

CULTURALFEAST

Fete de la Musique

Organiser: Alliance Francaise de Dacca
Venue: Alliance Francaise, 26, Mirpur Road, Dhanmondi

Date: June 25

Time: 6:00pm

Artiste: Anup Barua

Date: June 26

Time: 6:00pm

Artistes: Chorale

Date: June 27

Time: 6:00pm

Artistes: Nityam Nityasheelon Kendro

Date: June 29

Time: 6:00pm

Artiste: Ecole de danse

Date: June 30

Time: 6:00pm

Artiste: Ecole de musique

Mask Exhibition

Organiser: Department of Fine Art and Prakritajon Projonmo
Venue: Art Club Bangladesh, House No. 4, Road No. 104, Gulshan 2
Date: June 25-29

National Art Exhibition

Venue: National Art Gallery, Shilpakala Academy
Date: June 17 to July 16
Organiser: Department of Art, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy

Children's Theatre Festival

Organiser: Rakhal
Venue: Shawkot Osman Memorial Auditorium, Central Public Library
Date: June 25
Time: 4:30pm
Title: Shonar Chander Buri
Troupe: Sishu Theatre, Chandpur
Time: 5:15pm
Title: Beder Meye
Troupe: Chander Hat Children's Theatre, Patuakhali
Time: 6:00pm
Title: Charar Deshey
Troupe: Sayestaganj Little Theatre, Habiganj
Time: 6:45pm
Title: Pagla Dashu O Jatin-er Juta
Troupe: Bibartan, Jessore
Time: 7:30pm
Title: Ajob Rajyer Kandakarkhana
Troupe: Nagarik Natyangan Children's Ensemble, Dhaka

Art Exhibition

Artist: Bipul Shah
Title: Journey with Wreckage
Venue: Galleri Kaya
House 20, Road 16, Sector 4, Uttara
Date: June 21-July 4
Time: 11am-8pm

Group Art Exhibition

Title: Thoh Shun
Venue: Dance and Music Teaching Centre, House 24, Road 2, Dhanmondi
Date: June 22-26
Time: 11am-8pm

Fete de la Musique '07 begins at Alliance Francaise



Abdul Ali Boyati (C), along with son Mohammad Lokman (R) and daughter Rozina Akhter perform at the programme

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

ALLIANCE Francaise de Dacca is celebrating the World Music Festival, which started from June 21. The festival titled "Fete de la Musique 2007"

features various genres of Bengali music performed by noted and upcoming artistes. Two musical programmes took place at Alliance Francaise's newly renovated auditorium on June 23.

In the first session visually

impaired folk singer Abdul Ali Boyati, his son Mohammad Lokman and daughter Rozina Akhter presented songs of the bards - Lalon, Hason Raja, Shah Abdul Karim - as well as some Sylheti folk tunes.

Abdul Ali Boyati started with

Shafayat-er kandari and Kemney kartam karmo dharmo, an original composition. Renditions of Ganga buri and Ekta ghar bhanga ghora by Boyati's son Lokman followed. Lokman also sang popular Baul and Lalon songs Fakir holey kisher dukkho, Nodir kuler lagi ami kandi, Dhum cholechhe becha kena and more.

Rozina rendered Hason Raja's Lokey boley and other songs including Amar shonar moina pakhi and Fandey poria boga kandey re.

The second session in the evening featured Tagore, adhunik and folk songs rendered by upcoming singer Nargis Rahman.

Nargis sang Tagore songs Mon-e robey kina robey amarey, Esho nipaboney, Phuley phuley; adhunik songs Tomar akash duti chokhey, Chinechhi chinechhi tomare and popular folk songs Barir manush koi, Krisna aila Radhar kunje and more.

"Fete de la Musique", also known as World Music Day was conceived by French Music and Dance director Maurice Fleuret for the Ministry of Culture in 1981 and first took place in 1982. It is now celebrated all over the world, as well as in Bangladesh.

"Fete de la Musique 2007" will continue till June 30. Radio Foorti is the media partner of the festival.

Children's Theatre Festival '07 "Mangal Desh": A sci-fi take on global crises

MAINUL HASSAN

On the eighth day (June 23) of the ongoing Children's Theatre Festival at Shaokat Osman Memorial Auditorium, Central Public Library, Kishore Theatre (Dhaka) staged Mangal Desh. The play is based on a science fiction story written by Hanif Khan, who is also the director of the play.

