

CULTURAL FEAST

Theatre
Play: Chhayanaut
Director: Aly Zaker
Group: Nagorik Natya Shomproday
Date: November 24, at 7pm
Venue: Experimental Theatre Stage, Shilpakala Academy

Exhibition
Title: Alluvial Pain And Salvation
Artist: Kalidas Karmakar
Venue: Alliance Franciase, Dhanmondi
Date: November 17-30, from 9am to 12pm, 5pm to 9pm
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: Imitiaz 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: Enlightenment
Artist: Kanak Champa Chakma
Venue: Bengal Shilpalay, Dhanmondi
Date: November 20 - December 03, from 12pm to 8pm

Artist: Nagarbashi Barman
Venue: Gallery Kaya, House 20, Road 16, Sector 4, Uttara
Date: November 25 - December 04, from 11pm to 8pm

Film Screening
Organiser: Dhaka Film Society
Venue: Russian Cultural Centre
Date: November 29-30

Schedule
November 29
 2:30pm King Lear
 5:30pm Hamlet
November 30
 2:30pm Crime And Punishment
 5:30pm Anna Karenina

Book Publication
Title: Galpa: Short Stories by Women from Bangladesh
Editors: Firdous Azim and Niaz Zaman
Venue: Bengal Shilpalay, Dhanmondi
Date: November 25, at 4pm

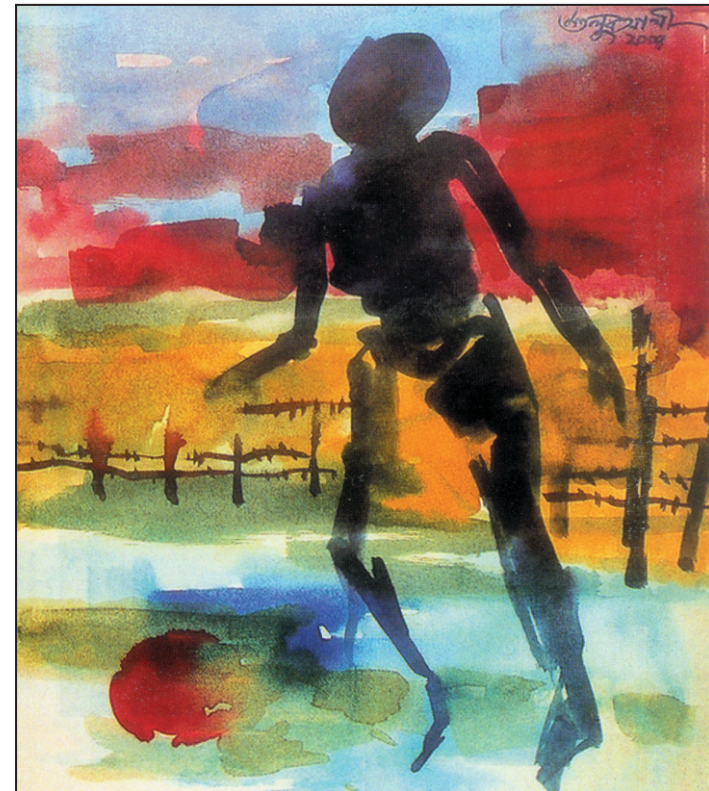
Cultural Programme
Title: Shetubandhan: Ma, Mati and Konya
Organiser: Spectra Group
Venue: Shaheed Zia Auditorium, National Museum, Shahbagh
Date: December 02, at 4pm

Commemoration
Occasion: Death anniversary of Noren Biswas
Organiser: Kanthoshilon
Date: November 27, at 6:30pm
Venue: Experimental Theatre Stage, Shilpakala Academy

Cultural Programme
Programme: Award Giving Ceremony followed by solo violin recital by Nurat Mumtaz Ruposhi
Occasion: Birth anniversary of Munir Chowdhury
Organiser: Theatre
Date: November 27, at 7pm
Venue: Mahila Shamiti Stage, Baily Road

Gritty realities of metro life

Matlub Ali's solo exhibition



group are *Nature and Man* series (4 pieces), *Environment, Nature and Environment* and *Budding* which also deliver almost the same thought and colour combination. However, the expression is different from each other.

