

CULTURALFEAST

Ekushey Book Fair

Venue: Bangla Academy
Date: February 1-29
Time: 4pm onwards
11.00am onwards on holidays

Theatre Festival

To mark the 30th anniversary
Group: Samay Natyadal
Venue: National Theatre Stage
Date: February 8-16
Time: 6.30pm

February 9

Play: Mayur Shinghashon
Group: Aranyak Natyadal

February 10

Play: Punurujibon
Group: Anik (India)

February 11

Play: Shukhandi Kotha
Group: Mahakal Natya Sampradaya

International Art Exhibition

Organiser: Asiatic Society of Bangladesh
Venue: Auditorium, Asiatic Society of Bangladesh, 5 Old Secretariat Road, Nimali, Ramna
Date: February 9-24
Time: 2pm-6pm

Fine Arts and Handicrafts Fair

Organiser: Greater Mymensingh Fine Arts Coordination Forum
Venue: Shilpacharya Zainul Abedin Sangrashala, Shaheb Quarter Park, Mymensingh
Date: February 1-14

Photography Exhibition

to mark 65th anniversary of Battle of Stalingrad
Organiser: Russian Centre for Science and Culture

Venue: Russian Centre for Science and Culture, House 510, Road 7, Dhanmondi
Date: February 6-14
Time: 10 am-7 pm (except Friday & Saturday)

Title: Studying Life

Venue: Drik Gallery, House 58, Road 15A (New), Dhanmondi
Date: February 1-15
Time: 3-8 pm

Solo Painting Exhibition

Title: Love & Affection
Artist: Anukul Mojumder
Venue: Shilpangan, House 26, Road 3, Dhanmondi
Date: February 7-18
Time: 10am-1pm and 5pm-8pm

Title: Evilization

Artist: Ra Kajol
Venue: Zainul Gallery, Institute of Fine Arts, Dhaka University
Date: February 1-15
Time: daily 12 noon-8 pm

Art Exhibition

Organiser: School of Creative Art Gallery
Venue: Drik Gallery, House 58, Road 15A (New), Dhanmondi
Date: February 5-11
Time: 3pm-8pm

Title: Nobiner Dilijyo Jatra

Venue: Words and Pages, 125, Gulshan Avenue, Gulshan-2
Date: February 4-10
Time: 11am-8pm

Sculpture Exhibition

Title: Long Distance Information
Venue: Bengal Shilpalaya, House 275/F, Road 27 (old), Dhanmondi
Date: January 28-February 13
Time: 12pm-8pm

Cultural Exhibition

Venue: Office of the Cultural Counsellor, Embassy of the Islamic Republic of Iran, House 64, road 8/A, Dhanmondi
Date: February 6-14
Time: 10am-6pm

Britto's local innovations at Bogra workshop



Tejosh Halder's creation

FAYZA HAQ

BRITTO held a workshop recently at Nijera Kori's idyllic premises in Bogra. There, for a fortnight, the young experimenting artists got together to exchange ideas and views. Each artist did something different, bringing in his/her own feelings and aspirations, and mingling them with the surrounding environment. Out of the 17 artists, eight were local painters and sculptors, experimenting with various mediums taken from their vicinity in Bogra.

Ronni Ahmed's work was conceptual and dealt with languages. Ronni tied a backdrop of trees with brown ropes, bringing in abstract sculpture. The red fallen trees lent colour. In his other installation piece, Ronni introduced an imaginary language contributed by the different participants. His other composition was "Egg plant" in which a bush was decorated with egg-like images. This too was a play with words. His last work was dabbling with the concept of extremity of consumerism with everyday

items like cars and refrigerators and their rocketing prices.

Tejosh Halder Josh made a swing, with figures incorporated in the ropes of the swing. The seat also contained a figure and reflected the control over our lives by other people like our family members. This also symbolised foreign influences in our lifestyle. Each of his installation pieces was called "Life behind lives". His last piece conveyed his feelings of resting on a canoe and this he did with ply-board cut-outs. This was a study of man and nature.

Lucky Barua's pieces were called "White eye" and "Dead feelings", which introduced contrasting images of happiness and sorrow. The first included work on laptop

with slides of the fun time the participants had during the workshop. This was a resume of their get-together. The latter evoked the feeling of loss during the Cyclone Sidr. There was burning of incense, use of *attar*, reading of the Holy Quran and lamenting family members.