Mangal Desh is set in the year 2017, supposedly a troubled time for the human civilisation as the super powers have decided to engage in a "war to the end" for world domination. With World War III knocking on the door, three

scientists come up with a solution to save mankind. They plan to build a spaceship, go to Mars and settle there through establishing a human colony. They decide to take a pair of children - a boy and a girl - from every nation. After learning about the plan, other scientists join then.

As planned, the scientists along with the children, start the long journey towards Mars in two space-ships.

The play, though intended for and staged by children and adolescents, addresses the intimidating future of the ongoing global crises.

The festival ends on June 29.



Young actors of Kishor Theatre in the play Mangal Desh

Movie Watch

"La Vie En Rose": Moving biopic of a French national icon



Marion Cotillard as Edith Piaf in the film

As recent biopics like Ray and Walk The Line have attested, the path to musical stardom is usually paved with rags before riches, and so it goes that Olivier Dahan's sizeable biopic of French singer Edith Piaf is not shy of a poor-girl-turned-diva plot. Piaf (which translates as 'sparrow') lived a colourful, hectic life and Dahan has created a film to reflect this, but his fractured portrait of the singer is centred by some glorious samples of her music and a sterling central performance from Marion Cotillard.

Piaf was homeless from a young age, adopted by prostitutes and took to singing for her supper in her teens before she was spotted by a night-club impresario. In her scant 47 years she crammed in so much, reaching dizzying heights of stardom in France, before becoming addicted to morphine and wasting into a tiny

hunched figure before her untimely death. La Vie En Rose hits all the melodrama plot points in its disordered telling of Piaf's tale, a cast of characters swirling around the tiny epicentre that is Piaf and her overwhelming drive to sing.

Cotillard is stunning as Piaf, convincingly assimilating the musician's looks and poise, lip synching to Piaf's songs like the woman herself. She also ages remarkably, there's not a whiff of pantomime dame in her 'elderly' make up.

La Vie En Rose succeeds in telling an involving and moving version of Piaf's life, giving the audience reasons why she told such a story of heartbreak and defiance through her music.

Source: BBC

Shanghai International Film Festival "Swapnodanay" and Golam Rabbany Biplob awarded



Mahmuddazzaman Babu and Rokeya Prachy in Swapnodanay

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Bangladeshi film Swapnodanay has been honoured at the Shanghai International Film Festival. For the film, Golam Rabbani Biplob has won the Best Director Award in "Asian New Talent" category. Impress Telefilm Ltd -- producer of

the film -- and Rabbany have received a crest and USD 20,000 at the festival. Impress Telefilm Ltd will receive an amount of BDT 30 lakh if they shoot a film in China.

Swapnodanay was screened at the Grand Theatre in Shanghai on June 22, as part of the festival.

Rabbany and Faridur Reza Shagor, managing director of Impress Telefilm Ltd and Channel i, received the award at the festival.

Mahmuddazzaman Babu, Rokeya Prachy and Fazlur Rahman Babu have played the lead roles in Swapnodanay.

Anima Mukti sings at the "Lalon Gaaner Mela" arranged by cultural organisation Protisrishti at Isfandiar Zahid Hasan Auditorium, Biswa Sahitya Kendra on June 23. Kalpana Rajbongshi, Rabeya Basri Borsha, Surovi Jasmine, Baul Babul Sarkar and Pagla Babul also rendered popular Lalon songs at the programme



Sadi Muhammad performs at a fundraising concert at the main auditorium, National Museum on June 23. The programme titled Korunadharay Esho was organised by Robiraag to raise funds for the treatment of Makhon Hawladar, a member of the organisation

ON AIR

PICK OF THE DAY



Kobi On Channel-i at 9:35pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Apurbo, Shadhin Khosru



Godsend On Star Movies at 7:00pm
Genre: Thriller
Cast: Robert De Niro, Greg Kinnear

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, 1:00pm, 3:00 pm, 4:00pm, 6:00 pm and 8:00pm.
CHANNEL 1
News (Bangla) at 8:00am, 12:00pm, 2:30pm, 7:15pm, 10:30pm, 12:30am
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
ntv
News (Bangla): 7:30am, 12:02pm, 2:00pm, 7:30pm, 10:30pm, 1:00am
ETV
News (Bangla): 1:00pm, 3:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:00pm, 11:00pm

