

"Closeup 1 Tomakei Khujchhey Bangladesh" is back



(From left) Geeteera Safiya Choudhury, Naushad Chowdhury and Enayetur Rahman at the press conference

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The popular talent hunt *Closeup 1 Tomakei Khujchhey Bangladesh* is back again. Naushad Chowdhury, Brands and Development Director, Unilever Bangladesh

Limited made the announcement yesterday at a press conference held at Spectra Convention Centre. Enayetur Rahman, managing director, ntv and Geeteera Safiya Choudhury, chairperson of Adcom were present at the event.

The slogan of this year's talent hunt is *Gao Bangladesh Gao*. The event will provide a platform to talented young singers, giving them an opportunity to showcase their skills. This is the third talent hunt

programme by Unilever under the banner of *Closeup 1*. The first *Closeup 1* was held in 2005. The second contest was held in the following year.

Shortly after its introduction the programme attained huge popularity among the audience, becoming one of the most watched programmes in television.

Anyone between the ages of 16-30 will be eligible to take part in the event. To take part in the audition rounds, participants will have to obtain a registration number, by dialling 01841111111, by March 31. Registration can also be done online at www.closeup1.com. Audition rounds will start from April 1.

This year auditions will be held in Chittagong, Comilla, Sylhet, Mymensingh, Rangpur, Rajshahi, Kishina, Khulna, Barisal and Dhaka.

Akteel is the registration partner, Radio Today is the radio partner and BD Info is the web partner of the contest. Adcom and Market Access Providers Ltd will also be supporting the event. Amitav Reza is the official creative director of *Closeup 1*.

Britney Spears is animated superhero in new video



Britney Spears is seen as an animated character in the new animated music video for her single *Break The Ice*

REUTERS, Los Angeles

Pop star Britney Spears released a music video last Wednesday that features the troubled singer as an animated superhero in a futuristic world.

The music video premiered on Wednesday on dedicated website (www.BlackoutBall.com) and accompanies her latest single *Break The Ice* - the third from her 2007 album *Blackout*.

The release of the video, along with an upcoming acting role on U.S. television comedy *How I Met Your Mother*, marks something of a comeback for Spears, 26, whose career has been sidetracked by psychiatric problems and months of bitter child custody battles.

Spears' Jive record company said the video was made in South Korea in Japanese anime style. Spears last year released two singles from the *Blackout* album

which has sold more than 2 million copies worldwide but whose commercial success pales in comparison to the singer's heyday six years ago.

In the past year, Spears has been in rehab, lost custody of her sons to ex-husband Kevin Federline and been hospitalised twice for psychiatric evaluation.

Management of her personal and business affairs have now been handed over by court order to her father.

Television executives said last Monday that Spears had been cast in an episode of *How I Met Your Mother*. The episode is expected to air on March 24 and according to insiders Spears will play a receptionist in a doctor's office.

Spears got her first role in a prime time U.S. television series in March 2006 when she played a Christian conservative talk show host in a guest appearance on *Will & Grace*.

Getty Museum buys a seldom-exhibited Gauguin

The J. Paul Getty Museum announced last Tuesday that it had acquired *Arii Matamoe*, an 1892 painting by Paul Gauguin that has been in a private collection in Switzerland for decades and has been exhibited publicly only once since 1946.

The museum would not identify the seller or say how much it paid for the work. Getty officials said the painting was in good condition and would probably go on display next month after cleaning and modest restoration.

Another painting by Gauguin from the same period, *Te Poipoi (The Morning)*, was purchased by a Hong Kong collector in November at auction at Sotheby's for \$35 million, or \$39.2 million including the buyer's premium.

Created during Gauguin's first extended stay in Tahiti, *Arii Matamoe*, whose title Gauguin translated as *The Royal End*, depicts the severed head of a Polynesian man resting on a white cushion set on a low table or serving platter. A mourning nude female figure crouches nearby, framed by skull motifs on the wall behind her. In the background, other figures rest outside the house.

While the painting may have been loosely inspired by the death of the former Tahitian king Pomare

V, just after Gauguin's arrival in Tahiti in 1891, it does not depict an actual person or even common Tahitian death rites, said Scott Schaefer, the senior curator of paintings at the Getty.

Rather, Schaefer said, Gauguin probably created the painting "to shock Parisians" when it was exhibited in 1893 at Durand-Ruel's gallery. The only recent public viewing of the painting was in 1998 as part of a Gauguin exhibition at the Fondation Pierre Gianadda in Martigny, Switzerland. Schaefer said the painting had had only three or four owners in its history. It was moved from Paris to Geneva in 1941, he said, and sold during World War II and once subsequently to a private collector there, where it has remained.

