CULTURAL FEAST

Painting Exhibition

Artist: Nahid Sultana Juthi
Title: 1st Solo Oil Painting Exhibition
Venue: Auditorium of Bangladesh National Federation of the Deaf, 62, Bijoy Nagar, Dhaka
Date: July 07-21
Time: 3:00pm to 8:30pm

Film Screening

Title: Ontorjatra
Venue: British Council Auditorium
Date: Regular screening from July 07
Time: 5:00pm

35th anniversary of Diplomatic relations between Russia and Bangladesh

Photography Exhibition
Title: Summer in Russia
Venue: Vestibule, Russian Centre of Science and Culture, Dhaka
Date: July 2-16

Display of Books and Materials

Title: Dedicated to 110th birth anniversary of Russian poet Pavel G Antokolsky
Venue: Library, Russian Centre of Science and Culture, Dhaka
Date: July 2-10

Solo Theatre Photography Exhibition

Photographs by: Kamaluddin Kabir
Venue: Bengal Shilpalaya, House 275/F, Road 27 (old), Dhanmondi
Date: July 3-12

Solo Bharatanatyam Dance

Artist: Rumana Omar
Venue: Russian Centre of Science and Culture, Dhaka
Date: July 13
Time: 6:30pm

Film Screening

Title: Juliette Binoche Retrospective
Organiser: Zahir Raihan Film Society and the Alliance Francaise of Dhaka
July 06: 5:00pm Hail Mary!
6:45pm The Lovers on the Bridge
July 11: 6:00pm The Unbearable Lightness of Being
July 12: 5:00pm Wuthering Heights
7:00pm Damage
July 13: 5:00pm The Horseman on the Roof
7:15pm Three Colours : Blue
July 16: 5:00pm The English Patient
7:30pm Jet Lag
July 18: 5:00pm The Children of the Century
7:15pm The Widow of St. Pierre
July 19: 5:00pm Chocolate
7:00pm The Country of My Skull
July 20: 6:00pm Hidden

Venue: the Alliance Francaise of Dhaka, Road # 3, Dhanmondi, Dhaka-1205

Many moods of Haegum

Korean music woos audience at Shilpakala Academy

KARIM WAHEED

AS part of the cultural exchange programme between the governments of the Republic of Korea and Bangladesh, a concert featuring Kang Eun Il Haegumplus was held at National Theatre Hall, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy (BSA) on July 3.

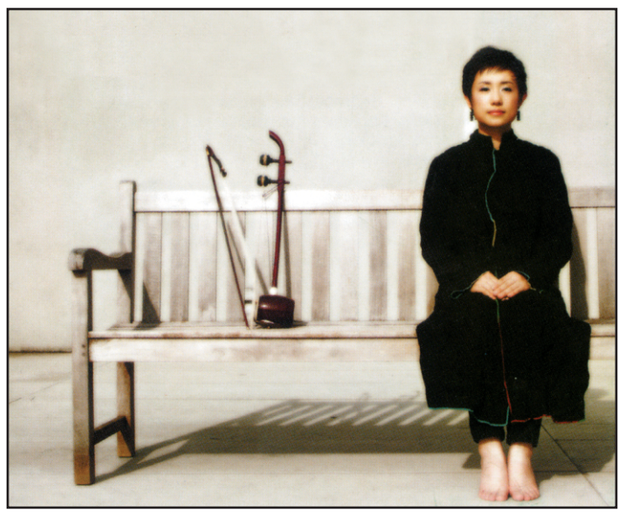
The concert highlighted fusion of traditional and contemporary Korean music where the string instrument, *haegum* played by Kang Eun Il took centre stage. Seong Ung Park, the Ambassador of the Republic of Korea and chief guest Begum Selima Rahman, State Minister for Cultural Affairs spoke at the event.

