

CULTURAL FEAST

Dance programme for promising dancers

**Organiser:** Department of Dance and Music, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy  
**Venue:** Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy  
**Date:** December 28  
**Time:** 5:30pm

Solo Classical Vocal Recital

**Artist:** Pandit Sarathi Chatterjee  
**Organiser:** Bengal Foundation  
**Venue:** Bengal Shilpalaya, House no-275/F, Road no-27 (Old), Dhanmondi  
**Date:** December 28 at 6:30 pm

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

Theatre

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

Dhaka Art Circle 2006

**Artists:** Abu Taher, Samarjit Roy Choudhury, Mohammed Mohsin, Syed Enayet Hossain, Anwarul Huq, Rejaul Karim, Biren Shome, Matlub 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)

Indigenous Theatre Festival

**Play:** Kania  
**Troupe:** Sadori Theatre  
**Venue:** National Theatre Stage, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy  
**Date:** January 9  
**Time:** 7:00pm  
**Play:** Tuanya  
**Troupe:** Hor Gayan Dol  
**Venue:** National Theatre Stage, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy  
**Date:** January 10  
**Time:** 6:30pm  
**Play:** Sri Krishna Kirtan  
**Troupe:** Manipuri Theatre  
**Venue:** National Theatre Stage, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy  
**Date:** January 11  
**Time:** 6:30pm  
**Play:** Hokkani Dhonpana  
**Troupe:** Jum Aesthetic Council, Rangamati  
**Venue:** National Theatre Stage, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy  
**Date:** January 11  
**Time:** 6:30pm  
**Play:** Mangula  
**Troupe:** Palakar  
**Venue:** Experimental Theatre Stage, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy  
**Date:** January 12  
**Time:** 6:30pm  
**Play:** Rarang  
**Troupe:** Aranyak Natiyadol  
**Venue:** Experimental Theatre Stage, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy  
**Date:** January 13  
**Time:** 6:30pm

Films

Children and war under the spotlight

AHSAN HABIB

THE Children's Film Society organised a session of children's films on the Liberation War to celebrate Victory Day. The venue was the German Cultural Centre. On

December 26, city children had the opportunity to get acquainted with the history of the Liberation War through three films produced by Bangladesh Shishu Academy -- *Amra Tumader Bhulbona*, *Shorot '71* and *Kathal Burir Bagaan*. "Children learn about the history of Liberation

War from textbooks. Through imaginative cinematic techniques and ideas, more interest can be generated about the history of the War and its cultural importance. What's more, their vacations will be utilised properly," said Munira Morshed Munni, general secretary of the organisation.

*Amra Tumader Bhulbona*, directed by Harunar Rashid, is a story of war. At its centre is an orphaned child Motlub whose lost childhood prompts him to fight on the front during the Liberation War. During an operation his heroic actions lead to a victory but take his life. Many little boys often fought on the frontlines during the war like the young Motlub.

In *Shorot '71* the Liberation War is presented from a child's perspective. When the war affects children, they are made to feel like helpless victims. The physical discomfort and psychological trauma of a child under army occupation are projected in this film.

*Shorot '71*, directed by Morshedul Islam, is an important film for handling issues affecting children during the war.

*Kathal Burir Bagaan*, directed by Badol Rahman, is about the post-war situation. Even after the war ends, children are still in danger.

"While working for the session we find that children's films on Liberation War are rare. We hope everyone involved will give a hard look at this issue," said Munni.

Educational efforts such as those of the Children's Film Society go a long way in building children's awareness about an important chapter in our history.



The stark reality of war in Morshedul Islam's film *Shorot '71*

Three day programme for promising dancers

50 artistes to participate

ERSHAD KAMOL

To boost young dancers, Department of Dance and Music of Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy (BSA) has arranged a three-day programme at the plaza of National Art Gallery of BSA. ABM Abdul Haque

Chowdhury, secretary of Ministry of Cultural Affairs, inaugurated the programme on December 26 in which about 50 promising dancers from different corners of the country are participating.

The opening ceremony was presided over by Quamrul Hassan, DG of BSA. Sunil Chandra Das, director of Department of Dance and Music, delivered the welcome speech and eminent dancer Rahija Khanom Jhunu was the main discussant at the inauguration programme.

