

CULTURAL FEAST

Theatre



Play: Behular Bhashan
Organiser: Theatre and Music Department, University of Dhaka
Venue: Natmondal, University of Dhaka
Date: November 15-17, at 7pm
Play: Nattayatroee
Organiser: Nagorik Nattya Samprodaya
Venue: Mahila Samity Stage, Baily Road
Date: November 17, at 7pm
Play: Projapati
Organiser: Nityakendra
Venue: Mahila Samity Stage, Baily Road
Date: November 18, at 6:30pm

Exhibition

Title: Alluvial Pain And Salvation
Artist: Kalidas Karmakar
Venue: Alliance Franciase, Dhanmondi
Date: November 17-30, from 9am to 12pm, 5pm to 9pm
Title: Embroidery and lace exhibition of Italian designs and traditions
Organiser: Italian Embassy
Venue: House NW7, Road 54, Gulshan
Date: November 16-18, from 10am to 4pm
Artist: Anisur Rahman
Venue: Art & Soul Gallery, Road 36 House 16, Gulshan
Date: November 18-27, from 11am to 8pm
Title: Along with Chaos
Artist: Imtiaz Islam Shohag
Venue: Nolini Kanto Vottashali Gallery, National Museum
Date: November 23-30, from 10:30am to 4:30pm
Title: Iffat 2005
Artist: Iffat Ara Dewan
Venue: Shilpanagan Gallery, Road 05, House 25, Dhanmondi
Date: November 17-30, from 10 am to 1pm and 5pm to 8pm
Title: Art Expo-2005: 60 Small-Formats
Artist: Matlub Ali
Venue: Zainul Gallery, Institute of Fine arts, DU
Date: November 18-23, from 2:30pm to 7:30pm

Film Screening

Title: Children Film Special
Organiser: Indian Cultural Centre
Venue: Auditorium, House # 25, Road No # 96, Gulshan-2
Schedule:
November 17: Goopy Gyne Bagha Byne
November 18: Goopy Bagha Phire Elo
All the movies will be screened at 6pm

Korean Cultural Festival

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

Classical Music

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

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

Upcoming Talent

Juneer Kibria presents Bhangur

ERSHAD KAMOL

YOUNG artist Juneer Kibria's work is experimental both conceptually and aesthetically. He has created a juxtaposition of stylistic elements in a series of abstract, yet emotional pieces. Some of these depict pleasant memories while most of them are full of pathos. And the use of materials like encaustic (wax and oil paint), resin, and collages of burnt newspaper articles are likely to attract Bangladeshi viewers. The perfect juxtaposition of these mediums has created layers of textures. Juneer also uses recognisable symbols like handprints, foot prints, leaves and others.

The solo art exhibition of Juneer Kibria, titled *Bhangur* (Fragile), ended yesterday at the Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts. Juneer's father, eminent artist Mohammad Kibria inaugurated the week-long art exhibition on November 10. Artist Rafiqun Nabi and artist Mahmudul Haque were the special guests of



Blue

the opening ceremony. 85 art works under the sections of "Impression", "Memories", "Journey", "A moment trapped in time", "Ode to a wall", "Blue", "Reflection", "Composition", "Pages", "Memory in blue", "Rain", "Structure", "Cells", "Reason in blue", "Distilled", and "Silenced" were exhibited in the exhibition.

His series titled "Ode to a wall" aptly depicts the tone of the artist. "Ode to a wall" is in fact an ode to childhood memories. The use of subtle colours and hand marks on the suggestive wall represents some childish activities, which is not Juneer's own but universal.

In the "Memories" series, Juneer has used collages paper and woods, which represents fragments of his memory, but they are clipped and burnt. Each words of the collages of newspaper like "Nabokallol" and text books is a metaphor, which represent childhood in a happy family environment.

In the "Impression" series, Juneer Kibria's fossil-like work represents fleeting memories. The way Juneer applies encaustic to create an abrasive, rock-like texture mimics a fossilised environment. Here also Juneer has a foot print in the encaustic medium, which depicts childhood.

The resin and encaustic mediums have also been skillfully used in his "Journey" series. In the series, bubbling amber resin has been used to resemble shattered glass, which represents the complex journey of every individual.

Two interesting works in the exhibition are "Rain" and "Blue". Both the works represents harmony as well as serenity of nature. In his former work, Juneer has wonderfully created the pace of rain by using different layers in encaustic. In his "Blue" series Juneer has created a serene picture through abstraction using encaustic medium, which symbolically represents the child's purity of mind.

