

## CULTURAL FEAST

## Solo Art Exhibition

Organisation: Society for Promotion of Bangladesh Art (SPBA) in association with Alliance Française de Dacca

Artist: Wakilur Rahman

Title: Reading Space Seeing Space

Venue: 26 Salmassid Road

Dhanmondi RA

Date: December 3-15



## Theatre

Group Theatre Federation

festival: 2005

December 5

Bhaddornok by Natyachakra

December 6

Binodini by Dhaka Theatre

December 7

Kanjush by Loko Natya Dal

December 8

Circus Circus by Prachyanat

December 9

Nityapuran by Desh Natok

December 10

Raktokarobi by Nagorik

Natyasampradaya

December 11

Raarang by Aranyak Natya Dal

All of the shows will be staged at 6:30 pm

at the Experimental Theatre Stage,

Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy

## Photography

## Exhibition



Title: Our Hopes Our Fears Our Reality

Theme: HIV/AIDS and gender related

issues

Photographer: Bristi Chowdhury

Venue: Shipangan, House 25, Road

05, Dhanmondi

Date: December 01-14

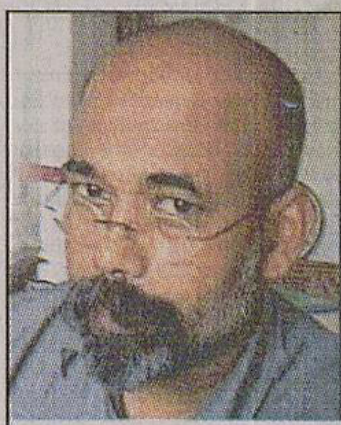
## Exhibition

## Wakil's "journey through life"

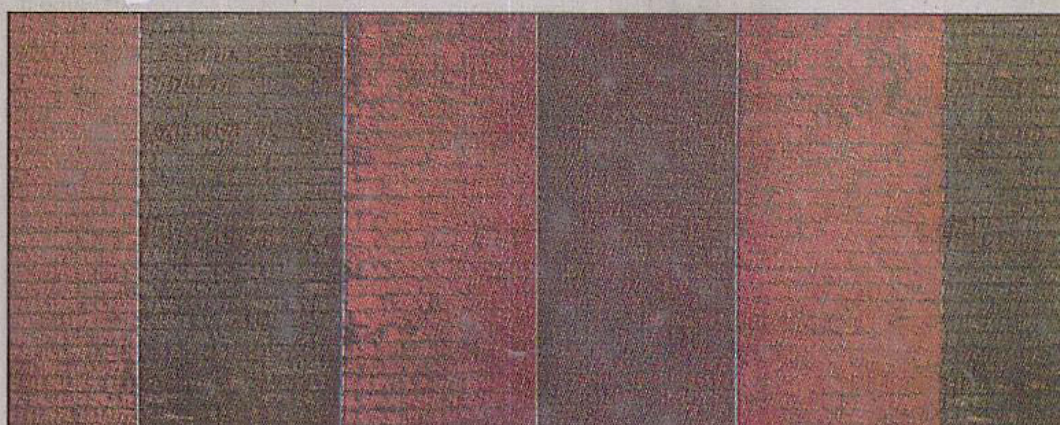
FAYZA HAQ

WAKILUR Rahman, based in Berlin, in his exhibition, held at Alliance Francaise on December 3, explains his repeated preoccupation with space. There is a new and fresh element in his latest display, titled In Reading space seeing space, which sets it apart from the earlier exhibition held at Chittrak in 2003, and the one at Goethe Institut in 2001. In the last 10 years, Wakil believes there have been a lot of changes in the world. He too has undergone changes and achieved something in the passage of time. He says that his experiences and exposure have been varied; his friends have seen changes too. In this manner his vision and painting prowess are now more developed.

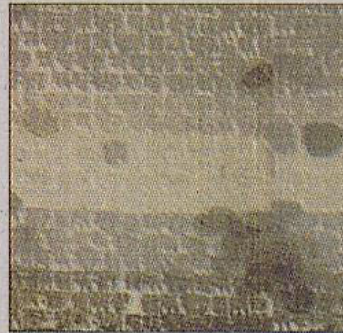
He showed in Chittrak four paintings, and used the space and the architectural backdrop: it was a dialogue between his paintings and their backdrop. "When I go to different places to present my work, I react differently. The galleries, viewers and lighting as well as my thoughts have seen a sea of change. I work with space as I'm only too aware of what I'm doing in the studio which is one type of space; when I bring my work to a gallery, another space is created. My life, so far, has been a continuation of galleries along with my life at different junctures. Every object requires a perfect space to communicate or express itself. I'm in quest of a perfect space for my work. Thus there is a dialogue: when I go to a certain room I react and try to change the room to a desired effect.