Sunil Chandra Das said, "Promoting younger artistes of the country is one of the major responsibilities of BSA. Each year BSA arranges promotional programmes for the dancers and singers. Such arrangements provide a great opportunity for the promising artistes to prove their worth. The talented dancers will be included in the cultural teams sent abroad."

Rahija Khanom Jhunu basically focused on the necessity of proper training for quality dancers.

Most of the participants are from Dhaka. On the selection process of the dancers from outside Dhaka, Dipa Khondokar an official of Department of Dance and Music pointed out that the department asked for the names of the talented dancers at the district levels from the officials of district Shilpakala academies. Dipa said, "Based on their recommendations, the artistes have been invited to perform in the programme."

Besides 11 participants from Dhaka, dancers from Barisal, Faridpur, Jamalpur, Cox's Bazar and Patuakhali performed dances on the opening day. Young artistes presented folk, Manipuri, classical and other forms of dance. However, holding of the dance programme out in the open, evoked criticism.



One of the participants at the programme

Awareness programme of Bangladesh Betar

AMINUL ISLAM, Mymensingh

A programme on 'Development of Women and Children's Activities' was organised by Bangladesh Betar, Dhaka with Abdul Aziz Talukder, Regional Director (programme) in the chair. The function, held in Mymensingh, was a part of outreach programme of Bangladesh Betar.

A cultural function, held recently at the local Shilpakala Academy, was aimed at creating awareness among the women folk and children on various common diseases, including diarrhea and sanitation through songs, *jatra pala* and skits. Eminent actors of Bangladesh Betar, BTV and cinema including Anisuzzaman Anis, Abdul Aziz Talukder, Rita Banerjee, and Farid Ali took part in the function.

Popular singers Fatema-tuz-Zohra, Rafiqul Alam, Abubakar Siddique along with Babul Sarker, Moly Akhtar, Rokshana Montaz and others performed patriotic, Tagore, Nazrul and regional songs of greater Mymensingh.

Cultural Programme on spirit of Liberation War



Artistes perform in the programme

PHOTO: STAR

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Cultural organisation Matribhumi Angikar arranged a programme titled *Swadhin Deshey Haynar Anagona* at the Rabindro Sarobar (open stage near Dhanmondi Lake) on December 26. Various cultural organisations and artistes presented songs and recitations in the programme. Other attractions of the evening: the screening of a documentary on Liberation War

titled *Nine Months to Freedom* and presentation of the documentation on Liberation War by school children, which is a part of 'out-reach programme' of Liberation War Museum.

The event began with our National Anthem. Subsequently, artistes of *Srot Abritti Shangshad* presented recitation on the spirit of freedom. Then artistes from Udichi performed songs on the Liberation War. Mamun Zahir

Khan and Borna both rendered patriotic songs. Jhorna Sarkar and Naila Taranum presented two solo recitations. Somor Barua, one of the artistes of Swadhin Bangla Betar Kendra, performed Gono Sangeet.

The event wrapped up with the main attraction of the evening, the projection of the documentary *Nine Months to Freedom*, by S Shukdev of India. Some clips of the 1971 genocide were also shown.

Art exhibition A platform for budding artists



Clockwise from top left, art works by Farjana Ahmed, Sanjay Das, Arif Haque and Nahid Rokhsana

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Sixty seven young artists, many of them students of the Institute of Fine Arts, Dhaka University, have the opportunity to display their works. On till December 30 at the DOTS Contemporary Art Centre, the exhibition showcases 100 paintings and eight sculptures.

Among the works is Farjana Ahmed's oil painting. This semi-abstract work in oil depicts what appear as flower petals against a background of brown, blue and white. Then comes Mohammad Imran brightly hued oil painting which has swirls and splashes of orange, yellow and brown.

Among the other talented artists whose paintings are exhibited at DOTS are Jashimuddin Xicon, Nrittanando Gain, Nahid

Rokhsana, Abdus Sattar Towfiq, Arif Haque and Kazi Zahid.

In the ranks of the sculptors are Uttam Kumar Ray who has fashioned an abstract sculpture which depicts figures. There is also Asif Uzzaman's sculpture which repre-

sents a tree trunk.