Haegum resembles a fiddle or a *sarangi*. It has a rod-like body supporting two silk strings. It is held vertically on the knee of the performer and played with a bow. Other traditional instruments *gayageum* (a zither-like instrument with 12 or more strings), *daegeum* (a large bamboo transverse flute), *sogeum* (a small flute), *piri* (a double reed instrument), *taepyungso* (a high-pitched wind instrument), percussion and contemporary instruments like keyboard, drums, acoustic and bass guitars -- conjured the apt vibes.

Kang Eun Il, one of the most notable Korean *haegum* artistes, has expanded the instrument's potential beyond the borders of traditional music through experimenting with other genres such as jazz and free music. She has performed with renowned artistes like Luciano Pavarotti and Bobby McFerrin.

The performance began with what seemed to be a popular hum-worthy Korean number featuring a youngster doing the vocals. The magic of *haegum* was yet to unravel but the rendition was uplifting nevertheless.

The next piece, *Sky Bull*, set the mood of the evening. The slow breath and rough tone of *haegum* formed a melancholy melody combined with the characteristically thick and refreshing tone of *taepyungso*. *Fade Out*, the next number, was the quintessential serene and relaxing far eastern tune. One could close his/her eyes and imagine the nirvana of a soothing breeze on a secluded tropical island. The subtle yellow and midnight blue smoky lights on the stage created a surreal ambiance.



The slumber-inducing enchantment was soon over and a fast paced happy-go-lucky number *Circus* took over the senses. The tune expressed a swing back and forth of Pierre's monocycle with whimsical sounds of wind, the excitement of tightrope walking with beats of percussion and the everyday joys and sorrows of circus-life with a dazzling display of Kang's *haegum* skills.

A surprise for the Bangladeshi audience was a rendition of the familiar Tagore song *Ei Monihaar Amaye Nahi Shajey*. According to Kang, before coming to Bangladesh, she came across the tune and was fascinated. The artiste conveyed through her translator that she would love to play with Bangladeshi musicians in future.

The highlight of the evening was a rendition of the George Gershwin classic *Summer Time*. The familiar opera number was a brilliant example of fusion, specially at the peak when the jazz-effect broke out. The audience went wild. The BSA Hall at that moment could rival the vivacity of any reputed New Orleans jazz club.

As the event was closing to its end, all one could hear was "En core!" and Kang did comply. Memories of the oft-gleeful, oft-melancholy tunes of *haegum* will linger on for days to come. Kudos to the Bangladesh Ministry of Cultural Affairs and the Embassy of the Republic of Korea for organising the event.

Kang Eun Il with her haegum (Top), the artiste (C) performs along with her group members at the concert

Loko Natyadal to celebrate silver jubilee

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

To celebrate its silver jubilee, Loko Natyadal will embark on a year-long programme that includes staging of new plays, a seminar, workshop, and a theatre festival on July 8 at Mahila Samity Auditorium, says a press release. The celebration, however, begins on July 6.

A short seminar followed by Moliere's play *Konjush* will be held at 7pm on July 8 at the auditorium. The play is translated by Tariq Anam Khan and directed by Kamrun Nur Chowdhury.

Devjhoti Sen Sharma, Zahidur Rahman Piplu, Lovely Kazi, Kamrun Nur Chowdhury, Eugene Gomez, Abdullah-al-Harun comprise the main cast.

A scene from Moliere's play *Konjush* to be staged at the theatre festival

Tushar Rohoshya

New serial on ATN with a touch of mystery

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Drama serial *Tushar Rohoshya* (Tushar's mystery), jointly directed by Kazi Jahangir and Robin Hyder Khan, is to be aired on ATN Bangla, every Wednesday at 09.30pm, beginning tonight.

The serial has a supernatural angle. The central character, Tushar moves back from US and aims to dedicate himself to social work. However, tragedy strikes and a launch capsize ends his life. His restless soul wanders the earth. Besides the mysterious central character, the serial also includes love, emotion, suspense and inspiration.

