

CULTURALFEAST

Theatre Festival

Venue: National Theatre Stage, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy
Organiser: Bangladesh Group Theatre Federation and Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy
Time: 7pm

Date: September 3
Title: Bhoddornok
Troupe: Natyachakra

Date: September 4
Title: Konjush
Troupe: Loko Natyadal

Date: September 5
Title: Chhayanat
Troupe: Nagonik Natya Sampraday

Date: September 6
Title: Nimojon
Troupe: Dhaka Theatre

Film Screening

Title: Soumitra Chatterjee Retrospective
Organiser: Chalachchitram Film Society
Venue: Shawkat Osman Auditorium, Central Public Library, Shahbag
Date: September 7
Time: 10 am
Film: Apur Sansar
Director: Satyajit Ray

Time: 11 am
 Soumitra Chatterjee will exchange views with the audience
Time: 12 pm
Film: Monihaar
Director: Salil Sen

Time: 3 pm
Film: Jhinder Bandi
Director: Tapan Sinha

Time: 5 pm
Film: Akash Kusum
Director: Mrinal Sen

Time: 7 pm
Film: Abhijan
Director: Satyajit Ray

Date: September 8
Time: 10 am
Film: Dekha
Director: Goutam Ghosh

Time: 12 pm
Film: Teen Bhuboner Parey
Director: Ashutosh Banarjee

Time: 3 pm
Film: Aranyer Din Ratri
Director: Satyajit Ray

Time: 5 pm
Film: Charulata
Director: Satyajit Ray

Time: 7 pm
Film: Kony
Director: Saraj Day

Art Exhibition

Title: Study Works of Khuina Art College
Organiser: Dots Contemporary Art Centre
Venue: Dots Contemporary Art Centre, 191/A Haque Tower (2nd Floor), Tejgaon-Gulshan Link Road, Tejgaon
Date: September 3 to September 12
Time: 11 am to 8 pm

Solo Art Exhibition
Artist: Samiran Chowdhury
Venue: Sajur Art Gallery, F/40-41, D.C.C North Super Market, 2nd circle, Gulshan, Dhaka.
Date: August 30 to September 10
Time: 10 am to 8 pm

Title: Oriental Art: My Style of Expression
Artist: Malay Bala
Venue: Zainul Gallery, Institute of Fine Arts, University of Dhaka
Date: September 1 to September 5
Time: 11 am to 8 pm

Concert for flood victims

Performances by DRockstars finalists and leading bands



Sumon (R) of Aurthohin performs with a member of Radio Active

MAINUL HASSAN

THE youth brand of Grameenphone, djuice, in association with BAMB (Bangladesh Musical Bands Association) organised a concert at Gulshan Youth Club, Dhaka, on September 1.

Titled "DRockStars for Flood Victims", the concert was an initiative to raise funds for the people affected by the recent flood.

Apart from the finalist bands of DRockstars -- Dour, Dreek, Bortoman, Eclipse, Radio Active and Power Surge, the concert also featured performances by eight members of BAMB -- Miles, Souls, Dolchut, Black, Aurthohin, Pentagon, Trap and Maqsd O

Dhaka. This was the first major concert where the six finalist bands of the ongoing talent hunt programme participated.

The programme was divided into two segments. The first half featured the six DRockstars bands. The first band to perform was Dour; Dreek and Bortoman followed. Next in line were Eclipse and Radio Active. Power Surge delivered an electrifying performance starting with Metallica's *Enter Sandman*. The band mainly played thrash metal songs, which generated a huge response from the audience. The performance by Radio Active was also noteworthy.

"BAMB has been organising fundraisers since 1987. During every major disaster, Bangladesh



Bappa Majumdar and Dolchut at the concert

bands have always come forward and this year is no different," said Hamin Ahmed, president of BAMB.

"Apart from generating funds for relief, another purpose of this event is to introduce the DRockstars finalists to a live performance. Anyone can vote for his/her favourite band through sms -- revenue earned from the sms will also be donated to relief for flood victims," he added.

Dolchut opened the second session. This was their first public appearance after a yearlong break. Bappa Majumdar performed three songs starting with his recent hit *Aaj tomar mon kharap*.

Speaking at the event, Bappa

said, "Many organisations have held several fundraisers this year, but putting together such an event means only half the job is done. The organisers should ensure that people who need it the most are getting it and also look into proper expenditure of the funds."