Wakilur Rahman



Samples of Wakilur Rahman's paintings



There is an exchange of views and ideas. This time I've worked with literature."

Throwing light on his recent exhibit, Wakil says that the alphabets carry two weights, one in words and the other in sound. He finds that abstraction and non-abstraction, that naturally ensue, is the essence of our very existence. When we comprehend a language, he says, the world opens up, and

things take a realistic shape. If one does not understand the particular language, one gets only the sound, and the following impact is an abstract one. Wakil travels widely, having studied in Beijing, in the early '80s, and various other countries, as he's based in Berlin. When he arrived in Berlin, at the outset, he did not comprehend the language clearly. The figurative and non-figurative world is contained

in *shobdo* (sound). This is the first and basic concept of my work. There are eight paintings in the Alliance Francaise gallery, the material being Chinese paper, Chinese ink and European paper. There is no framing, while the paintings these ones being a little bigger than the ones last seen at Chittrak -- are directly painted on to the wall. There were some delicate objects placed on the floor, related

to the paintings. Wakil has included a number of books on Bangla poetry: it's the essence of poetry that the artist has tried to reflect in his present work. His present work is symbolic just as were the ones in the space of a decade in Dhaka.

Asked to talk about his experiences, including those with teachers, colleagues, connoisseurs and critiques, Wakil says that earlier, when he went from Dhaka, he did not have enough info on China, which he gained at Beijing. He developed his academic skill in China, and at the same time he learnt a lot from Chinese traditional paintings, and their aesthetics. He used two types of calligraphy: one Bangla and the other Latin.

Wakilur Rahman, of international reputation, says that he always aims at delineating the metaphors of life. The exhibition was inaugurated by the French Ambassador, Jacques-Andre Costilhes.

## Tri-Continental Film Festival

## Award-winning films from the developing world to be screened

Film buffs are looking forward to a special film session, titled the Tri-Continental Film Festival. From December 8-15, they will get to see a unique package of internationally award-winning feature films from Africa, Latin America and Asia, says a press release.

The films in the festival share common ground in the sense that they have all received the prestigious South Fund award from the French Government's Ministry of

Foreign Affairs, which is given in the form of technical production support based on the excellence of the screenplay. On the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the South Fund, 12 films from 12 countries are touring around the world.

Among the countries represented in the festival are Argentina, Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, Lebanon, Morocco, Pakistan, Senegal, South Africa, Tajikistan and Tuni-



"Les Silences du Palais", by Moufida Tlatli (Tunisia, 1994)



"Ali Zaoua", by Nabil Ayouch (Morocco, 2000)

sia. The acclaimed film, *Matir Moira*, was the first Bangladeshi film to be made with South Fund support. As most of the films in the festival deal with women and child-centred themes, a Festival Advisory Committee has been formed, comprising 15 leading women personalities from different sectors of society to help and give a direction to the festival. Incidentally, most of the festival films come from predominantly Muslim countries.

From December 8-13, four shows a day will be screened at Star Cineplex. Each of the 12 films will be shown twice over this six day period. Since the Star Cineplex is closed on Wednesday December 14, a lively interactive seminar will be organised to discuss the films in the festival at Sofia Kamal Auditorium in the National Museum at 5:30 pm. On the closing day, December 15, the favourites of the festival will be screened.



BGTF

Drama Festival '05

Natyachakra stages  
Bhaddornok today

## CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Preview of tonight's play:

17th century French playwright Moliere in his play *The Bourgeois Gentleman* deals with the eternal question -- What is more important for a human being, his dynasty and social status or humane qualities?

Gulam Sarwar's comedy, titled *Bhaddornok*, an adapted version of Moliere's *The Bourgeois Gentleman*, presents the story of the lower-class Fazar Ali who has

earned a huge sum of money in Kuwait. However, after returning to Bangladesh, he struggles to learn the manners of the upper echelon, forgetting his roots. Through the story of Fazar Ali, adaptor Golam Sarwar has presented the vices and follies of aristocrats who lack morality.

Junaid Eusuf is the set and light designer of the play.

