

CULTURAL FEAST

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: 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: Enlightenment
Artist: Kanak Chandra Chakma
Venue: Bengal Shilpalay, Dhanmondi
Date: November 20 - December 03, from 12pm to 8pm

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



Title: Srishri Ullashay
Artist: Muhammad Mofidul Alam Khan
Venue: Zainul Gallery, Institute of Fine Arts
Date: November 24-30, from 12pm 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

Title: Andrei Tarkovsky retrospective
Organiser: Bangladesh Federation of Film Societies and Russian Cultural Centre
Venue: Russian Cultural Centre, Dhanmondi
Date: November 27-29

Cultural Programme

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

Occasion: 25th anniversary of Bangladesh Group Theatre Federation
Venue: National Theatre Stage, Shilpakala Academy
Date: November 29, at 5pm

Theatre

Play: A Little Night Music
Playwright: Stephen Sondheim
Group: Dhaka Stage
Date: November 30-December 03, at 7:30pm
Venue: American International School, Dhaka

Theatre Awards

Plaudits for talent



Award winners Nikhil Sen (R) and Aminur Rahman Mukul at the event

PHOTO: STAR

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

NOVEMBER 27 is the birth anniversary of Martyr Muneir Chowdhury. To mark the day, Theatre, a leading theatrical troupe of the country, conferred two awards Martyr Muneir Chowdhury Award and Zakaria Smrity Padak to Nikhil Sen and Aminur Rahman Mukul respectively at Mahila Samiti Stage.

The Martyr Muneir Chowdhury Award was introduced in 1989 in memory of the martyred intellectuals during the Liberation War. The aim is to honour the senior theatre activists or organisations of the country for their lifetime achievement in theatre.

The Zakaria Smrity Padak was introduced in 1997 to encourage promising theatre activists of the country. The award is instituted in memory of the late pioneering theatre activist Mohammed Zakaria, who made a tremendous contribution to theatre since 1944.

Rainbow Film Society

9th Dhaka International Film Festival

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

One of the leading film-based organisations in our country, Rainbow Film Society is all set to hold the 9th Dhaka International Film Festival, beginning from January 17, 2006. The organisation held a press conference at Dhaka Sheraton Hotel on November 27, to share the layout of the festival with the media.

Ahmed Muztaba Jamal, festival director and secretary general of Rainbow Film Society, Margub Moshed, chairperson of the festival, Mashihuddin Shaker, renowned filmmaker, Shah Alamgir, news editor of Channel-i and Badal Rahman spoke on the occasion.

has emerged as an extremely influential medium. In Bangladesh however, many of the recent movies produced, are full of violence and vulgarity. Yet cinema retains its influence over the majority of our population. In the post revolutionary periods in Russia, Eastern Europe, Iran, and elsewhere, movies played a vital role in building 'approved' social values in the populace.

About 150 films will be screened at the festival, with participation from over 30 countries. The festival will

have a competition section for movies from the 'Austral-Asian' (Australian and Asian) countries. Other categories in the festival include, 'Retrospective', 'Tributes', 'Cinema of the World', 'Children's Films', 'Focus on Australia', 'Bangladesh Panorama', 'Independent Films', 'French Classics', and 'Women's Films'.

The festival organisers plan to screen films from Australia, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Congo, The Peoples' Republic of China, The Czech Republic, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Iceland, India, Iran, Ireland, Indonesia, Japan, Mexico, New Zealand, Norway, Pakistan, Poland, Portugal, Russia, South Korea, North Korea, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland, UK, USA and Bangladesh. A series of seminars by international speakers will be held on January

19 and 20, 2006. The theme of this year's series is "Better Films, better audience, better society."

The festival and seminars will be held at Star Cineplex, Shaikat Osman Memorial Auditorium at the Central Public Library, Shaheed Zia Auditorium at National Museum and German Cultural Centre. Other possible venues include Balaka Cinema Hall.

This festival is to be organised by Rainbow Film Society in association with the Royal Norwegian Embassy, the Australian High Commission, the French Embassy, SIGNIS - Brussels, Mindshare, and MCG. Media partners of the event include Channel-i and Tara Bangla.

