

CULTURAL FEAST

Film Screening

Organiser: High Commission of India

Venue: Indian Cultural Centre Auditorium, Road 96, House 25, Gulshan 2

Time: June 06-27, at 6pm everyday

Schedule: June 27 Black

Exhibition

Title: Tapestry Exhibition

Artist: Tajul Islam

Venue: Shilpanagari Gallery, House 25, Road 5, Dhanmondi

Date: June 18-29, from 10am to 1pm and 5pm to 8pm

Title: Metaphor of Agency

Artist: Nazlee Laila

Venue: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts

Date: June 23-July 06, from 12pm to 8pm

Title: Terra Cotta Exhibition

Artist: Tayubuzzaman Tapu, Mazharul Haque Iqbal, Shahidul Hassan

Venue: Zainul Gallery, Institute of Fine Arts

Date: June 24-30, from 10:30am to 8pm

National Rabindra Sangeet Festival

Organiser: Bangladesh Rabindra Sangeet Shilpi Shangstha

Artistes: Prominent and promising Tagore singers

Venue: Bangladesh Shishu Academy

Date: June 23-26

Schedule

June 25: Discussion session on copyright of Biswabarathi followed by musical soiree at 5pm

June 26: Discussion session at 5pm and musical soiree at 6pm

Classical Music

Organiser: Shuddha Sangeet Proshar Goshthi

Artistes: Shama Ahmed, Fayzul Haque, Bijoy, Chowdhury Mostaq Hossain

Venue: Biswa Shahitya Kendra

Date: June 30, at 7pm

Music Festival

Organiser: Alliance Francaise

Date: June 30-July 2, at 5pm

Schedule

June 30

05:00pmPiano recital by Students of Alliance Francaise Music Schools

06:15pmTagore songs by Nilufar Banu Lilly

07:15pmNazrul songs by Chhayanaut

08:15pmClassical songs by Anil Kumar Shaha and Yusuf Khan

Venue: Alliance Francaise

July 01

04:15pmLatin Dance by Neelima and Shahriar

05:00pmMusical soiree by Students of Alliance Francaise Music School

06:00pmGhazal Mezbah

07:00pmModern songs by Uronchandi

09:00pmFrench and Arabian songs by Madjid Ziouane

Venue: Alliance Francaise

July 01

12:00pmMusical soiree by the students of Dhaka University

03:00pmMusic rendition by Duma

04:00pmMusical soiree by Kamol

05:00pmPop music by Rumi

06:00pmFusion music by Meghdal

07:00pmFrench and Arabian songs by Madjid Ziouane

Venue: TSC auditorium, Dhaka Univer-sity

Award Giving Ceremony

Organiser: Padatik

Awardee: Mamun ur Rashid

Venue: Mahila Shamiti auditorium, Baily Road

Date: June 25, at 5pm

16TH NATIONAL RABINDRA SANGEET FESTIVAL

A medley of musical talents

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THE four-day long 16th National Rabindra Sangeet Festival began with enthusiasm at the Shishu Academy auditorium Thursday last. An annual festival organised by the Bangladesh Rabindra Sangeet Shilpi Shangstha (BRSS), this year's festival has been dedicated to the memory of legendary musician, language activist Abdul Latif. About 150 artistes from Dhaka and 10 other districts of the country have been participating in the festival, sponsored by GrameenPhone.

Hosted by BRSS General Secretary Tapan Mahmud, the programme started with the National Anthem. BRSS Chair-man Kalim Sharafi inaugurated the show. One-minute silence was observed in memory of Abdul Latif, Rajia Shahid and Khalid Hassan Milu, who had passed away recently.

Prof Mustafa Nurul Islam, chief guest of the programme, said, "Tagore discovered Bangladesh anew because he stayed here for years and came here on frequent visits. In his literary works, including *Chhinnopatra*, he has portrayed the country, its people and lan-guage with an entirely new vision." He opined that Bangladesh has spoken for



the first time in Rabindranath Tagore's literary works.

Nurul Islam also said, "Tagore's songs have been an eternal inspira-tion for the Bangalees at the moments of crisis they have gone through."

The musical soiree started with a series of Tagore songs in chorus. The songs included *Esho shyamolo shundoro*, *Bajrey tomar bajey banshi* and *Oi mahamanob ashey*. Later, popular singers Saadi Mohammad, Fahim Hossain Chowdhury, Tapan Mahmud, Naima Ali, Lily Islam, Aditi Mohsin and others rendered songs.

Three dance pieces by Munmun Ahmed, Soheli Rahman and artistes of Nriyalok and poetry recitation by Kazi Arif and Progna Laboni fol-lowed.


