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# **CULTURAL FEAST**

# **Theatre**

Play: Bou Bashanti Group: Udichi Kendrio Natok Bibhag Venue: Mahuila Shamiti Auditorium, Baily Road

Date: October 25, at 7pm

# **Photography Exhibition**

Title: Gunter Grass: Photographs Photographer: Nasir Ali Mamun Venue: Exhibition Gallery, Goethe Institut, Dhanmondi Dhaka. Date: October 14-30

Occasion: 150th birth anniversary of Russian Scientist-Orchard Selectionist Ivan V. Micurin Venue: Russian Cultural Centre Date: October 20-26

Theme: Photo exhibition on Palestinian Intifadha against aggressive Zionism Organiser: Embassy of the Islamic

Venue: Sculptor Novera Hall, National

Date: October 23-27, from 9am to 4:30pm

## **Group Exhibition**

Artistes: Students of Department of Venue: Zainul Gallery, Institute of Fine Arts, Dhaka University

Date: October 22-27, from 10am to 8pm

## **Book Exhibition**

Occasion: 135th birth anniversary of Russian writer Ivan A. Bunin Venue: Russian Cultural Centre Date: October 27-31

## **Art Exhibition**

Title: Les Illustrets Artist: 15 Contemporary artists of

Venue: La Gallery, Alliance Francaise 26. Mirpur Road, Dhanmond Date: October 14-30

# Film Screening

Title: Hybrid Forms, New Trends in the Documentary Film Organiser: Goethe-Institut with cooperation with Zahir Raihan Film Society

Venue: Goethe-Institut, House 10, Road 9. Dhanmondi

### Schedule November 08

Date: November 08-10

4:30pm Buenos Aires, My History 6:00pm Century November 09

4:30pm The Last Documentary

5:45pm Divine Obsession 6:15pm

4:30pm The Housewife's Flower

6:00pm Vacancy Vagabonding Images

# **Classical Music**

Organiser: Goethe-Institut with cooperation with Panchaswai Venue: National Museum Auditorium Date: November 20, at 6pm

# **Enamul Karim Nirjhar**

# The portrait of an artiste



An illuminated Pari-Bibi's mazar at the Lal Bagh Fort

ERSHAD KAMOL

rchitect Enamul Karim Nirjhar has won appreciation as a documentary filmmaker. To his credit he has documentary films such as Manush, Takahan, Kheyal, Koyta and Tini. He has just completed his first full-fledged movie Aha, which is to be released soon.

Screen-playwright as well as the director of the movie, Nirjhar says, "Aha features the duality of urban life. I have portrayed the generation gap, the chasm between tradition and modernity and many  $other\,day\text{-}to\text{-}day\,problems\,of\,the\,city\,dwellers.$ "My experiences and experiments on photogra-

phy, making of animation films and documentary films helped me a lot while making Aha."

Nirjhar and his comrades caught the attention of

the masses during their venture at Lalbagh Fort. In December 2003, Nirjhar initiated the 'light and sound' event at the Lalbagh Fort. The objective was to present the architectural heritage of Bangladesh to the foreign architects who took part in the conference of Archasia Design Group, a forum of Asian

Sharing this experience, Nirjhar says, "Initially the country's architects were uncertain about what we would present as the architectural heritage to the foreign architects. Professor Nizamuddin Ahmed of the Architecture Department of Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET) suggested a 'light and sound' event at the Lalbagh Fort. My previous experience of installation works gave me the confidence. Based on the text written by Professor Nizam, which was recited by theatre personality Aly Zaker, I made a sound track from my

music collection. I am grateful to the light designer Nasirul Haque Khokon who created wonderful light effects, despite so many technical limitations.

"The launching time of the 12-minute long 'light and sound' was an unforgettable moment. I was operating the sound track while Khokon was on light dimmer board. And the result was simply spectacular. We repeated the event on January 2004. The function was an eve opener and it can be executed on a larger scale, "adds Nirjhar.

Despite many assurances from the authority, their 'light and sound' project did not continue. Nirjhar says, "I believe that it could continue only when the locals of Lalbagh vicinity were interested in preserving and showcasing our heritage.'