Saad Chowdhury

A musical career on the upswing

KAVITA CHARANJI

"I think I have a musical spirit. Some people can spend their entire lives looking at a piece of music and learning only what's on the page and how to interpret that into a performance. On the other hand, some people are better at just grasping the essence of the music. That's when you hear really great melody, music that is technically played very well with the fingers but also with a lot of heart and emotion in it," says musician Saad Chowdhury who dropped into The Daily Star office recently.

Still in his early 20s, Saad has traversed a long way on his musical voyage. Though primarily a pianist, he also plays the guitar and used to sing. In Bangladesh till the end of January to catch up with his parents a Bangladeshi father and a British mother, he returns to the UK where he will begin scouting for work.

Right now he is in the midst of providing the piano back up for a Dhaka Stage musical, titled *A little night music*. To be staged on November 30, the comedy of errors' music and lyrics are by Stephen Sondheim. Saad believes that this is "the hardest work" he has ever done



Saad Chowdhury on the piano

since it requires a high music reading ability. "You have to be on your toes as a musician, you have to have a good understanding of technical, practical application and reading. This is the first intensive work I have done since my university days in Kingston University, UK," asserts Saad.

In August, Saad participated in a charity concert for Ekmattrra at the

Russian Cultural Centre in Dhaka. The aim was to raise funds for the abandoned children of sex workers in Bangladesh. Saad accompanied a Japanese French horn player on the piano in the concert. Unfortunately the function was marred by bomb attacks in the country, which led to a greatly reduced audience.

Though Saad calls himself a "rock

man", he has eclectic tastes in music. Living in countries such as England, US, Luxembourg, Zambia and Bangladesh at various points of his life, he says, "I have been exposed to many different groups of people with many different tastes in music; different instruments and sounds; and different ways of thinking about music."

Saad has a single goal at the moment: to be a full time musician in London and "make people happy" through his performances. However, as he acknowledges, he has to be on his toes because there is tremendous competition in the musical arena. For starters, he plans to launch a demo CD in Bangladesh because studio time is much cheaper here. The CD will incorporate contemporary bass guitar and piano.

It has been tough going, acknowledges Saad. His university days weren't geared to market or promote himself, he asserts, they were meant to garner experience. "You have to jump in the deep end and get better at doing it," he says. "One has to do a lot of hard work and private study to be able to perform."

Talent hunt

Second phase of Bengal Bikash begins

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

A press conference was held at Bengal Shipalaya, Dhanmondi, yesterday, to give an update on the recently concluded preliminary selection of Bengal Bikash: Bengal Foundation's talent hunt.

A total of 1296 participants were chosen out of 4000 cassettes sent over by them. This amounted to about 20,000 songs sent so far from far-flung areas of the country. The participants were encouraged to present songs without any instrumental backups.

The second phase of the two-day talent hunt at a regional level begins at the Theatre Institute at the KC De road in Chittagong from November 18-19. The competition will commence at 9am with Tagore songs, while the second session will start at 3.30 pm with songs of Atul Prasad, DL Rai and Rajani Kanta.

On the second day, the competition starts at 9am on Nazrul songs and on folk songs at 3.15pm. Competition on modern songs will also be held in this session.

Bengal Foundation strives to bring out the latent talents of the country not necessarily the stars, said the organisers. The foundation so far has released about 80 melodious cassettes of popular artistes. It also provides scholarships for higher training in music.

The talent hunt was advertised through the print media, billboards and posters, which successfully reached people



in remote areas of the country, the organisers added.

Director of Bengal Foundation Luva Nahid Chowdhury, Director Fine Arts of Bengal Gallery, Subir Chowdhury, Khalid Hasan, Bulbul Islam and Mahbul Alam Pallab were present at the press briefing.

Amader Anando Bari

Upcoming attraction on the small screen



Tarana Halim (R) and co-star in the serial

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Ntv will begin the telecast of a new TV serial titled *Amader Anando Bari* from next week. Based on a story by

Jackie Chan to come to India for The Myth premiere

An extravagant premiere is being planned for the Jackie Chan and Mallika Sherawat starrer *The Myth* on November 22. The event will be held at Mumbai's Cinemax theatre and promises to be a grand event. In fact, Jackie Chan will specially be flown down for the occasion. Apart from him, Mallika Sherawat and other prominent personalities from various fields will grace the occasion.