The exhibition gives viewers a chance to get acquainted with the works of upcoming artists in the country. Here's to more such art displays.



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. (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, 12:15 am.  
**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  
Latest News (Bangla) at 9:00 a.m, 10:00 am, 11:00 am, 1:00 pm, 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.  
**CHANNEL 1**  
News (Bangla) at 8:00am, 12:00pm, 2:30pm, 6:30pm, 7:30pm, 10:00pm, 12:30am  
**BANGLAVISION**  
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

11:15 Cookery Show  
11:40 Shotorupa  
12:30 Maa O Shishur  
01:00 Shukhi Poribar  
02:15 Children's Drama  
02:40 Esho Gaan Shikhi  
03:05 Cartoon  
04:00 Esho Computer  
04:30 Shikhi  
04:30 Bansuri  
05:05 Matri Bhasha  
06:40 Jiboner Alo  
07:00 Shangita  
08:30 Protidin Bangladesh  
08:40 Drama of the Week  
10:30 Musical Programme

ATN BANGLA

09:20 Drama Serial: Shokal  
Shondha  
10:30 Talk Show  
12:15 Bangla Feature Film  
03:45 ATN Ranna Ghar  
04:20 Shundor Jiboner Jonno  
05:10 Amader Joto Kotha  
05:45 Islamic Programme  
06:20 Aktel Protidin  
08:00 Drama Serial: Shokal Shondha  
08:40 Drama Serial: Koto Chena Koto  
Ochena  
09:20 Drama Serial: Chhaya Mukh  
12:15

CHANNEL i

09:30 Shanghabad Potre Bangladesh  
09:45 Public Reaction  
09:50 Grameen Phone

12:30 Tritiyomatra  
Citicell Tarokakothon  
01:05 Ebong Cinemar  
Gaan  
01:30 Shanghabadpotre Bangladesh  
01:45 Public Reaction  
02:40 Tritiyo Matray  
Apni  
03:05 Hridoye Mati O Manusher  
Daak  
04:30 Sa Re Ga Ma  
05:30 Bangladesh Amar  
06:00 Bangladesh  
06:20 Nirbachon'07  
07:50 Amar Chhobi  
08:30 Aktel Saaf Kotha  
09:35 BDDL Ekhon E  
Shomoy  
10:00 Drama Serial: Nishidho Bonobhumi  
12:00 Grammenphone  
Ajker  
Shangbadpotre

Rtv

08:00 Ei Shokal  
09:05 Aj Potrikay  
09:30 Shaptahik Adda  
10:00 Drama Serial: Kagojer Manush  
10:30 Tagore Song  
01:00 Aj Potrikay  
01:30 Islamic Programme  
03:40 Griho Soily  
05:10 Tagore Song  
05:30 Children's Programme  
06:00 Ajker Bangladesh  
06:35 Shoptaho Jurey  
08:00 Cookery Show  
08:50 Drama Serial: Surey  
Aka Chhobi  
10:45 Rtv Exclusive  
09:50

Channel 1



**Chhayamukh**  
On ATN Bangla at 9:20pm  
Drama Serial  
Cast: Chitrolekha Guho, Ataur Rahman

08:40 Shuprovat  
Bangladesh  
09:30 Chokh Mele Dekhi  
10:00 Cartoon  
10:30 Bangla Feature Film  
02:00 Show Case  
03:30 Drama Serial: Ghughur Basha  
04:00 Drama Serial: Kanone Kushum  
Koli  
04:30 Baker Pathrey  
05:10 Sports Star  
06:00 Sajj Bela  
06:45 Iltihasher Pathdhorey  
08:15 Drama Serial: Ghugur Basha  
09:00 Drama Serial: Kanone Kushum



**Nirbachon '07**  
On Channel i at 6:00pm  
Talk Show  
Host: Muhammad Jahangir

05:30 Diner Sheshey  
06:30 Khola Money  
08:10 Drama Serial: Dokhinayon  
09:20 Article Thirty-Nine  
08:45 Troy  
12:00 Man of the House (2005)  
02:00 The Secret of My Success  
04:15 Unforgiven  
07:00 Kicking and Screaming (2005)  
09:00 The Big Preview: Deja W  
09:30 Anacondas: The Hunt for the Blood Orchid  
11:30 Man of the House