Nirjhar thinks that the urban life is replete with struggle and sorrow. To counteract the everyday irritants, he believes that it is essential to give a boos to entertainment. As he says, "Only a positive initiative can transform the atmosphere of the city and be an earning source for many. We are presenting a theatrical presentation of Ghost at the restaurant Voot at Dhanmondi. The restaurant is a treat to the urbanites in Dhaka where the sources of recreation is

Nirjhar is the winner of Bangladesh Photography Society (BPS) best photographer of the year award in 1992, and the National Kodak-FIAP Winner Award His photographs have unusual subjects. Common elements of the metros like bricks, wooden windows, a corner of wooden frames with metal grill works metal gates, walls without plasters and also a part of hanging torn and tattered clothes give the feeling of  $expression is m \, through \, his \, lens.$ 

Nirjhar has also participated in solo as well as group painting exhibitions. On his paintings Nirjhar says, "In paintings, photography and installation works I use day to day elements as my subjects. But, I am an expressionist in the presentation.

Nowadays, Nirjhar is a popular set designer of the country. So far he has designed the sets of stage plays such as Swapnobaj, Karigar and Khudhito Pashan. Moreover, he is designing the set of Baghal, the forthcoming production of Desh Natok.

# "I was an all rounder ... in cricket" -- Abul Hayat

It was five minutes to midnight when we finally traced the versatile actor Abul Hayat. His usual workday had just been over. With a remarkable theatre background (a founder member of Nagorik Natyasampradaya), Hayat is a popular name for his diverse roles on the small screen from mid '70s till date. However, Hayat has shifted gears and is now concentrating more on direction and script writing.

Although it was in the wee hours of night, Hayat seemed to be in a chatty mood. Here's an excerpt of Hayat's conversation with The Daily Star:

### Why have you ventured into direction and script writing?

I felt that I might have a shot at script writing. I basically try to take ideas from issues of the day like the eviction of slums, abolition of prostitution, repression of house-help and so on. I think a playwright has a responsibility towards society. Your memorable performances...

The viewers are the best judges. However, I think my

characterisation of Kashem in Ayomoy, Sobhan in Bohubrihi, Dhirandranath in Dakghar and Makhon in Dewan Gazi'r Kissa were unforgettable experiences in

You don't usually play villainous characters, is it difficult to portray negative roles?

Nothing is too difficult or too easy for me. Lately I have been donning negative roles as well. I love to enact diverse roles

Recurring dream?

Usually, I am so tired by the time I come home that I sleep like a log. It is almost a dreamless affair. Any special projects for the viewers this Eid?

I am working on a telefilm, for channel i, for the coming Eid. It's called Nim-rajee, and features Bipasha, Tauair, Richie, Sharmilee and vours truly What changes have there been in Eid celebrations

over the vears? Times have changed. As children we were highly

charged up during the whole month of Ramadan, as this was the only time we bought new clothes and shoes. Now the young ones show little interest as the whole year round they are always into buying something or the other. I remember on Eid day we used to visit our near and dear ones. In comparison, now people socialise less even with their neighbours.

## What's the worst part of being a celebrity?

Most of the time we have to finish shooting within a limited time frame. Although viewers are our greatest asset, sometimes the bystanders don't realise our time constraints. We often have to be rude to them so that we can take the perfect shot before the sun goes down on the

# What are the four things people don't know about

I guess my life is like an open book, my fans know everything about me, except for the fact that I wanted to be a singer and not an actor. Besides that, cricket has been an all time passion. In fact, I was an all rounder. I was the captain, batsman and bowler. In fact, I've even umpired a game of cricket in my student days

Words you keep using constantly... Can't remember any. Maybe I will ask my wife if I

have a catch-phrase. What is your greatest regret?

Joining a government service initially. I feel a lot of

effort and time has been spent fruitlessly. Which two conflicting compliments will you

always cherish? Some say I grayed early, while others say that I have been like this for the last few decades.

Who are your favourite actors? Although there were times when we tried to emulate

Uttam Kumar, I believe Utpal Dutta is one of the great-What is your opinion on mega serials?

Single episode TV plays have a lasting effect on the viewers. On the other hand the mega serials, which are commercially viable, are at times annoying to the viewers. I call it a" play break" and not an "ad break" as the time allotted for commercials exceed that of the



Aupee, Nobel and Monalisa in the tele-film

As part of the Eid special programmes, BTV will air tele-film Brishtir Porey, The story: One stormy night some-

one leaves Aupee at Monalisa's residence. Monalisa's mother, Sharmili Ahmed adopts her as her daughter. From that day Monalisa and Aupee are inseparable and grow up like sisters. A triangular situation develops between Aupee, Monalisa and Nobel (the latter two are top models). While Nobel loves Monalisa, on the other side, Aupee is a blind fan of Nobel; she loves him but is unable to express her feelings. Whenever she tries to express her feelings, there is an unexpected hitch. The eventual fate of the rivals is the focal point of the tele-film.