Yasmine Jahan Nupur introduced an installation piece and a "performance". Nupur concentrated on the auditorium door. Her image was a stitched version with cotton of this striking red door, done on cloth and cotton bits. This endeavour dealt with the social bindings of women and was related to the door. The second piece dealt with the custom of imposing *burqa* on women by the conservative society.



Ronni Ahmed's experiment

Samay Natya Utsab
Today's play "Mayur Shinghashon"

Actors of Aranyak perform in Mayur Shinghashon

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

As part of the ongoing theatre festival arranged by Samay Sanskritik Goshthi, theatre troupe Aranyak Natyadal will stage Mayur Shinghashon at the Experimental Theatre Stage today.

Mayur Shinghashon is a political satire. Featuring the story of a

rural jatra troupe, Mannan Heera's play depicts the tribulations of the minority group of the '60s.

Quite a few of the minority groups in the '60s suffered the same fate as Dilip Das, the protagonist of the play. Many patriots belonging to the minority community in those days were forced to leave their motherland by the fundamentalist rulers.

Children's Publications at the Boi Mela

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Of the 365 stalls at this year's Amar Ekushey Granthamela, also known as the 'Boi Mela', about 20-25 stalls feature publications solely for children. The number is fewer compared to last year's arrangement but then again, the total number of stalls at this year's Boi Mela is also fewer. Not too many young bookworms are frequenting the fair as of yet but the booksellers expect an increase in attendance in about a week when more books will be available.

Some of the children's books published on

the occasion of the fair are *Amazon-er Gohon Boney* by Ali Imam, *Tiarong Deeper Pori* by Shahjahan Kibria, *Shaah Dakat Aar Hatim Tai* by Faruque Ahmed, *Ghooparant Mashi Pishi* by Khalek bin Jainuddin, *Shishu Kishor Golposhomogro* by Jhonnada Purokayasto, *Sheyal Mamar Biye* by M. Sakhatat Hussain, *Ahammok Number 10* by Shamimul Haque and a set of four *Tom and Jerry* comics by Arafat Khan.

According to the organisers, a particular day at the fair will be dedicated to children and their mothers.



Young visitors at a stall

Sixteen receive Chandrabati award



National Professor Kabir Chowdhury speaks at the programme

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Chandrabati Academy arranged an award giving ceremony titled *Chandrabati Swarnapadak 2007* at the Media Centre-1 of Bangladesh China Friendship Conference Centre on February 7. Sixteen people of different sectors of the country were awarded at the programme.

National Professor Kabir Chowdhury was the chief guest. He awarded the recipients with gold medals and certificates. In his speech Professor Kabir Chowdhury urged the government to have a trial of war criminals.

He said, "Not many people are well aware of Chandrabati (the medieval period female poet of Bengali literature) at present. However, the academy is regularly arranging programmes

based on her."

Professor Kabir Chowdhury also urged the Government to repair the temple of Chandrabati in order to keep her memory alive.

Renowned educationist and former Chairman of University Grants Commission (UGC) Professor M. Asaduzzaman and editor of the *Bangladesh Observer* Iqbal Sobhan Chowdhury were the special guests.

In his speech Professor Asaduzzaman said, everyone, who was being awarded, was laudable.

Iqbal Sobhan Chowdhury said that he wished that people like them would further enlighten the society.

President of Chandrabati Academy Professor Mohammad Abu Siddique presided over the programme. Kamruzzaman Kajol, executive director of the academy

gave the welcome speech.

The award recipients at the programme are:- National Professor Brig. (Retd.) Abdul Malik (Health), Dr. Mozaffar Ahmed (Economics), Murtaja Baseer (Fine Arts), Rasheda K. Chowdhury and Mohammad Abu Bakar Siddique (Education), Professor Mansur Musa (Research), Shykh Seraj (Agriculture), Professor Chowdhury Mahmud Hasan (Science), Kaiser Chowdhury (Children's Literature), Abu Karim and Nasir Ahmed (Poetry), Monwara Hakim Ali (Woman Development), Manjurul Ahsan Bulbul (Journalism), Neyaz Ahmed (Banking), Doctor Mostafizur Rahman (Pharmaceutical) and Nasir Ali Mamun (Photography).