Source: Internet



Mallika Sherawat and Jackie Chan

TV GUIDE

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, 9:00am, 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.
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

BTV
08:15 Shubhechha Nin
09:05 Musical programme
10:00 Satellite Programme
12:30 Shashito Tathya
01:00 Loukik Bangla
02:15 Information Technology
02:40 Selected Programme
04:00 Moner Kotha
04:30 Campus
05:05 Protashar Alo
06:35 Jiboner Alo
07:00 News Headlines, Share Market, Weather Forecast
07:05 Shipka O Shahittya
08:30 Weekly Drama: Ferey Dekha
10:25 Teknaf Theke Tetulia
10:30 Amar Joto Gaan
12:05 Satellite Porgramme
CHANNEL i
09:30 Shongbad Potrey Bangladesh and Public Reaction
09:45 Trityo Matra
12:00 TVC sky shop
12:30 Aaj Dupurey O Citicell Tarakakothon (live)
01:00 Ebong Cinemar Gaan
01:25 Public Reaction
02:40 Special Programme
04:00 Bashudhara Amader Gaan
04:15 Agora Shopping Guide
04:30 Special Programme
04:45 Sa Re Ga Ma
05:15 Janopader Khobor
05:30 X Music
06:30 Amar Chhobi
07:50 Step 2 Dubai
08:25 Drama Serial: Albatross
09:35 Drama Serial: Shampurno Rangin
10:00 Drama Serial: Pothey

ATN BANGLA
10:30 Annodrishti
11:05 ATN Taroka (Acting)
12:20 Bangla Feature Film: Ghoror Bou
02:27 Mukjuddher Ei Diney
03:50 ATN Rannaghor
04:25 Shundor Jiboner Jonno
04:45 Ispahani Pure Snax
06:20 Quiz Time
06:20 Mortal Combat
08:00 Conquest
08:00 Drama Serial: Char Deyalar Chand
08:30 Drama Serial: Ferari Cyren
09:00 Drama Serial: Britto
10:35 Feather Touch Char Deyalar Kabbyo
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08:35 Aajker Shokal
09:00 Drama Serial: Titumirer Bansher Kella
09:30 Ain O Jibon
10:05 Chalachitra Kotha
11:30 Bangla Cinema: Moumachi
01:05 Mukangan
02:35 Drama Serial: Belabhum
03:15 Kichu Kotha Kichu Gaan
03:50 Drama Serial: Rangchhut
04:25 Japanese Cultural Show
05:20 Smritir Janalaya
06:20 Shubho Shondhya
06:50 Biz Week
08:25 Drama Serial: Kachher Manush
09:20 Drama Serial: Maxis Express
10:00 Drama Serial: Chithi
11:25 Dindarpan



Albatross
On Channel i at 8:25pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Mahbuba Islam Shumi, Tamalika



Van Helsing
On HBO at 09:30pm
Genre: Action/Adventure/Horror/Fantasy
Cast: Hugh Jackman, Kate Beckinsale

HBO
12:10 Shangskriti Ei Shaptaho
8:30 Timecop: The Berlin Decision
10:15 Beethoven
12:00 Darkness Falls
1:45 The Secret Life of Zoey
3:30 K-9 P.I.
5:30 Confidence
7:30 passenger 57
9:15 HBO Sneak Peek: The Last Samurai
9:30 Van Helsing
12:15 Wild Things
2:30 Timecop: The Berlin Decision
4:15 HBO Sneak Peek: Spy Kids 3:
STAR WORLD
8:00 Hollywood Squares
8:30 Whose Line Is It Anyway
9:00 The Drew Carey Show
9:30 Oprah Winfrey Show
10:30 Smallville
11:30 Medical Investigations
12:30 Life As We Know It
1:30 The A Team
2:30 Star Asia Travel
2:30 Oprah Winfrey Show
3:30 Bold And Beautiful
4:30 Hollywood Squares
5:00 Whose Line Is It Anyway
5:30 Buffy The Vampire Slayer
6:30 The Simpsons