TV GUIDE

PICK OF THE DAY



Bela Bhumi
On ntv at 8:25 pm
Genre: Drama Serial
Cast: Richi Solaiman, Shahed Sharif Khan



Nari
On ATN Bangla at 5:10pm
Talk Show
Hosted by Falguni Hamid

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.
Teletext 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
Teletext of BTV News (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm.
Latest News (Bangla) at 9:00 am, 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.
Teletext 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 (English) (Bangla) at 9:30 pm.
BBC WORLD
Every hour on the hour

CHANNEL-i

09:30 Shongbad Potrey Bangladesh
09:45 Trilio Matra
10:45 Grameseen Phone Cricket Online
11:30 Aamar Chhobi
12:30 Aaj Dupurey
01:00 Ebong Cinemar Gaan
01:25 Public Reaction
01:30 Shongbadpotrey Bangladesh
04:00 Bashudhara Amader Gaan
04:15 Special Programme
04:45 Saa Re Gaa Maa
05:15 Janopoder Khabor
05:30 i-Sports
06:00 Music Plus
07:50 Shera Radhuniri 1412
08:25 Drama Serial: Ek Akasher Tara
09:35 Drama Serial: Chalche Chalbey
10:00 Tumi Shudhu Amar
ntv
08:35 Aajker Shokal
09:30 Crime Watch
09:30 Vinna Swader Khabor
10:30 Bari Ghar Thik Thik Cin gaan
11:30 Ganbhira
12:30 Single Episode Drama
02:00 Drama Serial: Bela Bhumi
03:50 Akash Chhonya
04:25 Gallery
05:20 Apnar Jiggasha
06:20 Shubho Shondhya
06:50 Frankly Speaking
08:25 Drama Serial: Bela Bhumi
09:20 Close up 1- Tromakei Khujithe Bangladesh
10:00 Drama Serial: Amader Anondo Bari
11:25 Dindarpan

ATN BANGLA

10:30 Talk Show: Annodishti
11:05 Drama Serial
11:35 Bussiness This Week
12:15 Amar Computer
12:45 Cholo Gaan Gai
02:30 Drama Serial: Ghunpoka
03:15 Drama Serial: O Amar Chokhu Nai
03:45 Aha Ki Anondo
04:20 Somosomik
04:50 Selected programme
05:10 Talk Show: Nari
05:45 Islami Swal Jawab
06:20 Aynar Shamney
08:00 Drama Serial: Shukhnagar Apartment
08:30 Drama Serial: Ferari Siren
09:00 ATN Taroka (acting)
10:40 Musical Programme
HBO
08:30 The Guardian
10:15 The New Guy
12:00 The Door in the Floor
02:15 Beethoven
04:00 Tango & Cash
06:00 The Powerpuff Girls Move
07:30 Wayne's World 2
09:30 Cradle 2 the Grave
11:30 The Jackal
02:00 Bloodsport
04:00 Consequence
STAR MOVIES
08:00 Baadasssss!
09:45 Alien
02:40 Nature Unleashed: Fire
01:15 Human Stain The
03:05 Dance With Me
05:15 Agent Cody Banks
07:00 Eulogy
08:35 Welcome To

10:25 Mooseport
12:20 The Guru
STAR PLUS
10:00 Hit Filmein Hit Sangeet- 20 M
10:30 Meri Saheli
11:00 Piya Bina
11:30 Shanti
12:00 Zindagi Milke Bitayenge
12:25 Film Topper
12:55 Taaza Hills
01:00 Kasaauti Zindagi Kay
01:30 Kumaun - Pyara Sa Bandhan
02:00 Bhabhi
02:30 Kesar
03:00 Saarthi
03:30 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi
04:00 Kahaani To Hoga
04:30 K.Street Pali Hill
05:00 Shagan
06:00 Zindagi Milke Bitayenge
06:30 Kim Possible
07:00 Kim Possible
07:30 Akkad Bakkad Bambeey Bo
08:30 Mum Tum Aur Hum
09:00 Kasaauti Zindagi Kay
09:30 Milee
10:00 Kavyanjali
10:30 Kahaani To Hoga
11:30 Kahaani To Hoga
STAR WORLD
08:30 Whose Line Is It Anyway

09:00 The Drew Carey Show
09:30 Oprah Winfrey Show
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 Miss World
01:30 The A Team
02:28 Star Asia Travel
03:30 Bold And Beautiful
04:30 Hollywood Squares
05:30 Buffy The Vampire Slayer
06:30 The Simpsons
07:30 Friends
08:00 Seinfeld
08:30 Kevin Hill
09:30 Ghost Hunters
10:30 Tru Calling

11:30 Seinfeld
DISCOVERY
08:30 Speed Week
09:30 Engineering Wonders
10:30 Wild Discovery
11:30 Amazing Baby Videos
12:00 Force of Nature
12:30 Engineering Wonders
01:30 Analyse This
02:30 Popular Mechanics For Kids
03:00 Kid Free
03:30 Ten Years Younger
04:30 Wild Discovery
05:30 FBI Files
06:30 Reel Race
08:30 Risk Takers
09:30 Extreme Machines
11:30 New Detectives