STAR MOVIES

09:45 Air Force Two  
11:15 Sideways  
01:30 Control  
03:15 Romeo And Juliet  
05:25 Dr. Dolittle  
07:00 Spymate  
08:30 Lord Of War  
10:35 Jimmy Glick In La La Wood  
12:10 Dead Man Walking  
**STAR WORLD**  
09:30 The Oprah Winfrey Show  
11:30 Ed  
12:30 Grey's Anatomy

01:30 Law & Order: S.V.U.  
02:30 Oprah Winfrey Show  
03:30 The Bold And The Beautiful  
04:30 General Hospital  
05:30 Desire: Table For Three  
06:30 The Simpsons  
07:00 Cheers  
07:30 Friends  
08:00 Seinfeld  
08:30 Hope & Faith  
09:00 According To Jim  
09:30 The Office  
10:00 Two And A Half Men  
10:30 John & Yoko: Give Peace A Song  
11:30 Desire: Table For Three  
09:30 Kunkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan  
10:00 V Trailers - Star Plus  
11:00 Shaka Laka Boom Boom  
11:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii  
12:30 Karam Apnaa Apnaa  
01:00 Kasautii Zindagii Kay  
01:30 Kunkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan  
02:00 Bhabhi  
02:30 Kesar  
03:00 Saarthi  
03:30 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi  
04:00 Kahiin To Hoga  
04:30 Karam Apnaa Apnaa  
05:30 Krishna Kathaiyen  
06:30 Aladdin  
07:00 The Emperor's New Groove  
07:30 Golu Ke Goggles  
08:00 Baa Bahoo Aur Baby  
08:30 Antarkish  
09:00 Kasautii Zindagii Kay

09:30 Virsaat  
10:00 Karam Apnaa Apnaa  
10:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii  
11:00 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi  
11:30 Kahiin To Hoga  
12:00 Paraya Dhan  
**DISCOVERY CHANNEL**  
09:30 Secrets to Survival  
10:00 I Shouldn't Be Alive  
10:30 Junkyard Wars  
11:30 Yummy Mummy  
12:00 Runway Moms  
01:00 Best of Wild Discovery  
02:30 Detective Stories  
03:30 Beyond Tomorrow  
04:30 Best of Wild Discovery  
05:30 One Step Beyond  
06:00 How Do They Do It?  
06:30 StuntDaws  
07:00 Ultimate Cars  
07:30 Best of Wild Discovery  
08:30 Life In The Undergrowth  
09:30 Hunters  
10:30 Fastest, Tallest, Biggest  
11:30 A Haunting  
09:30 Hyenas Queen  
10:30 Secret World of Bats  
11:30 Super Croc  
01:30 No Borders  
2:30 The Living Edens  
03:30 Hyenas Queen  
04:30 Hot Science  
05:30 Big Bang  
06:00 Venom Harvest  
06:30 Hyenas Queen  
07:30 Unlamed

08:30 Megastructures  
09:30 Frontline Of Construction  
10:30 Giant Panda  
11:30 Dragons of the Namib  
**SONY**  
09:00 Telebrands Tele Shopping  
09:30 Charbusters Music  
10:00 Music Mantra Music  
10:30 Music Beats Music  
11:00 Crime Patrol Others  
12:00 Kaajjal - Sabbki Ankhon Mein Basi Drama  
12:30 Ek Ladki Anjaani Si Drama  
01:00 Thodi Khushi Thode Gham Drama  
01:30 Kulvaddhu Drama  
02:00 Risshton Ki Dor Drama  
02:30 Bigg Boss Reality Based  
03:00 Maltnee - Do Aur Do Paanch Movie  
06:30 Music Beats Music  
07:30 Charbusters Music  
08:00 Thodi Khushi Thode Gham Drama  
08:30 Kaajjal - Sabbki Ankhon Mein Basi Drama  
09:00 Kulvaddhu Drama  
09:30 Ek Ladki Anjani Si Drama  
10:00 Thodi Khushi Thode Gham Drama  
10:30 Bigg Boss Reality Based  
11:30 Vaidehi Drama  
12:00 Kaajjal - Sabbki Ankhon Mein Basi Drama