Sharing his feelings Partho Barua of Souls said, "It is our moral duty to do something for our fellow countrymen. The people living in the flood-hit regions are in desperate need of help and everyone should come forward and contribute according to the best of their ability."

Though the turnout was lesser than expected, the event was an enjoyable one.

Theatre festival in aid of flood victims

"Bhoddornok" to be staged today

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

French dramatist Moliere's play *The Bourgeois Gentleman* deals with the eternal question: what is more important to a human being -- his ancestry and social status or humane qualities? *The Bourgeois Gentleman* satires those who after becoming rich desire to be the part of the fashionable elite by resorting to hypocrisy and social pretensions.

Golam Sarwar's adapted version of Moliere's play titled *Bhoddornok* presents the humorous story of Fazar Ali. Fazar was born into poverty but has made money while working in Kuwait. After returning to Bangladesh, he works hard to learn the ways of the upper class, forgetting his roots in the process.

Directed by Golam Sarwar, *Bhoddornok* will be staged by Natyachakra today at the National Theatre Stage, as part



Actors of Natyachakra in Bhoddornok

of the theatre festival jointly arranged by Bangladesh Group Theatre Federation and Bangla-

desh Shilpakala Academy. The festival has been arranged in aid of the flood victims.

Art for flood relief

NIVEDITA RAITZ ON FRENTZ

Few emotions are more satisfying that the feeling of having been part of a worthy cause. For the first time since its inauguration back in October 2004, the Art & Soul gallery launched an exhibition of a special nature. Tucked away in a little corner of Gulshan 2 (House 16, Road 36), the gallery dug into its private collection and compiled an exhibition featuring numerous artists; proceeds from the paintings' sale will be donated to those affected by the recent floods.

Gallery owner Nabila Rahman, came up with the



idea spontaneously and found it fairly easy to set the ball rolling. "We contacted the artists individually to request their permission to participate in the show". Needless to say, she found the artists to be extremely forthcoming. "They were very helpful and wanted to contribute in some form or other," she added. The gallery is donating all its profits to charity, with the artists contributing to varying degrees.

Over one hundred pieces are on display, encompassing a wide range of Bangladeshi artists and media, including works in wood and metal. Interestingly, there are a few paintings by a couple of Dubai-based artists. Many of the well-established names are there: Rafiqun Nabi, Qayyum Chowdhury, Hashem Khan, Samarjit Roy Choudhury and Jamal Ahmed to name but a few. Pictures by many younger and up-and-coming artists were also prominently displayed.

In a drive to raise maximum funds, the paintings are competitively priced at their original exhibition prices. The gallery has been thrilled by public response and sales have been brisk. The saying "every little helps" has been proved to be true once more. Using art as an efficient fund-raising tool will benefit all parties concerned; hopefully it will catch on. The exhibition is on till September 7.

The writer is a freelance contributor

Rahat Ara Giti 's passion for Nazrul songs

JAMIL MAHMUD

Born and raised in a culturally oriented family, Rahat Ara Giti's passion for music began at an early age. She used to wake up every morning to her father, Nazrul exponent Sohrab Hossain, doing *reyaaz*. At the age of 10 she started taking classical music lessons from her father. Later, she trained under late Narayan Chandra Basak and M.A. Mannan. She also completed a five-year course in Nazrul Sangeet from Chhayanat.

At Nazrul Institute, veteran artists including Sohrab Hossain, Sudin Das and others gave *taalim* to young Nazrul singers and Giti says that she learnt a lot at the institution.

According to Giti, "I started performing at different programmes for children on BTV and Radio." She is now an enlisted singer at both BTV and Bangladesh Betar. She regularly performs at other TV channels as well.

Her first album of Nazrul songs titled *Ekdashir Chand* was released in 2003, under the label Commitment. Two albums featuring *Hamd O Naat* were released at 2005 and 2006 from Laser Vision.

Giti has toured many countries including The US, UK, Canada, India and others, representing



Rahat Ara Giti

Bangladesh at different cultural festivals. Among performances overseas that she remembers

vividly was at a programme in Churulia -- birthplace of Kazi Nazrul Islam. In Churulia, the local Nazrul

Academy arranges a weeklong festival every year to celebrate the poet's birth anniversary. The festival is attended by leading cultural and literary figures from both India and Bangladesh.