01:30 Tna Wrestling Showcase
02:00 Asian Festival Of Speed Asian Touring Car Championship Japan Round 9(T)
03:00 Cricket Classics Great Indian Partnerships (R)
03:30 Gillette World Sports Special Gillette World Sports 2005 (R)
04:00 Extreme Programming Wild Spirits 2005/06 (T)
04:30 Tna Wrestling Programming Tna Wrestling (R)
05:30 The Rugby Show Guinness Premiership Round 9(T)
07:30 Superskills Samsung Superskills (T)
08:00 Tna Wrestling Programming Tna Wrestling (R)
09:00 Sportscenter Update (L)
09:02 West Indies Tour Of Australia 3 Mobile Test Series Adelaide
10:30 Sportscenter Update (L)
10:32 Tna Wrestling Programming Tna Wrestling (R)
11:30 The Golf Club The Ubs Golf Club (T)
ESPN
08:00 NFL Football (I)
Indianapolis In Usa Pittsburgh Steelers Vs

11:30 Indianapolis Colts (L)
English Premier Football League 2005/06
Middlesbrough England
Middlesbrough Vs West Bromwich Albion (T)
01:30 In The Driver's Seat Rock Crawling (T)
02:00 Champions League Extra Group Phase 1 Matchweek 5(T)
04:00 English Premier League Highlights (R)
05:00 Football Focus (L)
06:00 X Games 11 - Day 4 Part 1 (R)
08:00 Cricket Classics Dravid: The Wall (T)
08:30 Sportscenter India (L)
09:30 Cricket Classics Indian Legends (R)
10:00 Classic Boxing - Nino Benvenuti V Grithith (T)
11:00 Sportscenter Asia (S)
TEN SPORT
08:30 WWE Raw
10:50 Pakistan v England: 2nd Test Day 5 H/Ls
01:00 Pakistan v England: 3rd Test Day 1 (1st Session)
06:00 Pakistan v England: 3rd Test Day 1 (3rd Session)
08:00 WWE Smackdown
08:30 Gamer TV
11:00 World Rally

Silver jubilee celebration of BGTF begins today

ERSHAD KAMOL

Bangladesh Group Theatre Federation (BGTF) celebrates its silver jubilee today. The organisation has a mandate to: safeguard the professional interest of theatre personalities and to create opportunities for them; develop drama; free drama from bureaucratic control; mobilise public opinion against laws violating fundamental rights; take active steps to establish permanent stages in different parts of the country; nurture the ideology of group theatre; inform drama with social purpose; publish material related to theatre; establish a theatre museum; arrange workshops at national and international levels; arrange national drama festivals; and adopt welfare programmes for people associated with theatre.

BGTF arranged a press conference at the National Press Club yesterday.

Secretary General of BGTF, Liaquat Ali gave an update of today's events to mark the organisation's silver jubilee celebration at the Experimental Theatre Stage at Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy at 5 p.m.

The programme is likely to draw people from different strata of society. The evening will include cultural events and staging of excerpts from two plays Galileo and Binodini. Presidium members-- M Hamid, Keramat Mola and secretaries of the executive committee of BGTF were present at the press conference.

Mamunur Rashid, the chairperson of BGTF, presided over the programme. Mamunur Rashid said, "From its inception, the Federation has played an active role in promoting cultural awareness among the masses and encouraging the growth of a theatre culture. The abrogation of Acting Control Act is our major achievement.



However, we are yet to get any support from the government."

At the press conference, the theatre leaders announced a 10-day drama festival which will begin from December 2 at the Experimental Theatre Stage and stage 10 popular stage plays. It is a fundraiser effort to support the treatment of theatre activist Mujibur Rahman Dilu, who has been suffering from GBS.

Srijon stages musical soiree



Artistes present songs of yesteryears at the programme

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Cultural group Srijon organises regular monthly programmes. This month's show, titled Songs of Yesteryears, was held at the Poet Sufia Kamal Auditorium of the National Museum Saturday last. The programme featured the melodious and timeless songs of some contemporary popular and promising artistes. Masud

Ahmed presented the moving number Madhur Amar Mayer Hashi while other evergreen songs, such as Padmar Dheu Re and Lalon numbers charmed the audience.

The other artistes included Mahiuzzaman Chowdhury, Soheli Parveen, Halima Begum, Manju Shah, Bijon, Shikha Rouf and Nasreen Jahan. Directed by the chairman of Srijon Nurul Islam

Polash, the instrumentalists were Nurul Islam Polash on the tabla, Ronny on keyboards, Abu Kamal on violin and Ashrafuzzaman on guitar. To promote and popularise the traditional music among the younger generation, Srijon organises such programmes on the last Saturday of every month. The programme began three years ago and continues to be successfully staged.



Ferdous Hasan's mega serial Hartaner Bibi can soon be viewed on ATN Bangla. Starring Litu Anam, Joya Ahsan, Shahed, Chandni, Luthfun Nahar Lata and others, the serial will be telecast every Wednesday at 8pm.