As part of the ongoing theatre festival, Natyachakra will stage *Bhaddornok* at the Experimental Theatre Stage at 6:30 pm.



A scene from the play

## Oprah and Letterman bury the hatchet

Talk show host Oprah Winfrey has ended her 16-year feud with fellow US TV presenter David Letterman by appearing on his programme.

Winfrey, who has been the subject of frequent jokes by Letterman, said she had "never for a moment" had a problem with the host.

Letterman praised Winfrey, adding: "I'm just very happy you're here."

After the interview, Letterman escorted Winfrey to the New York opening of her new Broadway show *The Color Purple*.

Winfrey was a guest twice on Letterman's NBC show before the comic moved to CBS in 1993 but had not appeared since then.

During her appearance, Winfrey asked Letterman: "Could you tell me please what has transpired?"



Source: BBC

## Aamir Khan playback for Rang De Basanti



That Aamir Khan is a man of many talents is a well-established fact. Apart from acting, he has even sung earlier. One cannot forget the memorable *Aati kya Khandala* from *Ghulam*. Now, he will be singing again for Rakeysh Mehra's *Rang De Basanti*. Titled *Lalkaar*, the song has been composed by AR Rahman, and the lyrics have been written by Prasoon Joshi. For the director, Rakeysh, Aamir was the first choice. Chances are, like everything else Aamir does, this song too will be perfect.

Source: Internet

## TV GUIDE

## PICK OF THE DAY



## ATN Taroka

On ATN Bangla at 9 pm

Genre: Talent hunt programme

Host: Khondokar Ismail and Kona



## Lara Croft Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life

On HBO at 09:30 pm

Genre: Action/Adventure

Cast: Angelina Jolie, Gerard Butler, Ciaran Hinds

12:20	Adibashi Janopad	11:50	The Beach	02:28	Star Asia Travel Shorts	11:00	Coupling
10:00	Vampire in Brooklyn	02:00	Confessions Of A Teenage Drama Queen	02:30	The Oprah Winfrey Show Chat Show	11:28	Star Asia
12:00	Fear	03:55	Nine Months	11:30	Seinfeld	11:30	Friends
02:00	Juwanna Mann	06:00	Harold & Kumar Go To White Castle	03:30	Bold And Beautiful	12:00	Friends
04:00	Who's Your Daddy?	07:45	BRIDE & PREJUDICE	04:30	Hollywood Squares	12:30	Crocodile Hunter
06:00	Deadly Swarm	10:05	LE DIVORCE	05:00	Whose Line Is It Anyway Comedy	12:30	Diaries
07:45	New Best Friend	12:05	Those Bedroom Eyes	05:30	Butty The Vampire Slayer So-f	12:30	Honda Presents: Animal Planet Insights
09:30	Lara Croft Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life	06:15	The Three Musketeers	06:30	Married To The Kellys	12:30	Animal Planet
11:45	Angels in America	08:20	highlander	07:00	The Simpsons Comedy	1:30	Fun Zone
03:00	Vampire in Brooklyn	10:30	Look Who's Talking Too	07:30	The King Of Queens	02:30	Animal Planet Showcase
05:00	After the Rain	12:10	Big Daddy	08:00	Friends Comedy	04:30	Lords of the Animals
03:00	STAR MOVIES	03:00	STAR WORLD	08:30	Seinfeld	05:00	Wild Island
08:05	Sonic Impact	11:30	Enterprise	09:00	Everybody Loves Raymond	05:30	Fun Zone
09:55	Phantoms	12:30	parkinson	09:30	The King Of Queens	06:30	One Planet
		01:30	The A Team	10:00	Becker	08:30	Mosk Extreme
				10:30	The Office	09:30	Fun Zone

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.  
Teletext of BTV news (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm.

## ATH 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.  
Teletext of BTV News (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm.  
Latest News (Bangla) at 9:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:00 am, 1:00 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.  
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

## BTV

10:00 Satellite Programme  
12:30 Shashiyia Tattiyia  
01:00 Laal Golap  
02:15 Sisimpur  
03:05 Anu Paromamu  
04:00 Dolon Channipa  
04:30 Prottyashar Alo  
05:50 News For Children  
06:10 Apon Bhumi  
06:35 Nriyter Taley Taley  
07:00 Programme on Liberation War  
08:45 Drama Serial: Enechhi  
09:25 Drama Serial: Atopar  
10:35 Magazine Show: Chawa Pawa