The four-day festival includes a discussion session today at 6pm on the issue of withdrawal of Biswabarathi's copyright. Tagore exponents and singers will share their views on the issue. The festival will end tomorrow with musical session participated by the artistes of BRSS.

Moon: A teenager's triumph in watercolours

FAYZA HAQ

Moon is a teenager who has just done her Metric. Yet her ongoing solo exhibition at Drik is proof enough of her talent. Her colours, lines and compositions speak of maturity beyond her years. She has 11 prizes to her credit, including one from the Bangladesh National Museum and from the Bangladesh Shishu Academy.

Her *Panam Nagar* is a watercol-our with dark hues depicting old and crumbling houses with branching trees. Passersby are seen going across the narrow street along with carts. The burnt sienna and umber of the houses match the green of the trees. The street below is a wonder-ful combination of yellow and violet-gray.



Riverscape, poster colour

*Gouripur Rajbari* is another remarkably realistic piece which could well have been done by a more experienced artist. The white arches, pillars and domes are done with clarity and conciseness. The white of the stones shine out against the pale sky and the light green and brown ground in front. The spaces in between the pillars appear dark and mysterious, as if each stone has many stories to tell. *The Temple*, in watercolour, brings in a holy place with all its glory of a sculptured roof and arched windows. Other build-ings in the background have also been depicted.

In contrast with the neat shapes of the old structures from the past is the *Badibadh Basti* in watercolour. In this depiction of a slum area, we see people against the backdrop of their crammed housing. *Closeup Badibadh* is another depiction of a makeshift home with tents and poles. Across the river is the silhou-ette of city development. Houses on stilts are seen in *Bank of the Buriganga*, which turns the spotlight on dwellings with tin roofs, sacking

Defining the music by and of the people

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Music that has endured and been passed down by oral tradition and finally generates a sense of commu-nity is what we term as today's folk music or people's song. These pastoral songs encompass narra-tive verse, mysticism, forms of traditional epic poetry or fables and moreover the universal joys and sorrows of the human condition.

However, the development of modern society--first through liter-acy, then the conversion of culture into a saleable commodity--created a new form of transmission of music that first influenced, then essentially eliminated our original folk tradition.

Thankfully, as folk traditions decline, there is often a conscious effort to resuscitate them. The Ban-gladesh Loko Sangeet Parishad, is one such institution that seeks to bring back the golden age of our folk heritage. The organisation's recent treat for music lovers was its 59th regular monthly programme at the Bishwa Shahitya Kendra auditorium on June 23. The function featured the songs of ancient bards of rural Bang-ladesh.

The programme was divided into two parts. The first part was a brief discussion on the branches and characteristics of the ancient folk songs. Eminent folk musician, lyricist and singer Abdul Halim Boyati was the key speaker, while noted folk singer Indra Mohan Rajbangshi presided over the session.

"Like the tree without roots, culture cannot be sustained with-out its roots--the folkloric elements. This is an opportune time to take positive steps against the inroads by the westernised elements in our culture," said Abdul Halim Boyati.

By defining the appeal of folk songs of the country, Indra Mohan Rajbangshi said, "Our folk songs tell the tales of our own heritage. So we, who are involved in this genre of music, should come forward to protect it. We should also seek a collaboration between traditional folk musicians and other participants (often of urban back-ground) who come to the tradition as adults."

The second part of the programme was the musical soiree by the artistes of Bangladesh Loko Sangeet Parishad and other guest artistes. This part featured medley



A participant performs a folksong at the programme

of folk songs of the ancient bards like Lalon Shah, Durbin Shah, Arkum Shah, Bijoy Sarkar, Radharamon and others. Some songs of Alfu Dewan, ishan Fakir, Gada Dhar Sheel, Haren Baul, Dewan Musa, Padmalochan Sadhu, harananda Goshai and some other not so known widely, were rendered by various artistes delighted the audience. Anima Mukti Gomes, Khairul Islam, Shanta Shawjal, Palash Ganguly, Parul Rajbangshi and around twenty artistes of the organisation charmed the audience with the soothing tunes and catchy lyrics of the folk songs. The family members and the disciples of Abdul Halim Boyati, were among the guest artistes at the programme.

Romero's zombies come back to life again!

Has there ever been a better time for quality films about flesh-eating zombies? Just try stacking up the last three Tom Hanks movies against *28 Days Later*, *Shaun of the Dead* and last year's *Dawn of the Dead* remake--and watch Forrest run away with his decapitated head in his hands.

All who follow George A Romero owe their success to the godfather of zombie horror, who has returned from whatever park he's been sleeping in for the past 20 years to release *Land of the Dead*. Starring Simon Baker, John Leguizamo, Dennis Hopper and Asia Argento, it's packed with the same over-the-top gore and social satire that made his earlier films cult classics, and the fright master still teaches his disci-ples some new tricks.