A documentary on the life and work of the sixteen award recipients was screened at the venue.

"Golpo Thekay Natok" on BTV



A scene from the TV play Patar Shihoron

BTV is airing a series of nine plays adapted from novels. The plays were aired at 9 pm on the first, second and third Sundays of January and will continue the same way this month and in March, says a press release.

The series started on January 6 with *Patar Shihoron* written by Al Mahmud, adapted by Raju Alim and produced by Muhammad Sarwar. This was followed by an adaptation of *Akrosh* written by Khaleda Edib Chowdhury and produced by Rezaul Haque Al Kaderi, aired on January 13. *Byathar Daan*, an adaptation of Kazi Nazrul Islam's work, produced by Laila Arjumand Banu, was aired on January 20.

Miah Bhai by Ibrahim Khan, adapted by Akhtaruazzaman and produced by Mustafizur

Rahman, was aired on February 3. *Bhetorer Manush* by Shahid Akhand -- adapted by Amal Saha and produced by Manzoor Rahman -- will be aired on February 10. *Chandrabati* by Razia Rahman -- adapted by Falguni Hamid and produced by Muhammad Sharif Hussain -- will be aired on February 17.

Next month's attractions include *Kalyanpur* by Rashid Haider -- adapted by Arif Haider and produced by Musharraf Hussain -- to be aired on March 2. *Shilpi* by Abul Khair Muslehuddin -- adapted by Kazi Asad and produced by Muhammad Sarwar -- will be aired on March 9, and *Protibimbo* by Syed Waliullah -- adapted by Fazlul Karim and produced by Manoj Sengupta will be aired on March 16.

ON AIR

PICK OF THE DAY



Tumi Jol
On ntv at 9:00 pm
Single Episode TV play
Cast: Tauquir Ahmed, Richi



Triangle
On Rtv at 8:00 pm
Single Episode TV play
Cast: Aupi Karim, Joy, Srabonti

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, 9:00 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:15 am.

ATN BANGLA

News (Bangla) at 7:00 am, 10:00 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm, 11 pm.
News (English) 8:20 am, 7:00 pm.
Latest News (Bangla) at 9:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:00 am, 1:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm.

CHANNEL 1

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

BANGLAVISION

News (Bangla) at 7:30 am, 1:30 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:15 pm, 10:30 pm.
News Headlines (Bangla) at 10:00 am, 12:00 am, 4:00 pm.
News (English) at 6:00 pm

Rtv

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

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News (Bangla) 7:30 am, 12:02 pm, 2:00 pm, 7:30 pm, 10:30 pm, 1:00 am

ETV

News (Bangla): 1:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm, 11:00 pm

BTV

08:45 Esho Gaan Shikhi
11:15 Documentary
Programme: Swadesh Desher Gaan

11:30 Shukhi Poribar
12:05 Prothom Ontora
12:30 Maa O Shisur Katha

01:00 Selected Programme
02:15 Sisimpur
02:40 Bangla Feature Film

05:25 Boimela
06:10 Ekush Amar
06:30 Ohonkaar

06:30 Apon Aloye
06:55 Amader Mukhtijudho
07:30 Talk Show: Shil Din-er Katha

08:35 Documentary
Programme: Amar Bangladesh

09:00 Drama
10:30 Poribesh Proshongo
11:00 Talk Show: Date Line Dhaka

CHANNEL i
08:30 Shokaler Gaan
09:30 Shagbadpotrey

09:45 Public Reaction
09:50 Gramphone Trilomala

11:05 Talk Show: Amader Aaina
12:05 Mukto Bazar
12:30 Citycell Taroka Kathana

01:05 Ebong Cinemas
01:30 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma

03:05 Hindoyer Gaan
04:05 Educational Programme: F M Method
04:50 Shotyer Shondhaney

05:30 Wand Boimela
06:00 Shorashori
06:30 Sisimpur

06:30 i Speed
07:50 Ghar Kutum
08:20 Drama Serial: Nouka Dubi

09:35 Hindoye Matio O Manush
10:00 Drama Serial: Phire Dekha
11:30 Live Drama Serial: Astey Astey Astey