The series written by Qamrul Huda includes an impressive cast with film actress Kajal, Mukti along with TV artistes Zahid Hassan Shobhon, Tomalika Karmokar, Bannya Mirza, Mita Noor, Farzana Chhobi, Litu Anam, Shams Shumon, Kazi Jahangir and many more.

Sharif Ahmed has composed the background music with Subir Nandi rendering the title song.

Shobhon and Kajal in a scene from the TV serial

Tumi Amar Urbana

Single-episode play on Channel i

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

The single-episode comedy, *Tumi Amar Urbana* written and directed by Ejaz Munna, will be aired on Channel i on July 7 at 7:50pm.

The play revolves around a young man named Shahrukh who believes in destiny. He is in love with Esha. However, a fortune-teller tells him to marry a girl named Urbana. From then on begins Sharukh's quest to find Urbana. This poses strains in his relationship with Esha. The story unveils from this point.

The cast includes Azad Abul Kalam, Bannya Mirza, Deepa Khondokar, Shahrier, Tazin Ahmed, Sumaiya Shimu and others.

Bannya Mirza and Azad Abul Kalam play lead roles in the TV play

Chhaiyya Chhaiyya for Mets vs Yankees baseball promo

Eight years after he composed the chartbuster track for Mani Ratnam's *Dil Se*, AR Rahman's *Chhaiya Chhaiya* is still going places. Just recently the song was heard in the start and end title credits of the Denzel Washington film *Inside Man*.

Now leading sports channel EPSN, played almost the entire song *Chhaiyya Chhaiyya* during a Mets vs Yankees promo for the Sunday night baseball match between the two giants. As the commentator spoke about the two teams, one could clearly hear the song.

For those who are not so much into baseball, the song picturised on Shah Rukh Khan and Malaika Arora was played for two of the biggest and most popular baseball teams in the US at around 8:02 pm eastern time.

AR Rahman

Priyanka performs her own stunts

Post *Krrish*, Priyanka Chopra has an interesting line-up of films. Nikhil Advani's *Salaam-E-Ishq* is one of them. The actress performed her own stunts in the film. It happened so that during the schedule, a body double was hired for the scenes. But when Priyanka saw the final results, she wasn't satisfied. Even though she was running a bit late, she stayed for three extra hours in order to do the scene herself.

Priyanka Chopra

Details of the scene have not been revealed. However, if her recent release *Krrish* is anything to go by, one knows what to expect.

Source: Internet

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.**

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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.**
Telecast of BTV News (Bangla and English) at **11:30 pm.**

TARA BANGLA

News Headlines (Bangla) at **5:30 pm.7:30pm.**
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

10:00 Satellite Broadcast
12:15 *Shongbadpotrer Pata Theke*
12:30 *Shastho Tathyo*
02:15 *Sismpur*
02:40 Selected Programme
03:05 *Hijol Tomal*
03:30 *Geet Bitan*
04:00 *Protashar Alo*
04:30 *Desh O Bigyan*
05:05 World Cup-2006 Highlights
06:10 *Malanchya*
07:00 *Shushtho Thakun Bhalo Thakun*
08:35 *Protidin Bangladesh*
08:40 Drama Serial: *Shap Ludu*
10:25 *Teknaf Thekey Tetulia*
12:50 FIFA World Cup 2006(Portugal Vs France)

ATN BANGLA

10:30 *Onnodrishti*
11:05 *ATN Taroka (Gala Round)*
12:15 *Cinema Cinema*
12:50 *Ganey Shurey Tarunnye*
01:25 *Motamot*
02:30 Drama Serial: *Anondo Bedona Gantobyo*
03:15 Drama serial: *Bhalobashar Rong*
03:45 Childrens Programme
04:20 *Islam Ki Boley Amra Ki Kori*
04:45 Daily World Cup
05:10 *Shobar Jonyo*
05:45 *Islami Sawal O Jobab*
06:20 The Sword Of Tipu Sultan
08:00 Drama Serial: *Sharadin Pothchola*
08:30 Drama Serial: *Shukher Lagiya*
09:00 Drama Serial: *Hoi Hoi Roi Roi*
09:30 Drama Serial: *Tushar Rohoshyo*
10:35 Citycell Face to Face (live)

