

In conversation with Tariq Julfiker

Winner of Honourable Mention Award at National Art Biennale

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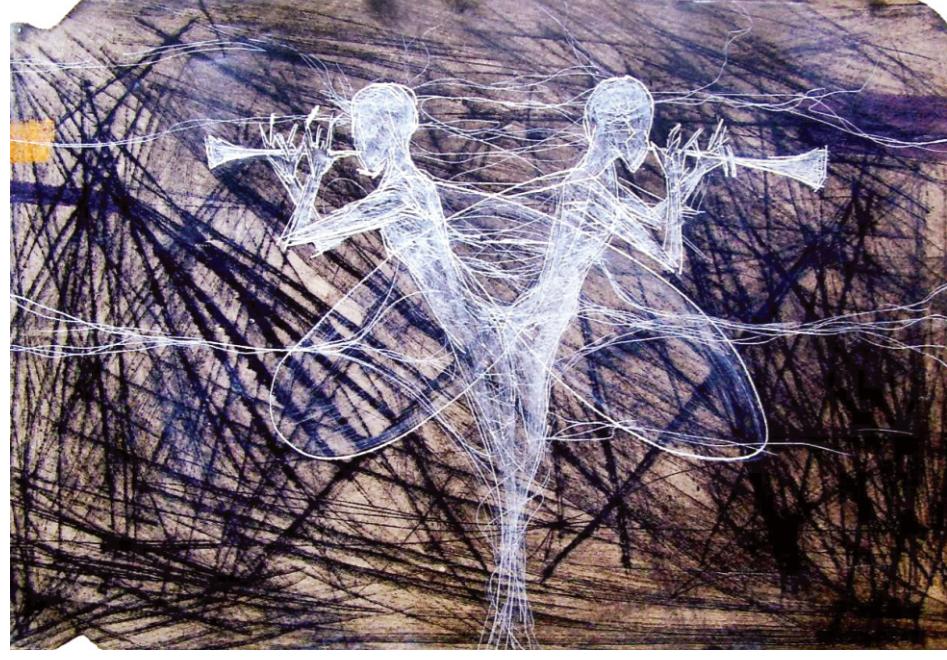
TARIQ Julfiker is one of the three winners of Honourable Mention Awards at the 17th National Art Biennale '07, arranged by the Department of Fine Arts, Bangladesh Shilpkala Academy. He won the award for his intaglio-based (a printmaking technique with an incised image) work *Simulacrum 2*.

After receiving the award, the enthusiastic young artist said, "This was my first participation at a grand exhibition and competition. I submitted three pieces from my *Simulacrum* series at the competition."

On his work Tariq Julfiker said that both

medium and content of the *Simulacrum* series are innovative. To quote him, "I've used plastic plate for printmaking. In traditional printmaking process, artists mostly use either carved wood or acid burnt metal plate. It's true that these days quite a few artists use plastic plates for printmaking, but my presentation is different from others. Creating an etching effect is the unique feature of my prints."

On the theme of *Simulacrum*, Tariq said, "I'm fascinated by modern French social theorist Jean Baudrillard's concept of 'simulacrum' -- an representation without the substance or qualities of the original. Baudrillard argued that a simulacrum is



Simulacrum 2 -- the award-winning artwork, the artist (top-right)

not a copy of the real, but becomes truth in its own right: The hyper-real. To me, the contemporary society is the copy of an ancient society; only the positive qualities are missing. Which is why, I think the society has lost its stability. I've tried to depict the unstable contemporary world through black fragile lines on a blue background. I believe that compassionate leaders can change the society. The two white figures playing flute represents the leaders in *Simulacrum 2*."

Julfiker likes to do experimental works based on different philosophies. Earlier he participated in group exhibitions featuring "Dadaism" and deconstruction based works.

Julfiker completed his Bachelors degree from Rajshahi University and did his MFA in printmaking from UODA, Dhaka.

Primarily a printmaker, Julfiker also works in other mediums to develop his colour composition sense. He is influenced by seasoned artist Shafuddin Ahmed and the representatives of Dadaism.

On his future plan Tariq Julfiker informs that he wants to use modern technology to create innovative printmaking.

Bangladesh Shilpkala Academy honours seven artistes

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh Shilpkala Academy honoured seven artistes on June 28, for their contribution to the fields of music and dance. Each artiste received a crest and BDT 10,000.

Organised by the Department of Music and Dance of the academy, the award giving ceremony was held at the National Music and Dance Centre Auditorium.