The performers in Brishtir Porey are Aupee Karim, Nobel, Monalisa and Sharmili Ahmed. Chavonika Chowdhury has directed the tele-film. She is also the scriptwriter. Bappa Majumder has rendered the theme song for the tele-film. Produced under the Add Media banner, this tele-film will be aired on BTV, on the second day of Eid-Ul-Fitr at 8:30pm.

# Brishtir Porey on Eid Mehendi Utshab begins

The Eid festivity is on in full swing in the city. As part of the celebration, Elite Cosmetica has organised a special Mehendi Festival at the Bashundhara City Shopping Complex Sunday last, says a press release. Popular models and artistes attended

the inaugural session of the festival The students of the Institute of Fine Arts are applying exquisite designs in mehendi for free on the visitors palms. The festival will continue till the chand raat, (the day before Eid) from 11am to 8pm everyday.



A model adorns her hands with delicate designs of mehendi at the festival

# through Bhansali's next project Sony Pictures, after raking in the Pascal, vice-chairman, SPE, and

moolah in India with their Spiderman films, have now decided that this is The international film giant has

now announced a momentous tie-up. It will co-produce a full-fledged Hindi film, to be directed by Sanjay Leela Bhansali. Michael Lynton and Amy Pascal of

Sony Pictures Entertainment (SPE) and Uday Singh, General Manager of Sony Pictures, India made the groundbreaking announcement. Lynton, chairman and chief execu-

tive officer, SPE, described the step as "a defining moment for us as a company and for filmmakers, artistes and audiences in India as well." "Sanjay Leela Bhansali's body of

work is in a class of its own," said

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**Ghost Hunters** 

Star Asia Travel

Analyse This Massacre

Popular Mechanics For

Toothwalkers: Giants of

FBI Files Forced Entry

Wild Discovery Top Ten

Discovery Rewind Who

Killed Alexander the

Ultimate Ballooning

Amazon Animals

Risk Takers Police

Kids Navy Seals

Ten Years Younger

Judgement Day

Wild Discovery

the Arctic Ice

Reel Race

Great?

Tru Calling

Seinfeld

Friends

In Madrid

Fat Free

**DISCOVERY** 

chairperson, Motion Picture Group, before going on to wax eloquent about Khamoshi, Hum Dil De Chuke Sanam, Devdas, and Black. "We are indeed proud to associate with one of India's most revered directors," she added. The fact that a major Hollywood

Sony wants a piece of Bollywood

studio is collaborating for a Bollywood production is a significant step, and more such collaborations are likely to follow as the Hindi movie industry increasingly finds Western acceptability. The film will be called Saawariya.

While no details of the cast and story have yet been declared, one assumes this is likely to be the director's already announced next project, starring Rishi Kapoor's son, Ranbir, and Anil Kapoor's daughter, Sonam.

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Sanjay Leela Bhansali

Source: Internet

# 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

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 Headlines (Bangla) at 8:55

2:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:00pm, 10:30pm, 12:15 am. Telecast of BTV news (Bangla and

News (Bangla) at 7:15 am. 9:00am,

### 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.

#### Telecast of BTV News (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm. **TARA BANGLA**

Every hour on the hour

pm.7:30 pm.10:30 pm.

12:00 am. 6:15 pm. 9:30 pm.

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** 

#### BTV Musical Programme 09:05 09:25 Shashwato Jibon 10:00 Satellite broadcast Shastho Tathya 01:00 Cartoon 02:15 Computer Round 02:40 Selected Programme 04:00 Sangeeta Ramadanul Muharak 04:30 04:50 Mahe Ramadan Talk Show

06:10 Shaodha Maloti Chittagong Center Programme 06:55 News Headlines. Share Market, Weather Forecast 07:00 Quiz Quiz Gaan Shudhu Gaan Talk show: Protidin Bangladesh Drama Serial: Kacher Manush

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Drama Serial: Pathor

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Shukhnagar

Apartment

Apnar Jigyasha

Jibon Gorar Ashor

#### Shera Radhuniri 1412 Drama Serial: Ek Drama Serial: Chalchhe Chalbey

Tumi Shudhu Amai Aajker Shokal Drama Serial: Bela Bhumi Khoborer Shondhaney Museum Around the World Shajghar Cinegaan Tiffiner Fakey Single Episode Drama Drama Serial: Akash

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**HBO** 

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Shukhnagar Apartment On ATN Bangla at 8:00 pm Genre: Drama Serial Cast: Fazlur Rahman Babu, Subarna Mustafa, Sweety