CHANNEL-i

09:30 *Shongbad Potrey Bangladesh*
09:45 Public Reaction
09:50 *Tritiyomatra*
11:05 Sports Time (Live)
12:30 *Aj Dupurey O Citycell Tarokakothon*
01:05 *Ebong Cinemar Gaan*
01:45 Public Reaction
02:40 Selected Drama
04:20 *Bashundhara Amader Gaan*
04:45 *Sa Re Ga Ma*
05:30 *Ganer Opare*
06:00 Music Plus
06:20 *Harano Shoishob Harano Swampod*
06:40 *Bishwa Cup Special*
07:50 RC Travel on
08:20 Drama Serial: *Klanto Shomoy*
09:35 Talk Show: *Aloy Bhuban Bhora*
10:00 Drama Serial: *Bela Obelar Golpo*

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08:35 *Ajker Shokal*
09:30 *Gaaner Shomoy*
10:05 Colours
10:30 Gallery
11:00 Circus Lights
12:05 *Shurer Jolsha*
01:00 *Muktangon*
02:35 Drama Serial: *Labonya Probha*
03:15 Drama Serial: *Ronger Manush*
03:50 Drama Serial: *Amader Anondo Bari*
04:25 *Tepantor Er Onushthan*
05:10 *Itihasher Ei Dine / Din Dorpon*
05:20 *Apnar Jiggasha*
06:20 *Shubho Shondhya*
06:50 Talk Show: *Ki kotha tahar Shathey*
08:25 Siddiqua Kabir's Recipe
09:10 *Kichhu Kotha Kichhu Gaan*
09:50 Drama Serial: *Amader Anondobari Faizunnesa*
10:50 Talk Show: *Prashongik*

CHANNEL 1

08:40 *Shuprovat Bangladesh*
10:00 Cartoon
10:30 Bangla Feature Film
02:00 *Nongor*
03:00 *Goalmele Germany*
03:30 Drama Serial: *Nokol Poshak*
04:30 Expression
05:00 *Zila Bulletin*
05:15 Small Ville
06:00 *Saaj Bela*
06:30 Top News
06:45 *Jonotar Ishtihar*
07:00 *Kaal Kotha*
08:15 Drama: *Roton*
09:00 Drama Serial: *Khanone Kushum Koli*
09:30 Expression
11:00 *Goalmele Germany*

BANGLAVISION

10:00 Bangla Feature Film
02:30 *Shath Shotero*
03:00 Drama Serial: *Albam*
03:30 *Cinebit*
04:00 *Desher Pothey*
04:30 Drama Serial: *Megh Rong Meye*
05:00 Cartoon
05:30 Game Show
06:25 *Diner Sheshe*
06:45 *Bishwa Cup Protidin*
08:05 Drama Serial: *Gouro Chondrika*
08:35 Bangla Vision Golden boot
09:20 *Media Bhuban*
11:25 *Din Dorpon*

Rtv

09:30 Music Concert: *Jaal*
10:00 *Aj Potrekay*
10:30 Concert
11:00 *Jibon Chharcha*
12:05 Drama Serial: *Shimul Tolir Ghat*
01:00 Human Nature
02:30 *Shoto Proshno*
03:30 Technology Today
04:10 *Swapno Diner Gaan*
05:05 *Bishwa Jurey*
06:00 *Ajker Bangladesh*
06:30 Rtv Exclusive
06:35 *Jugol Bondi*
08:00 Drama Serial: *Shimul Tolir Ghat*
08:50 *Griho Shoili*
09:20 Drama Serial: *Nawab*
09:55 Drama Serial: *Ghorchara*
11:00 Sports Round-Up