Among Nazrul singers her favourites are Feroza Begum, Sohrab Hossain, Yasmin Mushtari, Ferdous Ara, Shahin Samad, Khairul Anam Shakil and Abhijit Shaha. Apart from Nazrul Sangeet, Giti likes Rabindra Sangeet, *adhunik* and folk songs. On her taste in music, she says, "I remember, from my childhood, my father, despite being one of the leading Nazrul exponents in the country, would listen to different genres of music and appreciate quality compositions."

Giti feels it is necessary to promote and uphold Nazrul Sangeet in our country. She says, "In this regard, the government can take positive steps. Every year in Kolkata, a number of music albums are released at different cultural festivals. In our country, music companies can take such initiatives around Nazrul's birth and death anniversaries."

"Nazrul songs should be made appealing to our next generation, so that the legacy of Nazrul continues," she concludes.

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-1
 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 a.m, 10:00 am, 11:00 am, 1:00pm, 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

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 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 World Roundup
 11:15 Documentary Programme

12:00 Maa O Shishur Kotha
 12:30 Onu Poromanu

01:30 Shukhi Poribar
 02:15 Alor Pather Jatri

03:05 Cartoon
 04:00 Agrodut

04:30 Banshuri
 05:05 Debate

06:10 Matri Bhasha
 06:40 Special Programme

07:30 Shurer Shurobhi
 08:35 Chhayachhondo

09:30 Agricultural Programme
 10:30 Bulbul

ATN Bangla
 10:30 AKTEL Onnyodishti

11:05 Shomoshamoik
 11:35 Musical Programme

12:15 Motamat
 01:25 Cocola Choloচিত্র Golpo

02:30 Doll's House
 03:10 O Amar Chokhu Nai

03:45 Children's Programme
 04:20 Shomali Din

05:00 Gram Gonjer Khobar
 05:10 Shushtho Thakun

05:45 Business Week
 06:20 Ashay Pasher Manush

08:00 Drama Serial: Kath Doyla Chhobi

08:45 Meet the Press
 12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

CHANNEL-i

09:30 Special Programme
 09:50 Grameenphone Tritiyomatra

11:05 Special Programme
 12:30 Citycell Tarokakothon

01:05 Tax Helpline
 01:15 Ebong Cinemar Gaan

01:30 Shanghabad Potrey Bangladesh
 02:40 Mega Serial: Priobash

03:05 Banijyo O Orthoniti
 03:30 D Rockstar-2

04:05 Sa Re Ga Ma
 04:30 FCT Business Talk

05:30 Mukti Juddho Protidin
 06:00 Stargate S G One

06:20 Ontorader Kotha
 06:40 Business Show

07:50 Special Programme
 09:35 Drama Serial: Chondro Karigor

10:00 Drama Serial: Shesh Theke Shuru
 11:30 Drama: Ekanyobarti

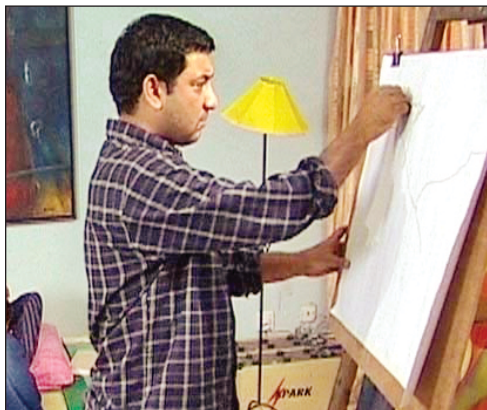
12:00 Grameenphone Ajker Shangbadpotro
ETV

