

## CULTURALFEAST

## Ikebana Exhibition



**Organiser:** Embassy of Japan & Japan Foundation  
**Title:** Ikebana Demonstration and Seminar 2007  
**Venue:** Main Auditorium & Nalinikanta Bhattachari Hall, National Museum  
**Date:** June 4-5  
**Time:** 5:30pm

## Children's Film Screening

**Title:** Sonar Kella  
**Organiser:** Children's Film Society & Goethe Institut Bangladesh  
**Venue:** German Cultural Centre, House 10, Road 9, Dhanmondi  
**Date:** May 31

## Art Exhibition

**Title:** Lines of Madness  
**Venue:** Goethe Institute Gallery  
**Date:** June 4-14  
**Time:** 10am-8pm (closed Friday and Saturday)

## Group Art Exhibition

**Title:** Chitra Mela: Art Fair 2007  
**Venue:** Shilpgram, Road 3, House 26, Dhanmondi  
**Date:** May 31-June 14  
**Time:** 10am-8pm  
**Title:** Chitral Varendra  
**Venue:** Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, House 275/F, Road 27 (old) Dhanmondi  
**Date:** May 30-June 10  
**Time:** 12pm-8pm

## Film Screening

**Organiser:** Bangladesh Federation of Film Societies  
**Venue:** Alamgir Kabir Chalachitra Kendro, 62, Science Laboratory  
**Date:** June 2  
4:30pm Nironitor  
6:30pm Shonkhonad

## Theatre

**Troupe:** Bongorong Natyadol  
**Title:** Unmochon  
**Venue:** Mahila Shomity Auditorium  
**Date:** June 3  
**Time:** 7:00pm  
**Organiser:** Theatre School  
**Title:** Shornishtha  
**Venue:** National Theatre Stage  
**Date:** June 2  
**Time:** 6:30pm

## View from Varendra

## Group exhibition at Bengal Gallery

## FAYZA HAQ

THE ongoing exhibition "Chitral Varendra" at Bengal Gallery features artists from Rajshahi. Despite their differences in style, the eight artists are aware of the changes in the international art scene, and are sensitive as well as dynamic in their work – be it in chalk and paper, canvas or sculpture. The artists include Golam Farouq Bebul, Siddhartha Talukder, Hritendra Kumar Sharma, Zahid Hossain, Azadi Parvin, Amirul Momanin Chowdhury, Mostafa Sharif Anowar and Naznin Akhter Lata.

Speaking to some of the artists present at a press conference, one learns about their background and style. Golam Farouq Bebul said that he loves to work with nature. This is what inspires and soothes him. Working with acrylic, he follows ideas of his teachers Mohammed Kibria, Shafuddin Ahmed and Abul Barq Alvi. Paul Klee and Marc Rothko are among his favourite artists from the west. Bebul also admires works of the Indian artist Ganesh Pyne. For the exhibition he has worked with acrylic "as it has a large scope in bringing gradation in tones. Moreover it dries quickly and has more longevity than oil in a climate like ours," as he puts it. In his paintings he shows broken huts, experimenting with lines, forms and tones. "I haven't done a portrait but the houses depict the difficult lives of many in our country," says Bebul, who is an associate professor at the Department of Fine Arts, Rajshahi University (RU).

Zahid Hossain, who studied at Institute of Fine Arts (IFA), had Aminal Islam, Qayyum Chowdhury, Samarjit Roy Chowdhury and Rafiqun Nabi as his teachers. His work is semi-abstract, in mixed media. He has shown nature with its fauna and flora, and brought in human figures too. One of his paintings shows a woman with a child, as well as flowers – in the shape of a



An artwork in charcoal by Hritendra Kumar Sharma (top) and Novera, a stonework, by Mostafa Sharif Anowar

shora. He has used bright colours as he feels that he can best express his feelings and thoughts through them.

Hritendra Kumar Sharma's favourite medium is charcoal. He has a fascination for creations in black and white, after having seen Satyajit Ray's film "Pather Panchali". Hritendra has repeatedly used the horse as a symbol of energy and struggle. One of his drawings has a galloping horse with a man lying on the ground in front of it, along with a looming shadow. He is influenced by Rafiqun Nabi and Qayyum Chowdhury and says he prefers to do most of his work at night.

Amirul Momanin Chowdhury has brought in woodcut prints. He had the studied printmaking, which he found interesting. He brings in a quaint world of reality and imagination in the series, "Nuhash and the Aliens". He plays with the forms of owls, flowers, the moon and a wide-eyed on-looking child.

The exhibition, which ends on 10th June, demonstrates the prowess of the artists from the Varendra region quite effectively.