Crows are an indivisible part of Dhaka city. Matlub's canvases titled *Two crows, The crow drenched and The crow (1&2)* show the harmony between fauna and nature in the metro.

In the *Nature and Man* series, Matlub depicts the bond between city dwellers and nature using a colourful watercolour medium.

Road construction is another common feature of Dhaka City, and logically it has drawn the attention of city artist Matlub. His paintings, *A labour, Working woman and Road repairing-* depict the spirit of the working class. Boldness as well as the inner strength of the workers has been portrayed in a watercolour medium.

The pain and struggle of city dwellers are the other aspects of the exhibition. Most of Matlub's abstract works symbolically depict the psyche

of the city dwellers' like dark sides, social turmoil that they face in the daily life, conflict between dream and reality and others. In this group are *A poetry-memoirs, Disorder (1&2), A deprived woman, The distorted theme* (a series of 10 watercolour painting), *Searching for myself* (a series of seven watercolour paintings), *Collage: Wounded nature and deceived spring, and Collage of the time.*

Comeback of the Shahid Muktiyoddha, in coloured ink medium, is another interesting canvas in the exhibition. He has shown the triumph of the freedom fighters by portraying a figure breaking the barbed wire fence. Blue, green, red coloured ink have been used as the background of the painting.

Artist Matlub is an admirer of Rabindranath Tagore's paintings. A series titled *Ode to Tagore Art style* is included in the exhibition.

Matlub has used a colourful signature-pen in his drawings, titled *Rhyme in beauty, Bijoyini* and others.

Comeback of the Shahid Muktiyoddha

ERSHAD KAMOL

ROAD construction, the angst of city dwellers, a little touch of nature in the midst of concrete structures- all these are the common elements of metro life in Dhaka. Artist Matlub Ali, whose approach is romantic, has used these elements to portray life in the city.

Matlub's six-day solo exhibition, titled 'Art expo: 60 small formats', began on November 18. The exhibition includes 60 selected works of the artist at the Zainul Gallery.

Most of Matlub's works are figurative and colourful. Through his imagination he has sought to express the lack of harmony between the

metro elements and beauty of inner mind of the city dwellers. Bright colours such as green, blue, red, yellow and mixed shades have been used in the paintings. *It's spring: with or without a bloom* is an interesting painting in this group.

Using a green, yellow, red colour combination Matlub has depicted the harmony and serenity of spring at its zenith by portraying a small bush. The artist has unveiled the inner beauty of nature in the painting, which the denizens miss. In *Vernal*, a colour combination of red, pink, green and yellow, he has created a spectacular imaginary evening in the city life. Other paintings belonging to this



Nature

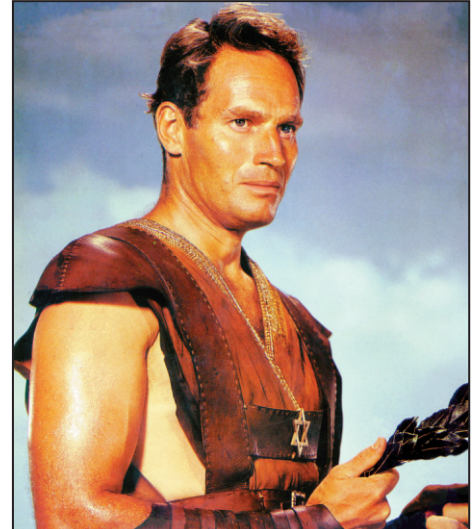
ALL TIME GREATS

Charlton Heston: Histrionic talents personified

The name Charlton Heston is synonymous with the roles of Michaelangelo, Ben-Hur and Moses. From his first major appearance in *The Greatest Show on Earth* (1952), his career touched its peak with *Ben-Hur* (1959). Then followed a string of hits, such as *The Ten Commandments, El Cid, The Agony and the Ecstasy, Julius Caesar, The Three Musketeers, Airport, Hamlet* and *The Planet of the Apes*.