HBO

09:15 The Missing
12:00 The Addams Family
02:00 The Godfather Part III
05:30 The Perfect Husband: The Laci Peterson Story
07:15 White Chicks
09:30 Spider-Man 2
12:00 Carnivale 13: Los Moscos
01:15 House of 1000 Corpses

STAR MOVIES

09:05 For The Love Of A Child
11:00 Trauma
12:55 Substance Of Fire, The
03:00 Spy Game
05:30 Senseless
07:25 Finding Neverland
09:30 Shrek 2
11:25 Magnificent Warriors

STAR WORLD

07:30 Seinfeld
08:00 Hollywood Squares
08:30 30 Mins
09:00 The Drew Carey Show
09:30 The Oprah Winfrey Show
10:30 Criss Angel Supernatural
11:30 One Tree Hill
12:30 2005 Victoria's Secret Fashion Show
01:30 Knight Rider
02:30 The Oprah Winfrey Show
03:30 The Bold And The Beautiful
04:30 General Hospital
05:30 Ed
06:30 The Simpsons
07:00 King Of Queens
07:30 Friends
08:00 Seinfeld
08:30 Beauty And The Geek
09:30 Boston Legal
10:30 J.A.G.
11:30 Seinfeld

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

08:30 Nat Geo Junior
10:30 Amazon Claws
11:30 Is It Real?
12:30 NG Frontline Diaries
03:00 Wild Orphans
03:30 FC Barcelona Confidential
04:30 Nat Geo Junior
06:30 FC Barcelona Confidential
07:30 Hunter Hunted
08:30 Muhammad
09:30 Nat Geo Reveals
10:30 Footballer & Beauty Queen
11:30 Animals Behaving Badly!

STAR SPORTS

8:00 Tna Wrestling Programming Tna Ke Sikander(R)
9:00 Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships London; UK Day #8 High-lights(R)
10:00 Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships London; UK Ladies Singles Qf/Men's Round Of 16(R)
03:00 Tna Impact (T)
04:00 Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships London; Uk Men's/Ladies Singles Quarterfinals (L)
11:30 Sportscenter India Sportscenter Update(T)

ESPN

10:00 International Ironman Triathlon 2005 International Ironman Triathlon - Ironman Monaco Monte Carlo; Monaco (T)
11:00 Figure Skating 2006 State Farm U.S. Figure Skating St Louis; Mo Usa Pairs & Ladies Short Programs(R)
02:00 Tour De France Tour De France 2006
02:30 Champions Tour Golf Commerce Bank Championship Final Round(T)
05:00 Cricket Classics Caribbean Kings England Vs West Indies(R)
06:00 X Games Viii Classix - Bike Stunt(R)
07:00 I'd Do Anything(R)
08:00 Sportscenter Sportscenter India (L)
08:40 FIFA World Cup Programming 2006 Germany - Highlights(R)
10:00 Sportscenter Sportscenter India (R)
11:30 Germany 2006 2006 FIFA World Cup Germany (Pre Game)(L)
12:50 Semi-final of FIFA World Cup 2006 (France Vs Portugal)

TEN SPORTS

10:00 WWE: Smackdown
12:00 West Indies v India: 4th Test Day 5 Highlights
03:00 Tour De France: Stage 3
03:30 Gillette World of Sports
05:30 West Indies v India: 4th Test Day 5 Highlights
06:30 WWE: After Burn
09:30 Tour De France: Stage 4
10:00 Gamer TV

PICK OF THE DAY

Nawab Faizunnesa
On Rtv at 09:20pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Gazi Rakayet, Faria Chowdhury, Mukti

FIFA World Cup 2006
On ESPN at 12:50am (Thursday night)
France takes on Portugal at the Semi-finals
Live From Munich