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08:55 Drama Serial: Swapno Jaal
09:30 Dander Chhondey

10:05 Tiffin-er Phakey
10:30 Apnar Jigyasha
12:10 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy

01:05 Cartoon
02:30 Drama Serial: Swapno Jaal

03:15 Music Jam
04:25 Drama
05:30 Alokpat

06:20 Shubho Shondha
06:45 Shangkriti Ei Shopkhola

08:15 Drama Serial: Shanto Kutir
09:00 Drama: Tumi Jol

11:35 Talk Show: Ei Shamoy
12:00 Rtv Exclusive

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08:15 Gaanchil Ei Din
09:00 Rtv Exclusive

09:05 Drama Serial: Ebong Rohoshyer Golpo
10:00 Hallo Love

11:00 Taroka Alap
11:30 Children's Programme

02:30 Bangla Feature Film
06:00 Probidin
06:30 Tarzan

08:00 Drama: Triangle
11:00 Drama Serial: Neel Nirjon-ey

11:30 News Watch
12:00 Rtv Exclusive

CHANNEL 1
08:40 Shuprobhaat

10:30 Aakar Ekar
11:00 Drama: Shay Esheychhilo Ekdin

12:05 Tele Film
02:00 Shoptaho Sheshey

03:30 Aaina
04:30 Shukhi Tara

05:15 Fusion for Baul
06:00 Saaj Bela
06:45 Amil Ki Bhulitey Pari

07:00 Shomoyer Swad
08:15 Drama: Ochena Apon

09:00 Gaan-er Khala
09:30 Shomoyer Swad

10:30 Sports Vision
06:05 Din-er Sheshey
06:20 Amader Otthi

Shamol Bangla

08:25 Drama Serial: Pingol Akash
09:05 Musical Programme

09:45 Drama Serial: Shomokutir
11:25 Raaf Beraaty

12:00 Shagbad Probidin
10:35 Scary Movie 4

12:00 X-Men: The Last Stand
01:45 Dragon Boys

03:25 Dragon Boys - Ep. 2
05:00 Eight Below

STAR MOVIES
01:30 The Apprentice

09:30 Who Wants To Be A Superhero
10:30 J.A.G.

11:30 My Night At The Grammy
01:30 Prison Break

02:30 Prison Break
03:30 Criminal Minds

04:30 Bones
05:30 Criss Angel Mindfreak

06:30 Most Shocking
07:30 Heroes

08:30 Kyle Xy
09:30 Bones

10:30 Tna Xplosion
11:30 The Unit

STAR WORLD
08:30 The Apprentice

09:30 Who Wants To Be A Superhero

KYLE XY

10:30 Anamalai
11:30 Neil Morrissey

12:30 Beware of Greeks Gifts
01:00 How Foolish Can You Be?

01:30 K'naan
02:00 Michael Franti

02:30 Python Attack
03:30 Lufthansa Nat Geo

04:00 Anchorage/ Hobert
04:30 I Didn't Know That

05:00 Chimp Diaries
05:30 Big Bang

06:00 Humpback Whales
06:30 MegaShip

07:30 Super Croc
08:30 Super Cyclone

09:30 Lufthansa Nat Geo
10:00 Baili St. John's

10:30 Death Of The Bear Man
11:30 Vusi Mahlasela

12:00 K'naan
12:30 Warplanes

HISTORY
10:30 Beyond the Big Bang

11:30 Man Overboard
12:00 Secret Weapons of Ninja

12:30 The Norwood Builder
01:30 Moon

02:30 Hitler's End
03:30 Chocolate

04:30 The Night Decades
05:30 Mata Hari

STAR PLUS

07:00 Pirates Of The Caribbean: Dead M Flyboys

11:55 Behind Enemy Lines
09:00 Karishma Ka Karishma

09:30 Shararat
10:00 The New Adventures of Winnie Pooh

10:30 The Replacements
11:00 Sonpari

11:30 Kaho na yaar hai Bidaai
12:30 Raja Ki Aayegi Baraat

16:30 Biwi No 1
19:30 Aek Chabhi Hai Padoss Mein

20:00 Jai Maa Durga
21:00 Prithviraj Chauhan

21:30 Baa Bahoo Aur Baby Star VOI Chhole Ustaad

23:30 Jai Maa Durga
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