Born on October 4, 1924, Heston sometimes had to struggle for his artistic choices. In 1958, he maneuvered Universal International into allowing Orson Welles to direct him in *Touch of Evil*, and in 1965 he fought the studio in support of Sam Peckinpah, when an attempt was made to interfere with his direction of *Major Dundee*. Heston was also president of the Screen Actors Guild from 1966 to 1971.

In 1971 he ventured into direction. He made his directorial debut with *Antony and Cleopatra*, an



adaptation of the William Shakespeare play that he had performed during his earlier theatre career.

Beginning with *The Three Musketeers* (1973), Heston played a number of supporting roles and cameos. Despite this, his immense popularity has never died, and a steady stream of film and television roles have come his way ever since. Heston's baritone voice is instantly recognisable and is often heard as a narrator.

A little known facet of Heston is his authorship of several books, including autobiographies and religious works. Among the titles are: *The Actor's Life, In the Arena: An Autobiography, Beijing Diary, To Be a Man: Letters to My Grandson, Charlton Heston Presents the Bible* and *Charlton Heston's Hollywood: 50 Years in American Film* (with Jean-Pierre Isbouts).

Compiled by Cultural Correspondent

Art Appreciation Course



Eminent artist Rafiqunnabi recently inaugurated the Art Appreciation Course 2005, at the Biswa Sahitya Kendra says a press release. Renowned artists, critics and tutors will conduct the three-month-long course. An aggregate of 45 students is taking part in the session, co-ordinated by art critic Moinuddin Khaled. Mustafa Monwar, Shamsul Wareh, Nisara Hossain, Shishir Bhattacharya, Lalarukh Selim, Shamsuz Zaman Khan and Niru Shamsun Nahar will conduct the course.

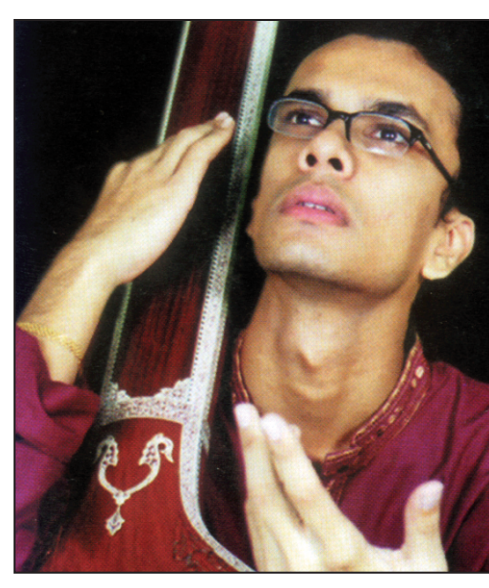
Prithwiraj displays his vocal skills

Two albums, one on classical and the other containing modern Bangla songs by Prithwiraj Baidya, were released recently. The classical album includes a presentation of three ragas, *Ahir Bhairo, Khamaj (Thumri)* and *Durga*, while the modern music album, titled *Ragankure*, includes eight Bangla songs.

The upcoming Prithwiraj, though a classical vocalist, prefers to perform other genres, such as Tagore, Nazrul and modern Bangla songs. Currently he is receiving training from Raghunandan Panshikar, a student of the living legend Kishori Amonkar.

Prithwiraj, began his classical training at the tender age of three, under the guidance of his mother, Durba Chowdhury and father Tapan Kanti Baidya, who are well known in musical circles. He also received supervision from the great Guru Pandit Ajay Chakraborty.

His melodious voice, as well as his grasp of music at the CD release function, transported the audience to a higher realm.



The Core to present two jazz shows



The Core, a Norwegian jazz troupe, will stage two shows at the National Theatre Stage on November 25 and 26 at 7 pm, says a press release.