BTV
08:45 Bishwa Bichitra
11:15 Musical Programme
12:00 Maa O Shishur Kotha
12:30 Selected Programme
01:00 Mati O Manush
01:30 Shukhi Ponbar
02:15 Sisimpur
02:40 Desher Gaan
03:05 Cartoon
03:30 Musical Programme: Dolon Champa
04:00 Anu Porumanu
04:30 Agrodut
05:05 Debate
06:10 Grontho Kothon
06:40 Selected Programme
07:00 Apon Bhumi
07:30 Drupadi
08:30 Protidin Bangladesh
08:35 Musical Programme: Chhayachondo
09:00 Talkshow
10:30 Kori O Kamol
ATN Bangla
10:30 Talk Show: AKTEL
Ongodishti
11:15 Mega Serial: Ek Jonomey
12:10 Mota Mot
01:25 Cholo Chitrer Golpo
02:30 Drama Serial: Nirob Kosto
03:15 Drama Serial: O Amar Chokhu Nai
03:45 Chhotoder Prithibi
04:20 Shomali Din
05:10 Shushutho Thakun
05:45 Business week
06:20 Ashheyapasher Manush
08:00 Drama Serial: Kath Koylar Chhobi
08:45 Meet the press
11:30 Uttar Onnesha
12:00 Grameenphone Lead News
CHANNEL-i
09:30 Shongbad Potrey Bangladesh

09:45 Public Reaction
09:50 Grameenphone Tritiyomatra
11:05 Educational Programme
12:30 Citycell Tarokakothon
01:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan
01:30 Shangbad Potrey Bangladesh
01:45 Public Reaction
02:40 Mega Serial: Priobash
03:05 Banijo O Orthoniti
04:30 FCT Business Talk
04:50 Sa Re Ga Ma
05:30 Mukti Juddho Protidin
06:00 Stargate SG one
06:20 Antoraler Kotha
06:40 Business Show
07:50 Special Programme
09:35 Drama Serial: Kobi
10:00 Drama Serial: Shesh Theke Shuru
11:30 Ekanyo Barti
12:00 Grameenphone Aijker Shangbadpotro
ntv
08:55 Drama Serial: Shanto Kutir
09:30 Ogrozo
10:05 Zoo Adventure
10:30 Saaj Ghor
11:00 Shiray Shonitoy
11:30 World of Arts
12:10 Ei Shomoy
01:05 Japan Video Topic
02:30 Shanto Kutir
03:15 Kichhu Kotha Kichhu Gaan
03:50 Bhalobasha Mondobasha
04:25 Bhinyo Swader Khorbor
04:50 Apnar Jigyasha
05:30 Gaaner Mala
06:20 Shubho Shondhya
06:45 Khorborer Shondhyane
08:15 Drama Serial: Chokkor
08:50 Music Express
09:45 Drama Serial: Bhalobasha Mondobasha

11:30 Ei Shomoy
RTV
09:00 Rtv Exclusive
09:05 Aj Potrikay
10:00 Tagore Song
10:30 Shopaho Jurey
12:00 Drama Serial: Biyer Golpo
01:00 Antorango Alap
01:30 Aj Potrikay
03:45 Drama Serial: Raat Jaga Pekhi
04:20 Tagore Song: Tomar Beena Tarer Geeti
05:10 Jibon Chorchha
06:35 Cinema Ar Cinema
08:00 Drama Serial: Biyer Golpo
08:40 Look at Me

10:45 Rtv Exclusive
10:50 Heart Beat
ETV
08:30 Aijker Potrikay
01:30 Drishti
03:30 Chirontoni
04:00 Shotabdir Alo
04:30 Dhinak Dhinak Ta Gaanwala
05:30 Desh Jurey Caal Chitro
07:30 Drama Serial: Hiltu
09:15 Ekusher Shomoy
10:00 Drama Serial: Bondhon
10:30 Musical Programme: Spondon
Channel 1
09:30 Chokh Mele Dekhi
10:30 Bangla Feature Film
12:00 Music Music

