 8:00 pm.

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

**BBC WORLD** Every hour on the hour

#### **BTV** 07:30 Shubhechha Nin Satellite Programm Shongbad Potrei

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Pata Thekey 12:30 Health Bulletin Loukik Bangla 01:05 02:05 Kheltey Kheltey Computer Bangla Feature Film News Headlines, Share Market Weather Forecast

07:05 Programme on Books Documentary Programme Drama of the Week Amar Bhetorey Ami

10:25 Teknaf Theke Tetulia Magazine Show: 10:30 Saptadinga Satellite

Programme

#### CHANNEL i Shongbad Potrey

Bangladesh and Public Reaction Tritiyo Matra Agora Shopping 12:00 TVC Sky Shop Aaj Dupurey 12:30 01:00

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RC Tone & Tunes

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Music Plus Aamar Chhobi Drama Serial Keboli Raat Hoye

06:00

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08:25 Beast Master Drama Serial Shompurna 10:00 Drama Serial: Pathey Pathey Chaltey Chaltey

#### **ATN BANGLA** Annodrishti

11:05 Ek Dui Tin 11:35 Milepholok Rai 12:15 Bangla Feature Film: Buker Bhitor 02:27 Muktijuddher Ei 03:50 ATN Rannaghar 04:25 Shundar Jiboner 05:10 Purakirtir Bangla

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Islami Sawal O Jawab Mortal Combat Conquest 08:00 Drama Serial: Tana Poren 08:30 Drama Serial: Fk Akash Neel 09:00 Drama Serial Krishnopokkho Shuklopokkho Drama Serial:

Gaan

Recitation

Programme

Beimani

Dhakar Cinema:

Sporsher Bairey

Special Drama:

Drama serial:

Shapla Kuri

Protijogita

Mahilangan

Bangladesh

Din Darpar

Drama Serial:

Shubho Shondhva

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Kachher Manush

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AKM Shahiahan Patoari. The art-

Musical soiree by Nazrul Sangeet

Tuz Zohra, Khalid Hossain, Nashid istes performed melodious songs of Kamal, Kairul Anam Shakil, MA Nazrul ranging from ghazal, patri-Mannan, Ferdous Ara, Shaheen otic and spiritual to love ballads. Samad, Khilkhil Kazi to promising artistes such as Sharmin Shathi Islam, Masuda Nargis Anam and

The programme was inaugurated by the Education Minister, Osman Faruq while veteran singer Ferdousi Rahman, granddaughter



Ferdous Ara rendering a song

# PICK OF THE DAY



**HBO** 

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The Mask

STAR MOVIES

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Pit Fighter

Death Train

Die Another Day

Children Of The

Every Break

Slap Shot 2:

Breaking the Ice

The Witches of

Every Breath

Post Impact

Collateral Damage

Bangladesh Vs England

On ESPN at 3:27 pm npower Test Series 1st Test Match Day1 Live Telecast from Lord's in London

Ally Mcbeal 6:30 The Simpsons 7:00 That 70s Show 7:30 Friends 8:00 Newsradio 8:30 American Idol

> 11:28 11:30 Newsradio 12:00 Cover Story STAR PLUS

1:30 Kumkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan 2:00 Bhabhi 2:30 Kesar 3:00 Saarrthi Tedhe Medhe Sapney 5:00

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Star Asia Trave

Really Caught In The

Maal Hai To Taal Hai

Pet Nation Growing up Wild 4:30 Animal Miracles I-III Indiana Jones 5:30 Pet Powers Telepathy 6:00 Monkey Business 7 The Planet's Funniest

Taboo

ANIMAL

PLANET

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With Geoff Mackley

Battle Of the Sexes

& II Racing Car

Building The Ultimate

Amazing Baby Videos

Legends of the Isles

Merlin The Wizard

7:30Wild Discovery

Zebra-Nomad Of The

the Sexes 1:30 Extreme Machines II Carriers Days That Shook The 3:30 Past is Wild, Future is

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Rivals Stallone V's Schwarzenegger 10:30 Great Cars Massive Engines With 11:00 Chris Barrie Airships **Great Crimes And Trials** of the 20th Century Scarsdale Killing, The

After Midnight

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Cricket Gold(R) 11:30 Winter X Games Classix Stomped & Slammed Mt. Aspen Co Usa 2005 Nba Westerr Conference Finals Game #1(R) Icc Cricket World(R)

Hitz(R)

Bangladesh Tour Of

**England London** 

Cricket Classics Super Doubles(R) Team India Programming India Glorious(T) 10:30 Football Crazy(R) Tna Impact(R) 12;00

**TEN SPORTS** 8:00 9:00

WWE After Burn

Transworld Sports 12:30 Total Rugby

Portugese League: French Tennis: Day 3 (2nd Round Highlights) European PGA Golf H/Ls Nissan Irish Open