

CULTURAL FEAST

Musical Soiree

Title: Solo recital
 Artists: Anisur Rahman
 Venue: National Theatre Stage, Shilpakala Academy
 Date: November 13, at 6pm

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
 Date: November 08-10

Schedule
 November 08
 4:30pm Buenos Aires, My History
 6:00pm Hans Warns. My 20th Century

November 09
 4:30pm The Last Documentary Film
 5:45pm Divine Obsession
 6:15pm Master Game

November 10
 4:30pm The Housewife's Flower
 6:00pm Vacancy
 6:20pm Vagabonding Images

Title: Films by Andrei Tarkovsky
 Organiser: Russian Cultural Centre in cooperation with Federation of Film Societies of Bangladesh
 Venue: Russian Centre of Science and Culture, House 510, Road 7, Dhanmondi
 Date: November 13-15

Korean Cultural Festival
 Programme: 2005 Korean Taekwondo Tournament
 Venue: Mirpur Sports Stadium
 Date: November 18

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

Photography Exhibition
 Occasion: 100th anniversary of the capital of the Republic of Tatarstan the city of Kazan
 Venue: Library, Russian Cultural Centre House 510, Road 7, Dhanmondi
 Date: November 17

Exhibition
 Title: Art Expo-2005: 60 Small Formats
 Artist: AHM Matub Ali
 Venue: Zainul Gallery, Institute of Fine Arts, DU
 Date: November 18-24

Book Exhibition
 Occasion: 90th birth anniversary of Russian writer Konstantin M Simonov
 Venue: Library, Russian Cultural Centre House 510, Road 7, Dhanmondi
 Date: November 15-30

Occasion: 70th birth anniversary of Russian poet and writer Larisa N Vasileva
 Venue: Library, Russian Cultural Centre House 510, Road 7, Dhanmondi
 Date: November 06-14

Erratum
 On the Culture page, published yesterday (November 07, 2005), the director's name of the film *Anya Jibon* has been mistakenly published as Chashi Nazrul Islam. It should have read Sheikh Niamat Ali. We deeply regret the error.

Shabnam

Memorable moments in the life of an actress



SHABNAM'S passion for acting started in her early teens. At that time she was taking dance lessons at the Bulbul Academy of Fine Arts and that was the only exposure she had to the world of performing arts. "When I joined films, it was indeed a turning point in my life, since very few ladies in the subcontinent were exposed to the silver screen then," she says.

"When director Ehtesham christened me Shabnam, meaning dew drops (Shabnam's original name is Jhama Boshak) and offered me the second lead in his first Urdu film *Chanda*, it was no doubt a memorable moment. Released in 1962, the film was a big hit at the box office. This was my first Urdu film as well," says Shabnam. Shabnam's immense acting potential fetched her powerful lead roles in films by ace directors of the time

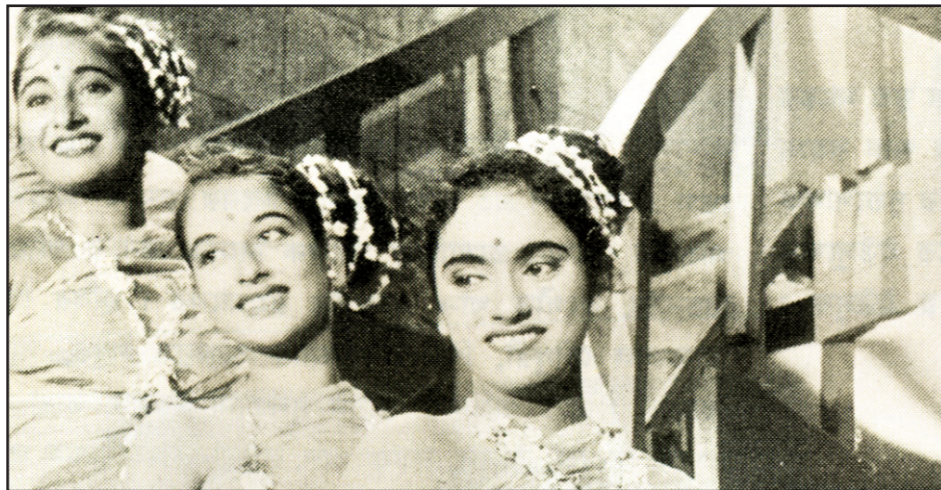
from then onwards. "It was on the sets of *Rajdhanir Bukey*, Ehtesham's debut film that Robin (Ghosh) and I met for the first time. Ehtesham provided Robin with a break through his Urdu film *Chanda*, the lead roles of which were played by Rehman and myself." From then on began Robin Ghosh's illustrious career as a music composer. "Soon *Chanda* became a talk of the town and earned a super hit status. Bangalee folk tunes modified just enough to tantalize the ears, conquered hearts of film enthusiasts. Meanwhile the intimacy between Robin and I developed fast and eventually we decided to get married in 1965. Thus began a new chapter in my life," -Shabnam.

