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CULTURAL FEAST

Exhibition

Title: Alluvial Pain And Salivation Artist: Kalidas Karmakar Venue: Alliance Franciase, Date: November 17-30, from 9am to 12pm, 5pm to 9pm

Title: Fragile Artist: Juneer Kibria Venue: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, Dhanmondi Date: November 10-16, from 12pm to

Title: Embroidery and lace exhibition of Italian designs and traditions Organiser: Italian Embassy Venue: House NW7, Road 54, Date: November 16-18, from 10am to

Group Exhibition

Title: International Group Exhibition Artist: Artists from Bangladesh, Japan Venue: Art & Soul Gallery, Gulshan

Theatre

Play: Behular Bhashan Organiser: Theatre and Music Department, University of Dhaka Venue: Natmondal, University of Date: November 15-17, at 7 pm

Play: Khudhito Pashan Troupe: Shubochan Natya Sangsad Venue: Mahila Samity Stage Date: November 15, at 7 pm

Film Screening

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 Title: Children Film Special Organiser: Indian Cultural Centre Venue: Auditorium, House # 25, Road No #96, Gulshan-2

Schedule November 15: Masoom November 16: Makdee November 17: Goopy Gyne Bagha

November 18: Goopy Bagha Phire Elo All of the movies will be screened at

Korean Cultural Festival

Programme: 2005 Korean Taekwondo 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 Centre House 510, Road 7, Dhanmondi Date: November 17

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

Tinni

The quintessential girl-next-door

KARIM WAHEED

Srabonti Dutta AKA Tinni is a known face to the TV audience, thanks to her role as the protagonist Dipa in Mostafa Sarwar Farooki's mega-serial 69. The outspoken, short-tempered and passionate Dipa doesn't hesitate to slap a few men around when she feels it's necessary. As an actor, her spontaneity, facial expressions and non-method acting have already fetched her a fan following among the young generation. In fact, she is so convincing in her role in 69, that she is also known as the "lady-cadre from 69". She's the quintessential girlnext-door, with a flair of course.

Although, Tinni is concentrating more on her acting now, she embarked on her career as a ramp model. Says Tinni, "I participated in the 'Lux Anondodhara Photogenic 2002' pageant and I was fifth runner up. I also won the title, 'Sunsilk Miss Beautiful Hair', in that pageant. After that I began getting offers to model, I was always interested in modelling and hence I started ramp-modelling."

Subsequently, she also did some TV commercials (TVC). Among them the TVCs for Sunsilk and Aktel have become popular. She is also the model for designer stores Banglar Mela and Ecstasy.

Was stepping into the world of acting just a fluke or did she always want to be an actor? According to Tinni, "The acting bug was always there; I've always been keen on acting



on a subliminal level. When I was a student of RK Mission School in Kolkata, I played the role of Ashalata. However, it's Emdad Bhai (Emdad Haque, director of Banglar Mela), my mentor, who convinced me to take acting seriously. It was May, 2004: apparently, Farooki was looking for new actors for his upcoming TV serial, 69. Emdad *Bhai* asked me to contact

Farooki and I did. However, at that point. I wasn't at all sure that I would be cast in 69. I was literally shocked when the cast was announced and I learnt that I was to play Dipa in the

Does she relate to the character? Tinni says, "Somewhat. Dipa is tomboyish, cultural, and very passionate. That pretty much sums up

my personality. However, Dipa can be physically aggressive and she's also an extrovert. I don't have those attributes in my personality."

What would her dream role be? A chortling Tinni says, "At the risk of sounding 'shallow', I just love 'perioddrama'; basically any play or movie that has fancy costumes involved. My dream role would be any of the aristocratic housewives from Tagore's plays. The costumes and ornament used by the characters are exquisite."