The recipients of the awards are: Syed Zakir Hossain (classical music), Md. Shamsul Haq (instrumental music), Md. Golam Mostafa Khan (dance), MA Mannan (Nazrul songs), Md. Ali Siddiqui (adhrunik songs), Nadira Begum (folk songs) and Ifat Ara Dewan (Tagore songs).

A.B.M Abdul Hawk Chowdhury, secretary to the Ministry of Cultural Affairs was present as the chief guest. Samar Pal, director general of National Museum, was the special guest. The event was presided over by Quamrul Hassan ndc, director general of the Bangladesh Shilpkala Academy. Sunil Chandra Das, director of the Department of Music and Dance, delivered the welcome speech.

The event ended with a musical soiree by the artistes of Bangladesh Shilpkala Academy.



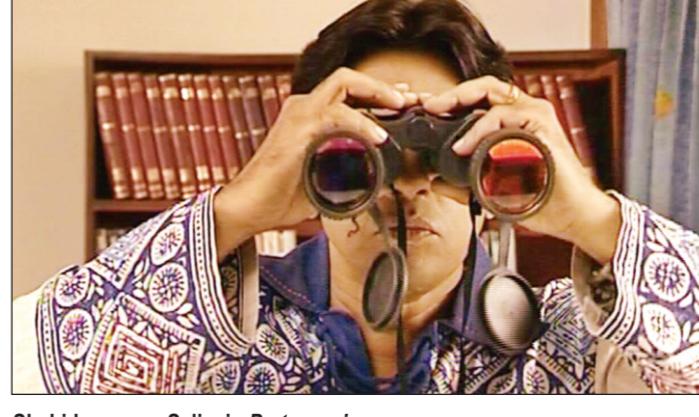
(L-R) Syed Zakir Hossain, Md. Ali Siddiqui, Md. Golam Mostafa Khan, MA Mannan, Nadira Begum, Md. Shamsul Haq, and Ifat Ara Dewan at the programme

"Pratnonari" on Ekushey Television tonight

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Ekushey Television is currently airing the 13-episode TV serial *Pratnonari* on Saturdays at 8:00pm.

The story revolves around Sajed. Sajed loves a girl but she does not reciprocate. The story takes a dramatic turn when the object of Sajed's affection dies in an accident. The tragedy makes a serious impact on Sajed and he sets out on a journey through the country. One day while walking through the woods, Sajed comes across an image of a flying woman carved on terracotta. Every night the image comes to life and keeps him company. Sajed's



Shahiduzzaman Selim in *Pratnonari*

"Pratnonari" remains very much "real" to him but people around him start questioning his sanity.

Pratnonari is written by Selim Al Deen and directed by Shahiduzzaman Selim and Rafi Hossain. Director Shahiduzzaman Selim said that the making of *Pratnonari* is quite different from other TV serials. For one, the protagonists in the play introduce themselves.

Masud Ali Khan, Dilara Zaman, Shahiduzzaman Selim, Rosey Siddiqui, Sumaiya Shimu, Farah Ruma, Chandan and Shovon play the key roles.

Buzz

Spice Girls reunite for world tour

The Spice Girls -- Britain's all-girl band phenomenon of the 1990s -- announced last Thursday that they were planning a new album and a world tour later this year.

The group, which includes Victoria Beckham, made the comeback announcement at a news conference in London, saying it was their way of "saying thank you" to their fans.

Beckham (Posh Spice), Geri Halliwell (Ginger Spice), Mel Brown (Scary Spice), Mel Chisholm (Sporty Spice) and Emma Bunton (Baby Spice) first exploded on to the pop scene in the mid-1990s with their first single, *Wannabe*.

The "girl power" band, which split up in 2001, has sold more than 55 million records. They are in their 30s now.

Geri Halliwell, who prompted the split by walking out in 1998, confirmed that the reunion is not going to be for good. "This is going to be a one-night stand," she said.

Mel C, who had vowed "never" to take part in a reunion, said: "A girl's allowed to change her mind." The girls promised to sing all their hits during the 11-dates tour of six continents, kicking off in Los Angeles on December 7.

After Las Vegas and New York, they will stage concerts in London, Cologne, Madrid, Beijing, Hong Kong, Sydney, Cape Town and Buenos Aires. A greatest hits album would be released before Christmas, they announced.

loured by a string of number ones, with songs like *Say You'll Be There*, and *2 Become 1*.

Their debut album, *Spice*, made them the fastest-selling British act since the Beatles, and the band -- particularly Geri Halliwell's Union flag dress -- epitomised Cool Britannia in the aftermath of Labour's 1997 election victory.

Source: Internet



The Spice Girls pose for the media as they arrive at the Greenwich Royal Observatory in London on June 28

ON AIR

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, 12:15am.