03:30 Drama: Nitro Nijoney
05:15 Cine Zone
06:00 Saaj Bela
06:45 Ilithasher Path Dhore
07:00 Shuklara
08:15 Drama Serial: Keu Kacchey Kau Durey
09:00 Gaaner Khata
09:30 Bioscope
11:00 Stop n Rock
BANGLAVISION
08:35 Shubho Shokal
09:05 Agamir Kontho
10:10 Article Thirty-Nine
11:10 Sports Vision
11:40 Amar Ami
02:40 Apnar Agami
03:10 Drama Serial: Swapno Chura
05:00 Drama Serial: Tarik Ali Hadari
05:40 Diner Sheshey
06:35 Amader Ranna Ghar
08:15 Desher Pathay
08:55 Drama
09:30 Documentary Programme
01:00 Daily News
01:25 Talk Show: Bangladesh and Me
02:00 Drama Serial: Nijhum Dwiper Bolaka
03:30 Documentary Programme: Jai Dike Takai
04:00 Game Show: Campus Challenger
05:00 Cartoon
05:30 Documentary

06:00 Programme
07:15 Tagore Song
09:15 Talk Show
09:15 Drama
09:45 Musical Programme
STAR PLUS
10:30 Aladdin
12:00 Hatim
01:00 Kasauti Zindagi Kay
01:30 Kunkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan
02:00 Bhabhi
02:30 Karam Apnaa Apnaa
03:00 Saarrthi
04:00 Kayamathi
04:30 Aek Chabhi Hai Padoss Mein
05:30 V Trailers - Star Plus
06:30 Meri Awaz Ko Mil Gayi Roshni
07:30 Prithviraj Chauhan
08:00 Antakshari - The Gr8 Kids Spl
09:00 Kasauti Zindagi Kay
09:30 Meri Awaz Ko Mil Gayi Roshni
10:00 Kasturi
10:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Ki
11:00 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi
STAR WORLD
10:30 Arrested Development
11:00 8 Simple Rules
12:00 Malcolm In The Middle
12:30 Koffee With Karan
01:30 Law & Order: S.V.U.
02:30 The Ellen Degeneres Show
03:30 The Bold And The Beautiful
04:30 General Hospital
05:00 Third Watch
06:00 Scrubs
06:30 The Simpsons
07:30 My Wife And Kids
08:30 That '70s Show
09:30 Grounded For Life
10:30 Yes Dear
11:00 Psych

11:30 Seinfeld
STAR MOVIES
09:30 Snow Falling On Cedars
11:45 Star Wars: Ep. I - The Phantom Menace
02:00 Imaginary Heroes
03:50 Dream For An Insomniac
05:30 The All-Together
07:00 Godsend
08:45 Ginger Snaps Back: The Beginning
10:30 Excess Baggage
12:15 The All-Together
HISTORY CHANNEL
12:30 Beatles
02:00 Lost In Bermuda Triangle
03:00 Winston Churchill
03:30 Oskar Schindler
04:30 Terror Strikes Moscow
05:30 Tactical to Practical
06:30 Affair With Married Woman
07:30 UFO Hot Spots
08:30 Inside Soviet Military Machine
09:30 Rifles
10:30 Flying Tigers
11:30 Spree Killings
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC
11:30 Pompeii Uncovered
12:00 Road Warriors
02:30 Keno, Mentor, Prince
03:30 Big Cats
04:30 Mad Labs
05:00 The Boas Of Belize
05:30 Backyard Science
06:00 Radar Crops
06:30 Nat Geo Amazing Moments
07:30 The Megafalls Of Iguacu
08:30 Crash On The Mountain
09:30 Chicago Air Crash
10:30 Amazing Moments

11:30 Rated W/
DISCOVERY CHANNEL
11:30 How Do They Do It?
12:00 Million 2 One
12:30 Yummy Mummy
01:00 Runway Moms
01:30 Raw Nature
02:30 Discovery Showcase
03:30 Popular Mechanics for Kids
04:00 Earth Science for Children
04:30 Extreme Wild
05:30 Wild Safari
06:30 Extreme Machines
07:30 Extreme Wild
08:30 Colours of India
09:30 Future Weapons
10:30 Man Made Marvels
ESPN
11:00 Grand Prix Tournament, Berlin Ma
01:00 2007 Marshall's Us Figure Skatin
03:30 Nba Action
03:30 Iowa Indy
06:00 Ashes Heroes
06:30 Latin X Games
07:30 Caribbean Kings

FM radio
Radio Foorti
07:00am Hello Dhaka (Apu)
11:00am Amar 98.4 (Nusrat)
03:00pm Dhaka Calling (Sakib)
07:00pm Seven Eleven (Sadia)
11:00pm Late Night Show (Shuvo)
03:00am Back to Back music