"While I played the lead role in *Aakhri Station* in 1965, I enacted the role of a girl who's psychologically imbalanced. I had only one line in the whole film. The scene was like this: I meet the lead male character in the

film, played by Akbar and I tell him, '*Babu ektho biri dey na*.' Before I signed the film, my associates and well-wishers repeatedly asked me to think twice before accepting the offer. I was at the peak of my career at that point. According to them, such a role could ruin my career. But till this date, I believe, it was one of the most powerful roles that I have portrayed and it satisfied me as an artiste. And I consider that a turning point in my career. Contrary to what my friends believed, that role got me rave reviews and also my second prestigious Nigar award the same year," gleams Shabnam.

The day our only son Ronny was born definitely changed my life altogether. Nothing can be compared to the joy it brought to our lives from that day onwards.

By Sadya Afreen Mallick



Shabnam (C) seen with Sumita Devi (L) and co-artist in *Tanha*

TV campaign against gender violence

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

To generate awareness among the masses and to minimise violence against women, United Network Limited (UNL) has produced a TV serial of twenty-six episodes, titled *Ontoralar Kotha* which is already on air.

Today's episode is about a college student, Kona (pseudonym). Kona used to be harassed and teased often by Monir and his friends on her way to college.

With time the harassment became more frequent and one day, she was attacked and dragged away by Monir to a local clubhouse, where Monir proposed to marry her. Kona

declined and after much scuffling, police rescued her from the clubhouse and arrested Monir. However, he is released after a few days on bail.

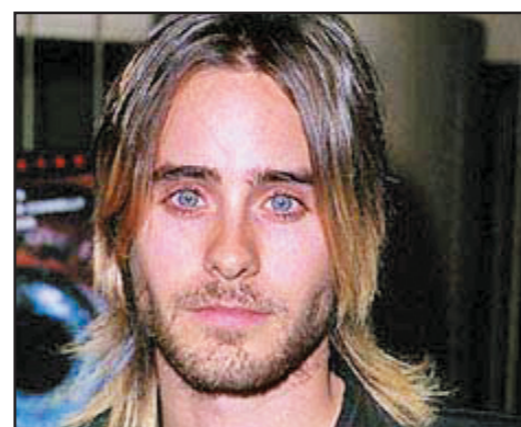
Meanwhile, due to the social stigma associated with the incident, Kona's parents yield to Monir's proposal and Kona gets married to him. Eventually Monir, his mother and sister start torturing Kona for dowry. When it got worse, Kona had no other way but to ask her father for money, to appease Monir and his family. One day Kona refuses to ask her father for money and is strangled by her husband.

Directed by Salah Uddin Sanowar, the episode called *Case Study: Kona*, will be aired on Channel i at 6:20pm this evening.



A scene from *Case Study: Kona*

Film to explore the mind of Lennon's killer



Jared Leto

REUTERS, Los Angeles

Twenty-five years after the murder of former Beatle John Lennon, a Canadian-based film company is set to explore the mind of his killer in a movie starring Lindsay Lohan and Jared Leto, backers of the project said last Thursday.

Leto, who played a heroin addict in *Requiem for a Dream* and a cocaine-snorting arms dealer in *Lord of War*, has signed on to portray Lennon's killer, Mark David Chapman, in the upcoming independent film *Chapter 27*.