Romero is the Brian Wilson of horror, and those who followed his story realise the mere release of this film is a triumph of human spirit. The director invented the genre with his ultra-low-budget 1968 black-and-white film *Night of the Living Dead* and then perfected it with the origi-nal *Dawn of the Dead* in 1978. But his third movie in the series, *Day of the Dead*, was a bust. After a couple more non-zombie horror films failed between 1988 and 1993, the direc-tor couldn't find a major studio to let him in the door, and his quest to create a fourth *Dead* film suffered setback after setback.



A scene from the new *Dead* movie

Source: Internet

Divorce Day: A serial on an unsuccessful marriage

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Lenin Haidar is directing a new 13-episode drama serial *Divorce Day*. Under the banner of Interactive Media Ltd, the serial features KS Firoz, Nasima Khan, Lucy and Pallab. Mohammad Khaled Khan has penned the script and dialogue for the play. The editing of the serial is in full swing. The serial will be aired soon.

Synopsis of *Divorce Day*: After returning home from overseas, the protagonist, Khaled gets married to the girl chosen by his parents. But on the wedding night, Khaled discovers his newly wed wife cannot be taken at face value. He then realises that his marriage is not made in heaven.



A scene from the serial

TV GUIDE

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

News Bulletin

BTB

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) 11:30 pm.

CHANNEL-i

News (Bangla) at 7:15 am, 9:00am, 2:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:00pm, 10:30pm, 12:15 am.

Telecast of BTB news (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm.

ATN BANGLA

News (Bangla) at 7:00 am, 10:00 am, 11pm.

News (English) 6:20am, 7:00pm

Telecast of BTB 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.

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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 BTB News (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm.

TARA BANGLA

News Headlines(Bangla) at 5:30pm, 7:30pm.