State Minister for Cultural Affairs, Begum Selima Rahman will inaugurate the musical evening. The Royal Norwegian Embassy, in collaboration with Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy, is the organiser of the events.

(L-R), Kamaluddin Nilu, secretary general of Centre for Asian Theatre (CAT), Ahmed Nazir, director general of Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy, Aud Lise Norheim, the Norwegian ambassador and Galib Ahmed Ansari on behalf of Grameen Phone are seen at the press conference.

The Russian Centre of Science and Culture organised a photo exhibition dedicated to 1000th anniversary of the city of Kazan- the capital of the Republic of Tatarstan, Russia at the Exhibition Hall of Russian Centre of Science and Culture, recently. Chief Guest Oleg S. Malginov, Ambassador of the Russian Federation, inaugurated the exhibition. Yury I. Makarov, Head of Russian Centre of Science and Culture, Dhaka was also present at the event. Russian visitors are seen at the event.



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.

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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.

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

CHANNEL i
 09:30 Shongbad Potrey Bangladesh and Public Reaction
 09:45 Trito Matra
 12:00 TVC sky shop
 12:30 Aaj Dupurey O Citicell Tarokathon (live)
 01:00 Ebong Cinemar Gaan
 01:25 Public Reaction
 02:40 Trito Matra Apni
 04:00 Bashudhara Amader Gaan
 04:20 Agora Shopping Guide
 04:45 Sa Re Ga Ma
 05:15 Janopader Khobor
 05:30 RC Tones and Tunes
 06:00 Music Plus
 06:30 Amar Chhobi
 07:50 Step 2 Dubai
 08:25 Albatross
 09:35 Drama Serial: Shampurno Rangin
 10:00 Drama Serial: Pothey Jetey Jetey

ATN BANGLA
 10:30 Annodrishti
 11:05 ATN Taroka (Acting): Comilla Zone
 12:20 Bangla Feature Film: Dilto Pagol
 02:27 Muktiyudher Ei Diney
 03:50 ATN Rannaghor
 04:25 Shundor Jiboner Jonno
 04:45 Ispahani Pure Snax
 05:00 Quiz Time
 05:45 Islami Sawaal O Jobab (Live)
 06:20 Mortal Combat
 08:00 Conquest
 Drama Serial: Char

08:30 Deyaler Chand Drama Serial: Ferari Cyren
 09:00 Drama Serial: Britto
 10:35 Feather Touch Char Deyaler Kabbyo

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 08:35 Aajker Shokal
 09:00 Drama Serial: Titumirer Bansher Kella
 09:30 Nari Gharey Bairey
 10:05 Chalachitra Kotha
 11:30 Bangla Cinema: Nishpatti
 01:05 Mukhtangan
 02:35 Drama Serial: Belabhumii
 03:15 Kichu Kotha Kichu Gaan
 03:50 Drama Serial: Amader Anondo Bari
 05:20 Mahilangan
 06:20 Shubho Shondhya
 06:50 Biz Week
 08:25 Drama Serial: Kachher Manush
 09:20 Music Express
 10:00 Drama Serial: Chithi
 11:25 Dindarpan
 12:10 Shangskriti Ei Shapthaho

HBO
 10:00 Possession
 12:00 Cop & 1/2
 2:00 Bloodsport
 4:00 Wayne's World 2
 6:00 Cyborg
 7:45 Spy Kids: 3 Game Over
 9:30 The Big Hit
 11:15 Along Game Polly
 1:00 Cop & 1/2
 3:30 Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind

PICK OF THE DAY

Kachher Manush
 On ntv at 8:25pm
 Drama Serial
 Cast: Faridee, Subarna, Alamgir, Preeti

Supersonic: Pushing the Envelope
 On Discovery at 10:00pm
 'Speed Week' takes its viewers on a gut-wrenching, thrill ride of a lifetime with this documentary

STAR MOVIES
 9:00 Nature Unleashed: Fire
 10:30 There's Something About Mary
 12:30 Direct Action
 2:10 Evel Knievel
 3:45 Country Bears The Starsky & Hutch
 5:15 Fan The Chamber The
 10:50 Rocky III