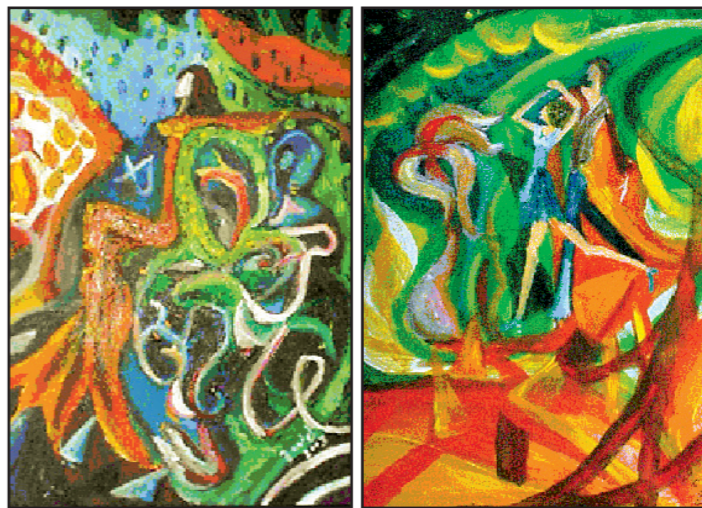
Lohan, the teenage *Mean Girls* star last seen in *Herbie: Fully Loaded*, will play a fictional Lennon fan who befriends Chapman during the weekend he kills the musician outside his Manhattan apartment building.

The parts of Lennon and wife Yoko Ono have not been cast yet.

Peace Arch Entertainment President John Flock, whose Toronto-based company is financing the picture, said the

Upcoming talent

Fariel's World



Fariel Shafee, a Bangladeshi residing in the USA working on her Ph D thesis in Physics, has recently been selected to participate in the Florence Art Biennale. In 2001, the UN recognised the "Florence Biennale" as an official partner in the programme "Dialogue among Nations."

According to family sources, Fariel has been painting ever since she was in Holy Cross School and learned the basics of water colour from Masuma Khan's Art School at Alliance Francais. Hamidur Rahman, architect of the Shaheed Minar, is a granduncle and Kalam Mahmood, a very popular cover artist and illustrator of books of yesteryears, is an uncle, though she never had any lessons from either.

After completing both her SSC and HSC as well as O- and A-level studies

with top grades in Bangladesh, Fariel left for the USA in 1994 to work on her Bachelors degree, majoring both in Physics and in Mathematics from MIT. But she also kept painting in her precious little spare time. Later, while a graduate student at Princeton, she started displaying her artwork at a professional level. In 2002, she was invited to display her childhood work at Papaink, the international children's art archive to encourage children to paint. Her shows include one in Greece in a gallery run by well-known art personality, and also two prestigious juried shows in Spain. She has also exhibited her work in numerous shows in Soho, one of the most artsy districts in the USA. Her artwork has also been published in a number of magazines in the USA. She is featured as an elite artist on abs gallery,

one of the most prominent online international galleries, curated by an Emmy award nominee visual artist. She has also displayed her digital art in New York, and has been accepted as a distinguished computer artist by the Museum of Computer Art.

Fariel's paintings display a wide range of bright colours, reflecting the contrasts in human expectations and desires. Many vivid colours coexist on the same canvas to make the pieces in the painting complementary to each other. Most of her images are derived forms of human figures or abstractions of dream sequences.

Fariel is also involved in a project of popularising Bangladeshi textile and has displayed fashion designs at the official San Francisco fashion week. She has spoken about her art and fashion designs in cable TV shows in Cambridge and Boston.



Fariel Shafee

Phil Collins open to Genesis reunion

REUTERS, Tel Aviv

British singer and songwriter Phil Collins said last Sunday that he would be open to a reunion of his old band Genesis, before his performance in Israel, as part of his what he calls his final tour.

"I'm open for it," said Collins, 54, the most prominent international music star to perform in Israel since the start of a Palestinian uprising more than five years ago.

"I'm happy to sit behind the drums and let Peter (Gabriel) be the singer. If (a reunion) happens, I'll be there. If it doesn't happen ... it would just be because there are too many things in the way," Collins told reporters in Tel Aviv.

The progressive rock group Genesis was formed in 1967 and was internationally successful for over 30 years. Collins, the band's first drummer, took over as singer after Gabriel quit the group in 1975 to become a solo artiste.

Collins left the band in 1996 to concentrate on his own solo career having already scored solo hits in the 1980s with *Against All Odds* and *In the Air Tonight*.