## Cultural programme by Autism Welfare Foundation

## MAINUL HASSAN

Autism Welfare Foundation (AWF), an organisation working for the well-being of autistic children, celebrated their third anniversary with a cultural programme on May 31 at Shawkat Osman Memorial Auditorium, Central Public Library.

AWF was established on April 4, 2005.

The event started with a discussion. Chief guest at the programme was Tapas Chowdhury, adviser to the caretaker government. Dr. Rowan Hafiz, chairperson of AWF presided over the session.

Speaking on autism Dr. Rowan Hafiz said, "Autism is still a rather unfamiliar issue in our country and we hardly find anyone, except for the parents of autistic children, concerned about the problem."



Students and teachers of Kanan perform at the programme

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 8:55am; 12:10pm; 2:00pm; 3:00pm; 4:00pm; 7:00pm.  
News (Bangla) at 8:00am; 1:00pm; 5:00pm; 8:00pm.  
News (English) at 3:00pm; 10:00pm.  
Late Night News (Bangla and English) 11:30pm. (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, 12:15pm.

## ATN BANGLA

News (Bangla) at 7:00 am; 10:00am, 2:00pm; 7:00pm; 10:00pm, 11pm.

News (English) 8:20am; 7:00pm.

Latest News (Bangla) at 9:00am; 10:00am, 11:00 am; 1:00pm; 3:00pm, 4:00pm; 6:00pm and 8:00pm.

## CHANNEL 1

News (Bangla) at 8:00am, 12:00pm, 2:30pm, 6:30pm, 7:30pm, 10:00pm, 12:30pm.

## BANGLAVISION

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

News Headlines (Bangla) at 10:00am; 12:00am; 4:00pm.

News Headlines (English) at 8:05pm.

## Rtv

News (Bangla) at 10:15pm, and 12:15am.

## BTV

11:15 Musical Programme

11:40 Shukh Porbar

12:05 Selected Programme

12:30 Mati O Manush

01:30 Maa O Shishur

02:15 Sisimpur

02:40 Bangla Feature Film

05:05 Nobo Anondoy Jago

06:10 Ocean Girl

06:40 Matri Basha

07:00 Loukik Bangla

07:30 Shobor Jonno

08:35 Talk Show

09:00 Drama: Koshti

10:30 Musical Programme

11:30 Talk Show: Aktel

11:40 Onnordroshi

11:05 Durniti Mukto

11:40 Muktijudho Protidin

11:40 Orthorini

12:15 Shurer Madhuri

12:45 Shathdin

01:30 Prio Chhobi

03:45 Shobor Jonno

04:20 Sheesh Okhor

05:00 Gman Gorjon Khorob

05:30 Talk show:

GrammenPhone

Nari O Rajniti

06:20 Gondhara Samsung

Cine Aha

08:00 Mega Serial: The New Sobuj Opera

08:40 Mega Serial: Laal Neel Beguni

09:20 Mega Serial: Ek Jonomey

## Channel i

09:30 Shangbadpote

Bangladesh

09:45 Public Reaction

09:50 GrameenPhone

Kotha

01:05 Na Bola Kotha

12:30 Citycell Taroka

Kathan

01:05 Ebong Cinemar

Gaan

01:30 Shangbadpote

Bangladesh

01:45 Public Reaction

02:40 Talk Show: Budget

03:05 Dhaka Guide

04:05 Educational

Programme

04:40 Shoyer Shondhaney

05:30 Muktijudho Protidin

06:00 Harano Shishob

Harano Shompol

06:20 Amar Banglades

Mega Serial: Bhaber

07:50 Haat

09:35 Hridoye Mati O Manush

10:00 Drama Serial: Rang Mahol

12:00 GrameenPhone

Ajker Sharban Potro

08:00 Rudo O Rodela

07:00 Shurela Lagan

Bairey

05:40 Diner Sheshey

06:35 Music Moment

08:15 Drama Serial: Shesh

09:30 Shondhikhoney

Chitrogeeti

09:45 Drama Serial: Polatok

09:50 Odhay

09:15 Drama Serial: Asharey

09:25 Amar Ami

09:30 Bachelor Dompoti

09:45 Talk Show: Law and Development

09:50 Chitrogeeti

10:00 Star Wars: Ep. I - The Phantom Menace

10:10 Star Wars: Ep. II - Star Wars: Episode II - Attack of the Clones

10:20 Star Wars: Ep. III - Revenge of the Sith

10:30 Star Wars: Ep. IV - A New Hope

10:40 Star Wars: Ep. V - The Empire Strikes Back

10:50 Star Wars: Ep. VI - Return of the Jedi

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