STAR WORLD
 10:30 Smallville
 11:30 Medical Investigations
 1:00 Life As We Know It
 1:30 The A Team
 2:30 Oprah Winfrey Show

STAR PLUS
 11:00 Piya Bina
 11:30 Shanti
 12:00 Zindagi Milke Bitayenge

4:30 Hollywood Squares
5:00 Whose Line Is It Anyway
5:30 Buffy The Vampire Slayer
6:30 The Simpsons
7:00 The King Of Queens
7:30 Friends
8:00 Seinfeld
8:30 Scrubs
9:00 8 Simple Rules
9:30 Miss World
10:30 Angel

12:25 Film Topper
12:30 Hit Filmmee Hit Sangeet
12:55 Taaza Hits
2:00 Bhabhi
2:30 Kesar
3:00 Saarthi
5:00 Shagun
6:30 Talespin
7:00 Kim Possible
7:25 Film Topper
7:30 Kumkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan
7:55 Film Topper
8:00 Akkad Bakkad Bambeey Bo
8:30 Mum Tum Aur Hum
9:00 Kasautii Zindagii Kay Milee
9:30 Milee
10:00 Kavyanjali

10:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi
11:00 Kahiin To Hoga K. Street Pali Hill
11:30 Kahiin To Hoga K. Street Pali Hill

ANIMAL PLANET
 10:30 Austin Stevens : Most Dangerous
 11:30 Miami Animal Police
 12:30 Predator's Prey
 1:00 Young And Wild
 1:30 Fun Zone
 2:30 Jeff Corwin Experience
 3:30 Lynda'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

DISCOVERY CHANNEL
 10:30 Wild Discovery
 11:30 Ultimate Cars
 12:00 Building the Ultimate
 12:30 Great Palaces Of The World
 1:00 Africa's Great Rivers
 1:30 Speed Week
 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 Speed Week
11:30 Crime Stories

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC
 10:30 Seconds From Disaster
 11:30 Storm Stories
 12:30 Built For Destruction
 1:30 The Last Voices From Heaven
 2:30 Seconds From Disaster
 3:30 National Geographic Special
 4:30 Backyard Science
 4:45 Doc Eureka
 5:00 Serious: Desert
 5:30 Croc Chronicles
 6:00 Crittercam-Wildtech Adventures

6:30 Ng Explorer
7:30 National Geographic Special
8:30 Frontlines Of Construction
10:30 Air Crash Investigation S2
11:30 Gorilla

STAR SPORTS
 10:00 Rugby Internationals
 11:30 Wales Vs South Africa
 12:00 Golf Focus (R)
 12:30 English Premier Football League
 2005/06 Manchester City Vs Blackburn Rovers (T)
 2:30 Extreme Programming Sports Mania (T)
 3:30 Bull Riding Pro Built Ford Tough Series 2005
 Reno Nv USA (T)
 5:30 Mrf National Motocross Championship 2005
 Episode Five(R)
 6:00 Uefa Champions League 2005/06 Group Phase 1Matchday 5(R)
 8:00 Tottenham Hotspur Vs Arsenal (R)
 9:00 English Premier Football League 2005/06 Group Phase 1Matchday 5(R)
 11:30 Sportscenter India (S)
11:30 Sportscenter India (R)

11:30 Goals! (R)
12:00 Asian Tour Volvo China Open Day One(L)
3:00 PGA Tour Golf Algarve World Cup (Wgc) Day Three(R)
5:00 Nokia Football Crazy (L)
6:00 Samsung Superskills (T)
6:30 UEFA Champions League 2005/06 Group Phase 1Matchday 5(S)
8:30 Sportscenter India (L)
9:00 UEFA Champions League 2005/06 Group Phase 1Matchday 5(R)
11:00 Sportscenter Asia (S)
11:30 Sportscenter India (R)

TEN SPORTS
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