## CHANNEL i

09:45 Tritiya Matra  
10:45 Uchchhya Shikhiya  
Desh Bidesh (live)  
12:30 Aaj Dupurey O  
Chakkkhu Nai  
01:00 Ebon Cinema: Gaan  
01:25 Public Reaction  
01:30 Shangbadpotry  
Bangladesh  
03:40 Amar Channel-i  
Darshok Forum  
03:40 Channel-i viewers' forum  
04:00 Bashundhara Amador Gaan  
04:45 Sa Re Ga Ma  
05:30 Banijyo O Orthony  
06:00 Music Plus  
06:30 Star gate SG-1  
07:50 Drama: Halya  
08:25 Drama Serial: Shimana  
09:35 Drama Serial: Shampana Rangin  
10:00 Drama Serial: Aarshee

## ntv

09:30 Ki Kotla Tahar Shathro  
10:00 Grammen Phone  
Shironam  
10:05 Giamour's world  
10:30 Dhakar Cinema: Garom Hawa  
01:05 Muktaggan  
01:05 Drama Serial: Ramizer Aaina  
02:35 Closeup Tokmai  
03:15 Khujchey Bangladesh  
04:25 Tepanlorer Maltie  
04:25 Alokpat  
05:20 Shubho Shondhaya  
06:20 Right Click  
06:50 New Best Friend  
08:25 Drama serial: Ramijer Ayna  
09:10 Single Episode  
Drama: Both  
11:25 Dindarpan  
12:25 ATN BANGLA  
10:30 Anandishti  
11:05 Drama Serial: Ek Janamey  
11:40 Tele-film: Kapurush  
01:30 Musical Programme  
02:27 Muktiuddher El Diney  
02:30 Drama Serial: Ghum Poka  
03:15 Drama Serial: O Amar  
03:50 Musical Programme  
04:25 Chokkkhu Nai  
04:45 Ischani Pure Snax  
Quiz Time  
05:45 Islami Sawaal O  
Jobab (live)  
06:20 BSB Education Zone  
08:00 Drama Serial: Shukhnagar  
08:30 Drama Serial: Flat No. 40  
09:00 ATN Taroka (Music)  
09:40 Greater Dhaka Zone  
10:40 Kathamala

Highlights(T)  
Cricket Classics Close Encounters(R)

## ESPN

10:00 Pakistan Tour Of New Zealand New Zealand Vs Pakistan 4th Odi, Highlights(T)  
11:30 Yachting Swedish Match  
01:30 Nba Action(R)  
02:00 Final Score(R)  
02:30 Brazilian Football  
04:30 Fa Classic Matches  
Leeds United Vs Arsenal Fa Cup 92/93  
Round 4 Replay(T)  
06:30 Uefa Champions League  
07:30 English Premier League Highlights(T)  
08:30 Sportscenter India(L)  
20:30 Cricket Classics Indian Legends(R)  
09:30 Cricket Classics Great Indian Partnerships(R)  
10:00 Cricket Classics David: The Wall(R)  
10:30 Sportscenter Asia(S)  
11:00 Sportscenter India(R)

## STAR SPORT

9:00 International Motorsports News  
10:00 Rugby Internationals  
10:30 Rugby Internationals  
Cardiff, Wales  
12:30 English Premier Football League  
2:30 Cricket Classics Great Indian Partnerships(R)  
3:00 Spanish Football  
League Villarreal, Spain  
Villarreal Vs Barcelona(S)  
5:00 Fa Cup Fa Cup 2005/06  
Worcester, UK  
Worcester City Vs Huddersfield Town  
Round 2(S)  
7:00 Strongman Program: ring United Strongman Series 2005 Kiev, Ukraine(R)  
7:30 Gillette World Sports Special  
Gillette World Sports 2005(R)  
8:00 Cricket Classics Great Indian Partnerships(T)  
8:32 Australia Cricket Vb Series: Australia Vs South Africa 6th Odi, Highlights(R)  
10:00 Sportscenter India  
10:02 Hitz(R)  
10:30 English Premier League

## TEN SPORT

08:00 Gillette World Sport: Ep 48  
09:00 WWE Heat  
10:20 The Netjets British Polo Championship  
01:00 Quaid-e-Azam Trophy: Day 2, 1st Session  
04:00 Quaid-e-Azam Trophy: Day 2, 2nd Session  
07:30 WWE Raw  
08:30 India In West Indies  
01:00 Indias Tour of Pakistan: 13/4/1999  
11:00 Italian League Highlights