A less known facet of Tinni is her training in classical dance and singing. Tinni says, "I trained in Kathal and also took music lessons. How ever. I realised, I could not concentrate of dancing, singing, modelling and acting simultaneously. So, I'm focusing on my acting and modelling now. Who knows, maybe some day I'll decide to resume singing and danc-

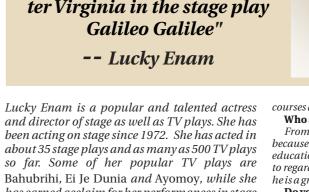
Among Tinni's upcoming projects is Farooki's feature film Mad e in Bangladesh. About her role in the movie, Tinni says, "The character is of a small-town girl who always keeps to herself. She can never express how she really feels about something or someone. I'm sure a lot of girls would relate to the character."

"I have also been working in some TV serials that'll be aired soon. Among these are: Labannyo Probha and Romizer Aaina for ntv and Shunnye Boshobash for Channel i," concludes



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-- Lucky Enam



about 35 stage plays and as many as 500 TV plays so far. Some of her popular TV plays are Bahubrihi, Ei Je Dunia and Ayomoy, while she has earned acclaim for her performances in stage plays such as Ami Birongona Bolchhi, Sharoma, Dewan Gazir Kissa, Galileo Galilee and others. Some excerpts from a recent conversation with the actress:

What is your best performance?

I guess the audience would be hetter nositioned to answer this question. My best performance was in the role of Galileo's daughter Virginia in the stage play Galileo Galilee. Another high point was the TV play Biswarjan, a popular play by Rabindranath Tagore. In the play I performed the central role of Aparna.

What is your dream role?

I am content with my performance in stage plays because I have played diverse roles. As for a dream role: like many other people I too nurture a dream, even if I can't pinpoint the exact character.

Any dream come true?

Idon't work to fulfill dreams. I work to achieve a goal and make a contribution to society. My work is my life. If I can fulfill even a modest objective, it is like turning a dream into reality. As a theatre activist, my dream was to establish a theatre school for youngsters. This was finally fulfilled when our theatre group established a theatre school named Nagorik Natyangan Institute of Drama (NNID). We have introduced two six-month

Who are your idols?

From my childhood I have idealised my parents because they have raised me with high values and education in a cultural environment. Later on I began to regard my husband Enamul Haq as my idol because he is a great source of inspiration to me.

Do you have any icon? I don't have any icon that I follow blindly. I believe in

developing a distinctive style and talent. I have done that step by step. However, I love to watch different talented artistes' performances. For instance, I admire Gulam Mustafa and Utpal Dutta.

What do you think should be the focal point of drama?

From the acting point of view it should be characterisation. I must identify with the role I am playing. Some actors don't submerge themselves in their characters. However, this is not the right way. One must put his or her heart into a role. Otherwise, the actor will not

What is your greatest achievement?

The position I hold today is my greatest achievement. People appreciate me and my performance. Though the path is strewn with pitfalls such as grief, shame, failure and dejection, one must have a clear goal. Ithink this should be one's motto

What is the first thing you look for in an actor? The first thing I look for in an actor is whether he is

confident or not. Confidence is the basic quality of an actor. Good qualities can be developed; one can acquire knowledge but if he or she doesn't have confidence, success would be a distant dream.

Baghal: Desh Natok's new production



Actors rehearsing for Baghal

ERSHAD KAMOL

Baghal. Masum Reza's script allegori-

says, "The story develops through the body movements of the form." tragic ending of a young man, who is Enamul Karim Nirjhar, the stage regime in 1971 as well as the condition forms." of contemporary politics."