08:00 Ekusher Shokal
 01:30 Dishi

02:30 Shoyong
 03:30 Chirontoni

04:00 Pathay Pantorey
 04:30 Shukhi Manush Project

PICK OF THE DAY



Kath Koylar Chhobi

On ATN Bangla at 8:00pm
 Drama Serial

Cast: Fazlur Rahman Babu, Tauquir Ahmed



Into the West

On Star Movies at 5:15pm
 Genre: Adventure/ Drama

Cast: Josh Brolin, Rachael Leigh Cook

05:30 Gaanoala	04:00 Drama Serial: Amar Nayokera	11:40 Cinebit	10:00 V Trailers - Star Plus
06:30 Bishwa Joyi Bangale Nazrul	04:30 Music Station	01:00 Drama Serial: Mohanogor	10:30 Ducktales
08:30 Drama Serial: Hitlu	05:15 Cinetune	02:30 Bhokab	11:00 Timon And Pumbaa
09:30 Drama: Meher Nigar	06:00 Saagbela	02:40 Amar Ami	01:00 Kasauti Zindagi Kay Bhabhi
10:30 Drama Serial: Bodhon	06:45 Ithasher Path Dorey	03:15 X-Crime	02:00 Bhabhi
11:45 Reporter's File	07:00 Shukhtara	04:15 Swapnochura	03:00 Saarthi
12:00 Ekusher Raat	08:15 Drama Serial: Coffee House	05:40 Citycell Diner Sheshey	04:00 Kayamath
Channel 1	09:00 Gaaner Khata	06:35 Amader Rannaghar	04:30 Sangam
08:40 Shuprobhat Bangladesh	09:30 Bioscope	08:25 Drama Serial: Mohanagar	05:00 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii
09:30 Chokhmele Dekhi	11:00 Stop n Rock	09:05 Desher Pathhey	06:30 Kasturi
10:30 Bangla Feature Film	BANGLAVISION	09:45 Projapoti Din	07:00 Kayamath
02:00 Padmorag	08:35 Shubho Shokal	11:20 Shamol Bangla	07:30 Sangam
03:30 Drama Serial: Coffee House	09:05 Agamir Kontho Sportsvision	12:00 Shongbad Protidin	08:00 Antakshari - The Gr8 Kids Spl

09:00 Tomorrow Never Dies	09:00 Kasauti Zindagi Kay Meri Awaz Ko Mil Gayi Roshni
11:30 An Unfinished Life	09:30 Kunkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan
01:25 The Innocent	
03:20 The Princess Diaries 2	
05:15 Into The West	
07:00 Robots	
08:35 A Lot Like Love	
10:20 Adventures Of	

10:00 Kasturi
 10:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii
 11:00 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi
 11:30 Kayamath
 12:00 Karam Apnaa Apnaa

STAR WORLD

09:30 Day Break
 10:30 The Jane Show
 11:00 Criss Angel Mindfreak
 11:30 The Simpsons
 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
 04:00 General Hospital
 05:00 Ultimate Force
 06:00 Scrubs
 06:30 The Simpsons
 07:30 My Wife And Kids
 08:30 That '70s Show
 09:00 Everybody Loves Raymond

09:30 According To Jim
 10:00 Yes Dear
 10:30 Monk
 11:00 Seinfeld
 11:30 Friends

STAR MOVIES

09:00 Tomorrow Never Dies
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 05:15 Into The West
 07:00 Robots
 08:35 A Lot Like Love
 10:20 Adventures Of

Buckaroo Banzai
 Final Move
HISTORY CHANNEL

CHANNEL

09:30 Brad Pitt
 10:30 Lincoln & Gettysburg
 11:30 Wonder Brand
 12:00 Brahmagyan
 12:30 World Trade
 Center: Rise & Fall
 Biography

02:30 J.P. Morgan
 03:30 Koffee With Karan
 04:30 Hitler's End
 05:30 Tactical to Practical
 06:30 Reilly: Ace of Spies
 07:30 Carlos the Jackal
 08:30 Targeted
 09:30 Gold
 10:30 Lost Evidence
 11:30 Deadly Kidnappings
 12:00 Agatha Christie

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

09:30 Deadly Summer
 10:30 Telemall
 11:15 Global Pendant
 12:30 Planet Carnivore
 01:30 Frontline Of Construction
 03:30 Pay, Fergus, Blossom
 03:00 Wrinkled Lipped Bats
 03:30 Deadly Summer
 04:30 Big Bang - S 8
 05:00 Snake Savior
 05:30 I Didn't Know That
 06:00 Crocs and Shocks
 06:30 Deadly Summer
 07:30 The Monkey Prince
 08:30 Air Crash Investiga-

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

09:30 Seconds From Disaster
 10:30 Guardians Of Nature
 11:30 Air Crash Investigations

DISCOVERY CHANNEL

09:30 Discovery Biggest Shows
 11:30 How Do They Do It?
 12:00 Million 2 One
 12:30 Yummy Mumm
 01:00 Runway Moms
 01:30 Raw Nature
 02:30 Discovery Showcase
 03:30 Popular Mechanics for Kids
 04:00 Ultimate Cars
 04:30 Wild Europ
 05:30 Bird Month
 06:30 Extreme Machines
 07:30 Wild Discovery
 08:30 Colours of India
 09:30 Future Weapons
 10:30 Man Made Marvels
 11:30 Life On The Edge