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

BTB

08:15 Quiz Quiz

08:40 Bishwa Protidin

09:00 Satellite Program

12:15 Shangbadpotrer Pata Thekey

12:30 Shasthya Tatthya

01:05 Nibedon

01:30 Selected Programme

02:05 Sesamepur

02:30 Shukhi Poribar

03:30 Live Telecast of the Cricket Match Between Bangladesh and Australia

07:00 News Headlines, Share Market, Weather Forecast

10:25 Teknaf Thekey Tetulia

12:00 Satellite programmes

CHANNEL-i

09:45 Tritiyo Matra

10:45 Na Bola Kotha

11:30 Chitthi Pelam

12:00 TVC Sky Shop

12:30 Aj Dupurey O Citicell Taroka Kothon

01:00 Ebong Cinemar Gaan

01:25 Public Reaction

01:30 Shanbadporey Bangladesh

02:30 Rong Bering

03:50 Banglar Gaan

04:20 DVC Music Café

04:45 Shurer Mela

05:15 Sa Re Ga Ma

05:15 Janopader Khabor

05:30 Sangeetmala

06:00 Music Plus

06:30 Drama Serial: Ebong Ekjon Nari

07:50 Spectra TV Show

08:25 Drama Serial: Nona Joler Kabya

09:35 Hridoye Mati O Manush

10:00 Drama Serial: Pothey Pothey Chotley Chotley

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08:30 Aajker Shakal

09:00 Drama Serial: Kacher Manush

09:30 Horicks Genius Bangladesh

10:30 Bangla Feature Film

02:35 Drama Serial: Kacher Manush

03:15 Pepsi Music Express

03:50 Drama: Prothom Rater Kahini

04:25 Gallery

05:15 Itihasher Ei Diney

05:20 Alokat

06:20 Shubho Shondhya

06:50 Shangskriti Ei Shoptaho

08:15 Drama Serial: Jhut Jhamela

09:00 Bhalobasho Mor Gaan

11:25 Dindarpan

ATN BANGLA

10:30 Annoondishtee

11:30 Char Deyaler Kabya

12:15 Bangladesh Feature Film

03:45 Shurer Madhuri

04:20 Children's Programme

05:45 Islami Sawal O Jawab

06:20 Danish Pothey

08:00 Pothey

08:30 Drama Serial: Jol Porey Pata Norey

08:30 Drama Serial: The New Shabuj Opera

09:00 Drama Serial: Lal Neel Beguni

09:30 Drama Serial: Ek Janomey

10:35 Musical Programme: Rock & Rhythm

12:10 Bangla Feature Film

HBO

9:00 Rush Hour 2

10:45 Honey

12:45 For Love or Money

2:45 13th Child: Legend of the Jersey Devil

4:45 Sudden Death

7:00 Batman & Robin

9:30 Darkness Falls

11:15 Hero Among Heroes

1:15 Deep Shock

STAR MOVIES

09:50 Barbershop

11:40 Rapid Fire

01:15 Shanghai Knights

03:15 When Harry Met Sally

04:55 Ever After: A Cinderella Story

07:00 Drumline

09:00 The Gathering

10:30 Rapid Fire

12:05 Rambo: First Blood Part II

STAR GOLD

08:30 Hum Dono

12:30 Hero No 1

04:30 Diljale

08:30 Maya

09:00 The Legend & The Legend II

STAR PLUS

01:00 Star Bestsellers

02:05 Hit Filmeen Hit Sangeet


02:30 Shradhanjali

06:00 Musafirhoonya

06:30 Disney's Mickey Marsupilami

07:00 Film Toppers

PICK OF THE DAY




Spectra TV Show

On Channel i at 7:50pm

Magazine Programme

Episode-04



Bhalobasho Mor Gaan

On ntv at 9:00pm

Musical Programme

Hosted by Ferdousi Rahman

07:30 Piya Bina

08:00 Pardey Ke Peechey

08:30 Starsuperhit

12:00 Yatra

STAR WORLD

12:30 Adventure Divas

01:00 Travel Asia

01:30 The King Of Queens

02:00 Yes Dear

02:30 Boston Public

03:30 The Kumars At No. 42

04:00 Cops

04:30 Oprah Winfrey Show

05:30 One Tree Hill

06:30 The X Files

07:30 Stupid Behavior Caught On Tape

08:00 Weird Tv

08:30 Tna Xplosion

09:30 Secerts Of Psychics

10:30 Revealed

11:00 Dog The Bounty Hunter

11:00 Cops

11:30 Stark Raving Mad

12:00 Stupid Behavior Caught On Tape

CHANNEL [V]

05:30 Bolly [V]

06:00 [V] Video Patrol

06:30 V Get Gorgeous

07:00 [V] Video Patrol

10:30 [V] Club V

12:30 V Luke's After Hours

AXN

12:30 Mighty Joe Young

03:00 Erin Brockovich

06:00 30 Seconds To Fame

06:30 CSI: New York

07:30 Ripley's Believe It Or

5:30 The Most Extreme Killers

6:30 Animal Miracles I-III

7:30 On The Edge Mad

8:30 Mike and Mark Year

9:00 Lion Feeding

9:30 Penguin-Cool Bird On A Hot Spot

10:00 Night Of The Leopard

10:30 Whale-Giant Of The Ocean

11:30 Land Of The Tiger

11:30 Wild Encounters

11:30 Savage Paradise

DISCOVERY

12:30 Wild Discovery Namib

1:30 The Future Of Air Traffic

2:30 Unsolved History

3:30 Trojan Horse

3:30 Trial Of Saddam

4:30 Top Secrets Of The CIA (Vt)

5:30 Truth Or Scare 2

6:00 Living Pulse

6:30 Junkyard Wars Laundry Launchers

7:30 Rebuilding The Ark-The Golden Lion

9:30 Da Vinci Code: Cracked!

10:00 Great Romances of The 20th Century

10:30 Jackie Kennedy & JFK

11:30 World Cup Skydiving

11:30 Supernatural Science

STAR SPORTS

9:00 Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships Day #5 Highlights(R)

10:00 Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships Third Round(R)

01:00 Cricket Classics Super Doubles (T)

01:30 Icc Cricket World (T)

02:00 Motorcycle

03:00 Programming Film

03:00 World Speedway (R)

03:00 Nba Inside Stuff (R)

03:30 Football Asia (T)

04:00 Gillette World Sports

04:00 Special Gillette World Sports 2005 @

04:30 Asian Festival Of Speed Porsche

05:00 Infenore Carrera Cup Asia Round 3 (T)

05:00 Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships Third Round (L)

12:00 Cricket Classics Super Doubles (R)

ESPN

9:00 School Quiz Show Espn

9:00 School Quiz 2005 (R)

11:30 Cricket Gold (T)

11:30 Tri-Series In England

12:30 The Natwest Series

12:30 England Vs Australia 5th Odi Highlights (R)

3:43 Tri-Series In England

3:43 The Natwest Series

3:43 Australia Vs Bangladesh 6th Odi 1st Session (L)

9:30 Fifa Confederations Cup Pre Show (L)

9:55 Fifa Confederations Cup

9:55 Fifa Confederations Cup 2005 Nuremberg

12:00 Germany Semi-Final 1 (L)

12:00 Fifa Confederations Cup Post Show (L)

TEN SPORTS

10:30 European PGA Golf: Open De France Day 2

01:00 Golf Highlights

02:00 Legends

03:00 Powerboat P1 World Champ:Italy, Anzio

03:30 Athletics World Sport

04:00 WWE Experience

05:00 FIM Speedway Grand Prix : Great Britain