Bakul has incorporated some designer of the play. available in the country. That is why I Experimental Theatre Stage.

had to work hard. I invited a few artistes from Mymensingh region who Artistes of the popular theatre troupe still stage a modified version of the Desh Natok are putting the finishing indigenous performing art form. touches on their latest production However, the problem is that the present form, which they stage, is full cally represents the cruelty of human of vulgarity. That is why I have used a polished version of the ghetu pala in Commenting on the play Shamsul the play, while maintaining the Alam Bakul, the director of the play authenticity of the tune as well as the

the keeper of a tiger. However, the designer of the play, said, "My set for play also has a powerful message, the play is totally suggestive. I have which symbolically represents the created different environments on the massacre by the Pakistani military stage by blending folk and traditional

Nasirul Haque Khokon is the light

indigenous performing art forms such Desh Natok will stage the premiere as ghetu pala and others. Bakul says, show of their latest production Baghal "The original ghetu pala form is not in the first week of December at the

Indian Idol II is here

Popular reality show Indian Idol is making a comeback with Indian Idol II. March 2005 saw Mumbai boy Abhijeet Sawant become a household name in India when he was crowned the first ever Indian Idol on Sony Entertainment Television Auditions for Indian Idol II are

going on in Mumbai, Delhi, Lucknow and Kolkata. Anu Malik, Farah Khan and Sonu Nigam, the judges of the first Indian Idol will once again choose 150 Idol aspirants from the thousands registered. They will further whittle them

down to 28 contestants. Finally the public will cast their votes for the 12 finalists and follow their journey to choose the second Indian Idol. Aman Yatan Varma, popular TV

host and actor along with Mini Mathur will host the hugely popular

In addition to a recording contract with Sony BMG, the Indian Idol will be awarded a contract with Sony worth Rs 100 million.

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Seconds From Disaster

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One Giant Leap

Backyard Science

Top Cat

Doc Eureka

Serious: Arctic

Croc Chronicles

Adventures

Na Explorer

Taboo

ANIMAL PLANET

Crittercam-Wildtech

Wild Dogs: Biting Back

Mysteries Of Mankind

National Geographic's

Interpol Investigates

Animal Icons King Kong

Fun Zone Planet's

One Planet Eye of the

Most Extreme Stinkers

Austin Stevens: Most

Miami Animal Police

Dangerous Valley of the

Predator's Prey Armour

Fun Zone Planet's

Funniest Animals

Funniest Animals

Insects From Hell

Animal Planet

Showcase



Last year's Indian Idol Abhijit Sawant, inset: the judges of the show

Indian Idol took viewer engagement and interactivity to new heights and catapulted its finalists to ultimate stardom. Through Indian Idol II, the channel will again give its viewers the platform to realise their dreams and put fame and fortune

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within their reach while offering distinctive, breakthrough entertain-

The show will be aired from November 21, 2005.

Source: Internet

10:00

TV GUIDE

All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible

News Bulletin

for any change in the programme

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 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.

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Telecast of BTV News

English) at 11:30 pm. **TARA BANGLA**

Every hour on the hour

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**

CHANNEL-i

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Shera Radhuniri 1412 07:50 Drama Serial: Ek Akasher Tara 09:35 Drama Serial: Chalchhe Chalbey 10:00 Tumi Shudhu Amar ntv Aajker Shokal 09:30 Crime Watch 10:05 Vinna Swader Khabor 10:30 Shajghar 11:00 Cin gaan 11:30 Ganbhira

Single Episode Drama Drama Serial: Bela

12:02 03:50 Akash Chhonya 04:25 Gallery 05:20 Apnar Jiggasha 06:20 Shubho Shondhya 06:50 Frankly Speaking 08:25 Drama Serial: Bela 09:20 Dance Programme:

10:00 Drama Serial Ranachhut 11:25 Dindarpan

BANGLA

Talk Show: Annodrishti Drama Serial 11:35 **Bussiness This Week** 12:15 Amar Computer 12:45 Cholo Gaan Gai 02:30 Drama Serial: Ghunpoka Drama Serial: O Amai Chokkhu Nai Quiz Show 04:20 Islami Sawal Jawab Selected programme 04:50 06:20 Aynar Shamney 08:00 Drama Serial: Shukhnagar Apartment

HBO 9:00 Air America 11:15 Along Came Polly 01:00 Enough Sahara 5:30 Kermit's Swamp Years 07:15 Congo 09:30 Mission Impossible 11:45 Showtime 01:45 Ned Kelly