After a shuffle of band members, including an Israeli drummer, Genesis finally called it quits in 1998.



TV GUIDE

PICK OF THE DAY



Prarthi Abibahito
 On ntvat 8:15 pm
 Genre: Drama
 Cast: Tauquir Ahmed, Richi Solaiman



Nimraji
 On Channel-i at 2:30 pm
 Genre: Tele-film
 Cast: Abul Hayat, Sharmili Ahmed

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) 11:30 pm.

CHANNEL-i
 News (Bangla) at 7:15 am, 9:00 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:15 am.
 Telecast of BTV news (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm.

ATN BANGLA
 News (Bangla) at 7:00 am, 10:00 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm, 11 pm.
 News (English) 8:20 am, 7:00 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, 1:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm.

ntv
 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

ATN BANGLA

10:30 *Khobordari*
 11:15 Bangla feature film: *Nayan Bhora Jol*
 Tele-film: *Stree O Premika*

05:10 Musical Programme: *Antore Rekhechhi Eid.com*
 05:45 ATN Music
 06:20 Drama: *Je Kotha Hoyi Bola*
 07:50 Drama: *Koto Din Pare Ele*

10:30 *Eid Anondo Gaane*

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 08:55 *Eider Latim*
 10:05 Music Box
 11:00 Magazine programme: *Shadakalo Mukhtagan*

01:05 Japanese Cultural Show
 01:25 *Japanese Cultural Show*

02:30 Tele-film: *Ghoshwara Swapno*
 05:20 *Cholochitra Kotha*
 06:50 *Unish Kurir Eid Anondo*

08:15 Drama: *Prarthi Abibahito*
 09:40 Musical Programme: *Aamar E Duti Chokh*

11:25 *Dindarpan*
 12:10 *Anondo Anondo*

CHANNEL i
 08:20 *Sa Re Ga Ma*
 09:45 *Tritiya Matra*
 10:45 *Eid Special Programme*

12:00 Drama: *Tiner Tolyar*
 02:30 Tele-film: *Nimraji*
 06:00 Music Plus
 06:30 *Moner Moto Gaan*
 07:50 Drama: *Shada Borofor Chand*

09:35 Drama: *Jaar Jaar*

Bhumika

10:15 The Sweetest Thing
 12:00 The Late Shift
 02:00 The Portrait of a Lady
 05:00 Possession
 07:00 Beyond Borders
 09:30 The Time Machine
 11:30 Snakehead Terror
 01:30 Empire
 03:30 HBO Sneak Peek : Charles Angels Full Throttle

STAR MOVIES

09:15 Stepmom
 11:40 *Dracula Ili-Legacy*
 01:25 Under Suspicion
 03:40 Underworld
 04:00 *Belly Of The Beast*
 07:55 Great Expectations
 10:05 Casino
 01:00 Beretf

STAR PLUS

09:30 Kumkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan
 10:30 Meri Saheli
 11:00 Piya Bina
 11:30 Shanti
 12:00 Zindagi Milke Bitayenge
 01:00 Kasauti Zindagi Kay
 02:00 Bhathi
 02:30 Kesar
 03:30 Saarthi
 04:00 Kahin To Hoga
 04:30 K.Street Pali Hill
 05:00 Piya Bina
 06:00 Zindagi Milke Bitayenge
 06:30 Talespin
 07:00 Kim Possible
 08:00 Akkad Bakkad
 08:30 Bambyo Tu
 08:30 Mum Tum Aur Hum
 09:00 Kasauti Zindagi Kay
 09:30 Milee

STAR WORLD

10:30 Married To The Kellys
 11:00 King Of Queens
 11:30 The Office
 12:00 Coupling
 12:30 Everybody Loves Raymond
 01:00 Becker
 01:30 The A Team
 02:30 Oprah Winfrey Show
 03:30 Bold And Beautiful
 04:30 Hollywood Squares
 05:30 Buffy The Vampire Slayer
 06:30 The Simpsons

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

10:30 Air Crash Investigation
 11:30 Seconds From Disaster
 01:30 Different Ball Game
 02:30 Air Crash Investigation
 04:30 Backyard Science
 04:45 Doc Eureka

DISCOVERY

10:30 Wild Discovery
 11:30 Amazing Baby Videos
 12:00 Force of Nature

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