

CULTURAL FEAST

Group Exhibition

Title: Contemporary 4
Artists: Ifthikar Uddin Ahmed, Kanak Chanda Chakma, Khalid Mahmud Mithu, Md Muslim Mia, Atsuko Minami, Mao Nakada, Shuzou Kumagai and Tsukiko Baba
Venue: Zainul Gallery, Institute of Fine Arts
Date: December 19-25

Paintings and Sculpture Exhibition by Young Artists

Organiser: Dots, Contemporary Art Centre
Venue: 191/A Haque Tower (2nd floor), Tejgaon-Gulshan Link Road, Gulshan
Date: December 20-30
Time: 11:00am to 8:00pm

Asian Film Mela

Organiser: Dhaka Film Society
December 25
2:30pm House of Flying Daggers
4:30pm Turn Left Turn Right
6:30pm Omkara
December 26
2:30pm Fireworks
4:30pm West Beyrouth
6:30pm Waiting for the Clouds
Venue: Alamgir Kabir Chalachchitra Kendra Milonayon, 62 Science Laboratory Road, Dhaka

Solo Classical Vocal Recital

Artist: Pandit Sarathi Chatterjee
Organiser: High Commission of India in Association with Indian Council for Cultural Relation
Venue: Osmani Memorial Hall
Date: December 24 at 6:30 pm

Theatre

500th staging of 'Kanjus'
Troupe: Loko Natyadal
Venue: National Theatre Stage, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy
Date: December 29

Dhaka Art Circle

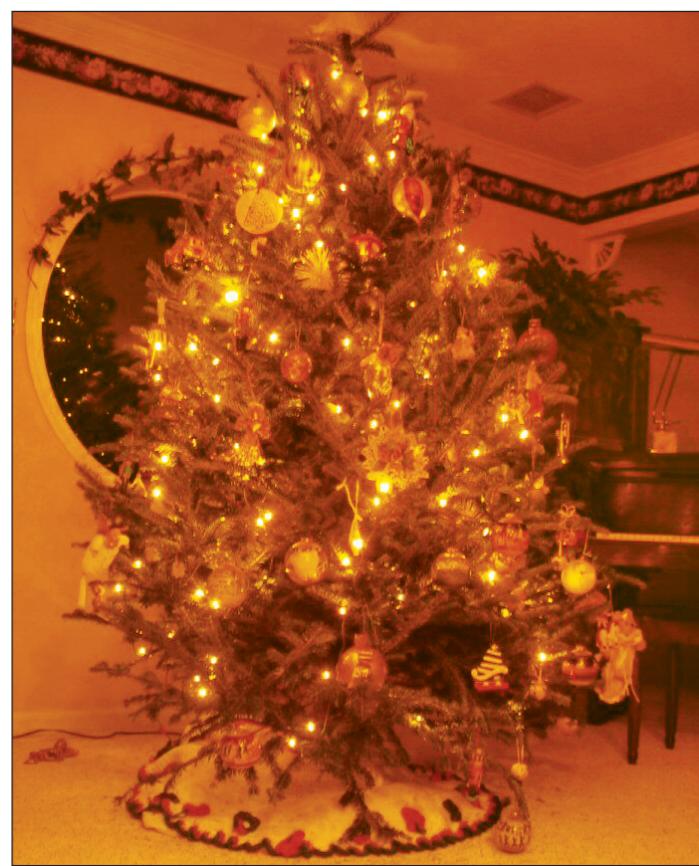
Artists: Abu Taher, Samarjit Roy Choudhury, Mohammed Mohsin, Syed Enayet Hossain, Anwarul Huq, Rejaul Karim, Biren Shome, Muttub Ali, Swapan Chowdhury, Abdus Shakoor, Chandra Shekhar Dey and Rafi Haque
Venue: Shilpangan, House 26, Road 3, Dhanmondi
Date: December 18-31
Time: 9:00am-12:00pm and 5:00pm-8:00pm, except Saturdays (only 5:00pm-8:00pm)



Joyous participants in the programme

'Tis the season to be jolly

The Christmas spirit is on



Christmas decorations on display

FAYZA HAQ

CHRISTMAS is not just a festival for countries with an overwhelming Christian population. Bangladesh too has its celebrations with goodies, gifts, Christmas trees, carolling, exchange of greeting cards and the

rest of the year-end paraphernalia.

Other highlights are midnight singing at churches, making of *pithas* (winter cakes) in rural areas, homes, hotels and other public places.

There is also the making of roast beef and chicken, with fried

potatoes, along with other sizzling veggies. Sweets and desserts in the form of *pithas* of various contents, shapes and sizes have already kept the homemakers, their children and friends busy. The aroma of delectable, piping food, like cakes, pies and other treats have made the home and hearth merry for weeks together. *Biryani* and *murg-pilau* are also musts for the table.

As for the sending of bright and cheery greeting cards with accompanying gifts, shops like Aarong, Hallmark and Archies, along with Binno and other outlets have seen young and old, flocking with glee and enthusiasm. Shops in Titakatty, New Market, Nikhet, Mohammadpur and all along Mirpur Road, as well as the far-flung area of Dhaka -- Gulshan and Uttara -- have allure buyers.