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STAR MOVIES 09:15

04:00 Congo Different Loyalty 11:15 Nutty Professor 01:05 There's Something About Mary 03:25 Backdraft 06:00 Kuffs 08:00 Get Over It 09:50 Snake Eyes

Rangchhut Vim Chotpot Ranna On ntv at 10 pm ATN Taroka (acting) Genre: Drama Serial Musical Programme Cast: Subarna, Pijush, Srabonti

2:30

11:35 Ring Of Darkness **STAR PLUS** Kumkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan 10:00 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet- 20 M Meri Saheli 10:30 11:00

Piya Bina 11:30 Shanti 12:00 Zindagi Milke Bitayenge 12:30 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet- 20 M 1:00 Kasautii Zindagii Kay 1:30 Kumkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan 2:00 **Bhabhi**

Kesar

PICK OF THE DAY

Mission Impossible On HBO at 9:30 pm Genre: Action/Adventure Cast: Tom Cruise, Jon Voight, Emmanuelle Beart

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Kim Possible 7:30 Kumkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan 8:00 Akkad Bakkad Bambey Bo Mum Tum Aur Hum 9:00 Kasautii Zindagii Kay 9:30 Miilee

10:00 Kavyanjali 10:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii 11:00 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi 11:30 Kahiin To Hoga K.Street Pali Hill Star Plus India **STAR WORLD**

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Star Asia Travel

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07:30 Friends 08:00 Seinfeld 08:30 Fd 09:30 10:30 Tru Calling 11:28 11:30 Seinfeld 12:00 Friends

Oprah Winfrey Show Bold And Beautiful Hollywood Squares Whose Line Is It

Ghost Hunters Star Asia Trave

Buffy The Vampire

The King Of Queens

09:00 Young and Wild Family 09:30 Fun Zone Planet's **Funniest Animals** Jeff Corwin Experience in the Heart of Darkness

Snakes

11:30 Lyndal's Lifeline Koala **DISCOVERY** Wild Discovery

Amazing Baby Videos

Popular Mechanics For 03:00 Fat Free Food for Thought 03:30 Ten Years Younger Face

Force of Nature

Analyse This The

Mystery of the

Battleground The Art of

Wild Discovery 05:30 FBI Files Reel Race 06:30 07:30 Wild Discovery Ice Pack 08:30 Risk Takers Swat Battleground The Art of

10:30 Extreme Machines Flight of the Future New Detectives Blind

STAR SPORTS 08:00 The Golf Club The Ubs Golf Club 08:30 Gillette World Sports

Special 09:00 Hitz (R) Gymnastics Fig World Cup 2005/06 Extreme Programming Wild Spirits 01:00 Formula One Highlights

2005 The Rugby Show Tna Wrestling Programming Atp Masters Series

Tna Wrestling

Wrestling (R)

Programming Tna

Tennis (L) Sportscenter India

10:30 Sportscenter India (L) 10:32 Cricket Classics 11:00 Football Asia (R) 11:30 The Golf Club 12:00 Tna Wrestling Programming (R)

Samsung Superskills

ESPN 08:00 Nfl Football (I) Dallas Cowboys Vs Philadel-

phia Eagles (L) Diving Fina Diving Grand Prix Super Final 2005 Mexico City Mexico (T) 02:00 South Africa Vs New Zealand 4th Odi Highlights(R) Team India Program

ming India Glorious (R) 05:00 Football Focus X-Games 08:00 Cricket Classics Dravid: The Wall

09:00 Cricket Classics Indian Legends Classic Boxing Jack Johnson V Burns (R) Sportscenter Asia (S) Sportscenter India (R) 12:00 Football Focus (R)

TEN SPORTS WWE Raw

Pakistan v England:1st Test Day 3 H/Ls Pakistan v England:1st Test Day 4 (L) WWE Smackdown 08:30 Gamer TV Sportscenter Update (L) 09:00 World Hockey Magazine

11:00 Pakistan v England:1st Test Day 4 H/Ls