STAR PLUS
10:30 Meri Saheli
11:00 Piya Bina
11:30 Shanti
12:00 Zindagi Milke Bitayenge
1:00 Kasauti Zindagii Kay
5:30 Hit Filmlein Hit Sangeet-20 M
5:55 Taaza Hits
6:00 Zindagi Milke Bitayenge
6:30 Kim Possible
7:00 Film Topper
7:25 Kunkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan
7:30 Film Topper
7:55 Akkad Bakkad Bambeey Bo
8:00 Mum Tum Aur Hum
9:00 Kasauti Zindagii Kay Millee
9:30 Kavyanjali
10:00 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii
10:30 Piya Bina
11:00 Shanti
11:30 Zindagi Milke Bitayenge
12:00 Kasauti Zindagii Kay
12:00 Hit Filmlein Hit Sangeet-20 M
12:30 Predator's Prey

DISCOVERY CHANNEL
1:00 Young And Wild
1:30 Fun Zone
2:30 Jeff Corwin Experience
2:30 Lyndal's Lifeline
4:30 In the Wild
5:30 Fun Zone
6:30 O'shea's Big Adventure
7:30 Wild Rescues
8:30 Natural World
9:30 Fun Zone
10:30 Mad Mike and Mark
11:30 Animal Precinct
12:00 Building the Ultimate
12:30 Battleground-The Art Of War
1:30 Science Frontiers
2:30 Real Kids Real Adventures
3:00 Healthy Living
3:30 Baby Story
4:00 Great Romances of the 20th Century
4:30 Wild Discovery
5:30 Spy Stories
6:30 Discovery Wings
7:30 Wild Tech
8:30 Journey of Life
9:30 Days that Shook the World
10:30 100 Greatest Discoveries
11:30 Crime Stories
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC
12:30 Built For Destruction
1:30 From The Heart
2:30 Air Crash Investigation S2
3:30 Wonders Of The Sea
4:30 Backyard Science
4:45 Doc Eureka
5:00 Serious: Arctic
5:30 Croc Chronicles
6:00 Crittercam-Wildtech Adventures
6:30 Ng Explorer
7:30 Fairy Penguin

STAR SPORTS
8:00 West Indies Tour Of Australia 2nd Test Day 1 2nd & 3rd Session(L)
12:30 Tna Impact (R)
1:30 International Triathlon Union (Itu) Iltu European Championships Event Highlights(T)
2:30 Motocross Programming Mrf National Motocross Championship 2005 Episode Four(R)
3:00 Extreme Programming Sports Mania (T)
4:00 Tna Xplosion (T)
5:00 Tennis Masters Cup Shanghai 2005
9:00 Singaporean Update (L)
9:02 West Indies Tour Of Australia 2nd Test Day 1 Highlights (S)
10:30 Sportscenter Update (L)
10:32 Inside The Pga Tour (T)
11:30 Macau Grand Prix 2005
12:00 Macau Macau Preview(T)
ESPN
8:00 Hitz (R)
8:30 Pga Tour Golf Franklin Templeton Shootout
11:00 Diving Champions Cup 2005 Stockholm
1:00 10th laaf World Championships In

Athletics In 2005 Helsinki Finland Day 4 Highlights(T)
2:00 Australia Tour Of England 1st Odi Highlights(R)
3:30 Team India Programming India Glorious (R)
5:00 Nokia Football Crazy (L)
6:00 Goals! (R)
6:30 X-Games 11 Slammed & Stomped Los Angeles Ca Usa (T)
7:00 Pga Tour Golf Algarve World Cup (Wgc) Gao One(L)
9:00 Sportscenter India (L)
10:30 Icc Cricket World (R)
11:00 Sportscenter Asia (S)
11:30 Sportscenter India (R)
12:00 Nokia Football Crazy (R)
TEN SPORTS
8:30 WWE After Burn
10:30 Pakistan v England: 1st Test Day 5 H/Ls
11:00 European Tour Weekly
12:00 Italian Highlights
1:00 World Cup Classics (1999-Super 6match Ind v Pak)
2:00 Legends
2:30 Portuguese League H/Ls
3:00 Gillette World Sport
3:30 ATP Tennis
5:30 Pakistan v England: 1st Test Day 5 H/Ls
6:30 WWE: The Bottom Line
7:30 Transworld Sports: Ep 46
8:00 European Tour Weekly
9:00 German League H/Ls
10:00 Italian League H/Ls
11:00 World Cup Classics (1999-Super 6match Ind v Pak)
12:00 WWE: The Bottom Line
12:30 Total Rugby