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ATN Taroka (acting)

Musical Programme

All About the

Tommy Boy

Air America

Danger

SWAT

**STAR MOVIES** 

Desperado

Clear and Present

Batman & Robin

Blockbuster: Var

Heart Of The Storm

HBO Diwali

Webs

Van Helsing On HBO at 9:30 pm Genre: Action/Adventure

Cast: Hugh Jackman, Kate Beckinsale, Richard Roxburgh Urban Legend 09:00 **STAR PLUS** 02:00 Bhabhi 02:30 Kesar Saarrthi 03:30 Bahu Thi 04:00

12:00 Ark STAR GOLD 10:40 Bekhudi 02:00

Safar

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Dragon: The Bruce Lee Story Nature Unleashed Earthquake Far From Heaven Good Boy! Ever After: A Cinderella Story

Best Thief In The 10:30 World Madhouse Yeh Zindagi Ka

Ghar Ho To Aisa Kahiin To Hoga

Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi K.Street Pali Hill

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Mum Tum Aur Hum

Kasautii Zindagii Kay 09:30 Miilee 10:00 Kavyanjali Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii 10:30 11:00 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi 11:30 Kahiin To Hoga 12:00 K.Street Pali Hill

**STAR WORLD** 01:30 The A Team 02:30 Oprah Winfrey Show Bold And Beautiful 03:30 04:30 Hollywood Squares 05:00 Whose Line Is It 05:30 Buffy The Vampire 06:30

07:00

The Simpsons

Friends

The King Of Queens

Extreme Machines 10:30 11:30 New Detectives Broken

> ANIMAL PLANET Animal Icons Jaws 12:30 Fun Zone The Planet's 01:30

**Funniest Animals** One Planet The Violent One Planet Return of 03:30 the Pandas Most Extreme Swarms Fun Zone The Planet's **Funniest Animals** 

Austin Stevens: Most Dangerous Rattlers of the Wild West Miami Animal Police Three Not so Little Pigs Predator's Prey

Strength in Numbers

Young and Wild First

Jeff Corwin Experience Call of the Cajun Wild Lvndal's Lifeline Flight to Freedom

National Geographic

Fun Zone The Planet's

Bond

## NATIONAL **GEOGRAPHIC** Seconds From Disaster

Interpol Investigates 03:30 Animal Nightmares 04:00 Extinct 04:45 Doc Eureka 05:00 Serious: Arctic 05:30 Croc Chronicles Snake Wranglers 06:30 Ng Explorer 07:30 Wildlife Detectives

National Geographic's 09:30 Taboo 10:30 Seconds From Disaster 11:30 Deep Jungle **ESPN** 

Extinct

The Soul Of Spain

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Black Star Rising (R) Champions Tour Golf Sbc Championship San Antonio Tx Usa First Round (T) Champions League Extra Group Phase 1 Matchweek 3 (T) 04:00 **English Premier League** Highlights (R) 05:00 Football Focus (L) 06:00 **English Premier** Football League 08:00 Icc Cricket World (R)

Sportscenter India (L)

Cricket Classics Indian

I'd Do Anything (R)

Sportscenter Asia (S)

Legen (R)

#### Sportscenter India (R) Football Focus (R) 12:00 **STAR SPORTS**

Champions League Extra Cricket Classics Great Indian 12:00 Partnerships Team India Programming India Glorious English Premier Football League Arsenal Vs

Manchester City (T) Extreme Programming Wild Spirits) Tna Wrestling Programming 05:30 The Rugby Show (T) 06:00 Heineken Cup Rugby Ospreys Vs Stade Français

Round 1(T) The Golf Club The Ubs Golf 08:00 Tna Wrestling 09:00 Sportscenter India (L)

09:02 Superskills Samsung (T) 09:30 Soccer Fifa Fever (T) 10:00 Born To Play: Masters Of Football (R) Sportscenter India (L)

Tna Wrestling Programming Classic's Big Fights Boxing Nfl's Greatest Moments

#### **TEN SPORTS WWE Raw** World Cup Classics(1999 -

Super6 match Ind v Pak) Legends: Loius v Schmelling 02:00 Carribean Classics 03:00 Italian Highlights 03:30 ATP Tennis Gamer TV

#### 04:30 Trans World Sports 05:00

05:30 Gillette World Sport 07:30 WWE Smackdown 10:00 Hongkong 6s (Semi Finals & 11:00 German League Highlights : Ep 10