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 am, 10:00 am, 11:00 am, 1:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 4:00pm, 6:00 pm and 8:00 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 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

11:15 Musical Programme
11:40 Shukhi Porbar
12:05 Drama Serial:
12:30 Mati O Manush
01:00 Bishwa Bichitra
01:30 Maa O Shishur
Kotha
Sisimpur
02:15 Bangla Feature Film
02:40 Nobo Anondey Jago
05:05 Mati Basha
06:40 Laukik Bangla
07:30 Shobor Jonyo
Cinema
08:35 Documentary
Programme: Amar
Bangladesh
09:00 Drama: Purush
10:30 Musical Programme

09:50 GrameenPhone
Tritonmata
11:05 Na Bola Kotha
Shubarno Lota
12:30 Citycell Taroka
Kafahan
10:05 Ebong Cinemar
Gaan
12:30 Shabangbadpote
Bangladesh
Public Relation
01:45 Special Programme
Dhaka Guide
03:05 Educational
Programme
04:00 Shotyer Shondhaney
Muktijuddho Protidin
05:30 Casanova
06:00 Harano Shoishob
Harano Shomprod
Mega Serial: Bhaber
Haat
07:50 Hridoy Mati O
Manush
10:00 Special Programme
GrameenPhone
12:00 Shadhin

11:05 Thakur Maar Jhuli
12:15 Shurer Madhuri
12:45 Shatdhin
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Nari O Rajniti
11:20 Gop Shop
12:00 Musical Programme
11:00 Aj Potrikay
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11:45 Iltihaser Path
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07:00 Music Net
08:15 Olo Sholpo Golpo
09:00 Shomoyer Swad
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04:30 Music Music
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08:15 Shantokutir
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Drama: Nishiprantey
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Shoptaho
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09:15 Ekusher Shomoy
10:00 Drama Serial:
Bondhori
11:45 Reporters File

10:10 Apnar Ki Kichhu Bolar
Achhey
11:10 Shomoy Ashomoy
11:40 Media Bhubon
01:00 X-Crime
02:30 Bhokab

08:15 Drama Serial: Shesh
Odhay
08:55 Amar Ami
09:30 Drama Serial:
Bachelor Domptoli

10:45 Tna Xpllosion
09:30 Grey's Anatomy
10:30 Heroes
11:30 Psych
12:30 Prison Break

07:45 Drama Serial: Polatok
Talk Show: Law and
Development
10:00 The Wind In The
Willows
11:45 Keeping Mum
01:30 On The Lot
02:30 The Ticket
03:00 The Devil's Own
05:05 Casanova
07:00 National Security
08:30 Sniper 2
10:05 The Mistress Of Spices
11:45 Casanova
01:45 Mozart And The Whale
03:30 Sniper 2

01:55 Bolly V - Star Plus
V Trailers - Star Plus
02:25 Bolly V - Star Plus
Jurassic Park 2 The
Lost World (Hindi)
V Trailers - Star Plus
05:00 Bolly V - Star Plus
(Nusrat)
06:30 Krishna Kathaiyan
Star Voice Of India
07:55 Bolly V - Star Plus
Meri Awaz Ko Mil
Gaiy Roshi..
08:30 Prithviraj Chauhan
10:00 Baa Bahoo Aur Baby
Star Voice Of India
12:00 Kasturi
12:30 Bolly V - Star Plus

FM radio
Radio Foorti
07:00am Hello Dhaka
(Apu)
11:00am Amar 98.4
(Nusrat)
03:00pm Dhaka Calling
(Sakib)
07:00pm Fuad Live (Fuad)
11:30am Back to Back
music

GEOGRAPHIC CHANNEL

12:30 Frontline of Construction
01:30 Killer Tigers of India
02:30 Dens of Danger
03:30 Amazing Moments
04:30 Mad Labs
05:00 Swimming With Sea
Snakes
05:30 Backyard Science
Disney Florida
06:00 Amazing Moments
07:30 The Living Edens
08:30 Rescue Choppers
09:30 Teva Mountain Games
10:30 Monster Crocs
11:30 Deviants?

ESPN

12:00 The Natwest Series
(Cricket)
Sportscenter Week In
Review (Spo)
Standard Bank One
Day Internatio
Motogp World
Championship 2007
01:00 Sportscenter Weekend
(Sport News)
02:57 Chappell-Hadlee
Trophy (Cricket)

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03:15 Bangla Feature Film
Hurrah
12:10 Talk show: Ei
Shomoy
01:05 Japan Video Topic
02:00 Music Station

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Ura Din
05:00 Cartoon
06:00 Diner Sheshey
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08:00 Game Show
09:00 Documentary
Programme

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