TV Watch

Christmas special 'Muktidata' on Rtv

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On the occasion of Christmas, a special programme, *Muktidata* will be aired tonight at 10.50 pm on RTV. On a chilly winter's night, Christ was born in Bethlehem. The

day is celebrated around the world. Christ came to earth as the saviour of mankind. The anchor for the programme is Priya Dias and Shibly Mohammad. The programme will show different aspects of Christmas celebrations.



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'Shahinur': A new episode of 'Ontoraler Kotha'



A scene from the serial

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The forthcoming episode of the serial *Ontoraler Kotha* is titled *Shahinur*. *Ontoraler Kotha* is a TV programme which endeavours to generate public awareness on gender violence and possible preventive measures.

The story line of the case study: The well loved Shahinur, a girl from an affluent family lives in the village Jaleshwar, Savar. Her mother is always busy with the

household work along with her only son and daughter. There are rows of mud huts and brick houses both at the back and front of their house. The family depends on the income from the house rent. Rokhsana and her husband Nazin rent a room under false pretences.

What happens next is for the viewer to discover.

Directed by Salahuddin Sanwar the serial will be aired on channel i this evening at 6:20pm.

TV GUIDE

All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the programme.

News Bulletin

BTW
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. (To be telecast on all Bangla channels).

CHANNEL-i

News (Bangla) at 7:15 am; 9:00am, 2:00pm; 7:00pm, 9:00pm, 10:30pm, 12:15am.

ATN BANGLA

News (Bangla) at 7:00 am; 10:00am; 2:00 pm; 6:15 pm; 9:30 pm.
News (English) 8:20am; 7:00pm.

Latest News (Bangla) at 9:00am; 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; 7:30pm; 10:00pm; 12:30am.

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News (Bangla) at 8:00am; 2:00pm; 6:00pm; 7:15pm; 10:30pm.

News Headlines (Bangla) at 9:00pm.

News Headlines (English) at 9:05pm.

RTV

News (Bangla) at 7:00am; 3:00pm; 7:15pm; 10:00pm.

News Headlines (Bangla) at 10:30am.

BTV

08:10 Desher Gaan
08:30 Open University
09:05 Shompati
11:15 Musical Programme
12:30 Maa O Shishur Kotha
01:30 Mati O Manush
02:15 Sisimpur
02:40 Children's Drama
03:05 Cartoon
03:30 Football Shekha
04:00 Cookery Show
04:30 Agrodut
05:05 Debate
06:10 Amader Mukti Juddho
06:40 Dolonchapa
07:00 Shafiqi Gatha
07:30 Musical Programme
08:35 Protidin Bangladesh
08:40 Chhaya Chhondo
10:30 Special Programme of Christmas

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08:35 Aajker Shokal
09:05 New Sabuj Opera
10:30 Talk Show: Anyodishiti
11:15 Prosongo Nibabon 2007
12:10 Special Programme of Christmas: Shanta Who

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09:20 Drama Serial: The New Sabuj Opera
10:30 Talk Show: Anyodishiti
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CHANNEL-i

02:30 Nirob Kosto
03:10 O Amar Chokhu Nai
03:45 Chotoder Prithibi
04:20 Prosongo Nibabon 2007
05:10 Special Programme of Christmas: Khrisito Uthnob

ATN BANGLA

05:20 Apran Jigysa
06:20 Shubho Shondha
06:45 Business Week
06:20 Aktel Protidin
08:00 Drama Serial: Labanya Probha
09:00 Koylar Chobi
08:45 Meet the Press
10:45 Shal 2006

Channel i

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CHANNEL 1

08:40 Shuprobhat
09:05 Aj Potrikai
09:10 Talk Show: Prio Mukh

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09:30 Shangbadpote

09:45 Public Reaction

09:50 Tritonmatri

10:05 Citycell Taroka Kathan

10:15 Ebong Cinemar Gaan

10:30 Shangbadpote

10:45 Public Reaction

10:45 Amader Gaan

10:45 Sa Re Ga Ma

10:50 Barijo O Orthoniti

10:50 Stargate SG One

10:50 Ontoraler Kotha

10:50 BBC Bangladesh

10:50 Shanglap

10:50 Drama Serial: Shemana

10:50 Shadha Ranger

10:50 Swapno

10:50 GrameenPhone Ajker Shaband Potro

10:50 Aajker Shokal

10:50 Ramizer Aaina

10:50 Medhabi Bangalir Golpo

10:50 Zoo Adventure

10:50 Dhorak Cinema

10:50 Muktagon

10:50 Closeup 1 Tomakei

10:50 Khichchev Bangladeshi

10:50 Shunney Boshobash

10:50 Cine Tune

10:50 Saaj Bela

10:50 Top News

10:50 Iltihsaer Path Dhorey

10:50 Shuktara

10:50 Drama Serial: Daar

10:50 Kaak

10:50 Gaaner Khata

10:50 Bioscope

10:50 Olpo Sholpo Golpo

10:50 Rtv Exclusive

10:50 Aj Potrikai

10:50 Talk Show: Prio Mukh

10:50 Shuprobhat

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