Michael Brand, the Getty's director, said the acquisition was "one of the key moments in the history of our collection." The museum owns three other works by Gauguin: *Eve (The Nightmare)*, a transfer drawing from 1899 or 1900, the artist's later Tahitian period; *Portrait of a Tahitian Girl*, a black chalk drawing from 1892; and a wood sculpture, *Head With Horns*, from 1895-97.

Source: Internet



Mark Leonard, Senior Conservator of Painting at the J. Paul Getty Museum, cleans the surface of the painting *Arii Matamoe*

Last "Harry Potter" book becomes two films

Harry Potter was the centre of seven novels, but he will star in eight films. The final book in the wildly successful series will be made into two films, the *Los Angeles Times* reported last Wednesday.

According to producers J.K. Rowling's last *Potter* instalment, *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*, will be split into two parts on the big screen. The first film is slated for release in November 2010, with part two following in May 2011.

"It was born out of purely creative reasons," producer David Heyman told the *Times*. "Unlike every other book, you cannot

remove elements of this book." The two final *Potter* films will be shot concurrently, much like the blockbuster trilogy based on J.R.R. Tolkien's epic fantasy novel *The Lord of the Rings*.

Another famous Tolkien tome, *The Hobbit*, is also being split into two live-action movies set for back-to-back shooting to begin next year. Filming on the sixth *Potter* flick, *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince*, began in September.

"It's been brilliant," said star Daniel Radcliffe. "It's also, I think, the funniest of the films so far."

Source: Internet



On the set of *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince*

On Air

All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the programme.

ATN BANGLA

08:15 *Ajker Shangbadpotro*
08:30 Talk Show: *Onyodishti*
09:20 Educational Programme
10:30 *Cookery Show: ATN Rannaghar*
11:05 Islamic Programme
12:30 *Jibon Jigyasha*
03:15 Bangla Feature Film
05:00 *Gram Gonjer Khabor*
06:25 *Amra Korbo Joy*
06:45 *Projonmo Katha*
08:00 Drama: *Rowd Choshima*
09:20 Drama Serial: *Amader Nurul Huda*
10:40 Special Programme: *Mukto Shanglap*
11:30 Drama Serial: *Dolls House*
12:00 *Grameenphone Lead News*

CHANNEL i

09:30 *Shangbadpotrey Bangladesh*
09:45 Public Reaction
09:50 *Grameenphone Trilomatra*
10:30 *Grameenphone Tele Shomoy*
11:30 Islamic Programme
12:05 Talk Show: *Kora Alap*
12:30 *Sa Re Ga Ma*
01:30 *Grameenphone Trilomatray Apni*
02:35 *Citycell Channel i Music Award'08*
05:30 *Muktijudho Amar Ohonkaar*
06:00 Talk Show: *Kathay Kathay*
06:20 South Asian Music
07:50 *Banglalink Banglar Pathay*
08:20 *Nokia Discover the Night*
09:35 Drama Serial: 420
10:00 Drama Serial: *Ochena Neel Koritho*
11:30 Game Show: *Bajimaat Shorashori*
12:00 *Grameenphone Ajker Shanbadpotro*

CHANNEL 1

08:30 *Gaanchil Ei Din*
09:00 Rtv Exclusive
09:05 Musical Programme: *Just Band*
09:35 *Apon Shimanay*
10:00 Drama Serial: *Anondo Jatra*
11:00 *Taroka Alap*
11:30 Drama Serial: *Kala Kotor*
12:15 Musical Programme: *Swapno Din-er Gaan*
12:30 Musical Programme

01:00 Islamic Programme
01:30 *Dhallywood Beats*
02:30 Bangla Feature Film
06:00 *Protidin*
08:00 Musical Programme: *Indian Idol Concert*
09:20 Special Programme: *Hello Love*
11:00 Drama Serial: *Ebang Rohosyer Golpo*
11:30 News Watch
11:45 Editor's Comment
12:00 Biz Event

ETV

08:00 *Ekusher Shokal*
10:00 *Shonamoni Shukhey Oshukhey*
10:30 *Job Line*
12:00 *Ekusher Dupur*
12:30 *Ajker Poltrikay*
02:00 *Goalini Binodon Bichitra Photo Shundori Protijogita*
05:15 *Ei Shoptahao*
05:45 *Ekusher Shondhya*
06:15 SMS Mania
06:30 *Mukho Khabor*
07:45 *Binodon Bishwa*
08:30 Golden Moments
09:30 Drama Serial: *Aziz Market, Shahbag, Dhaka 1000*
10:50 Financial Bulletin

ntv

08:30 *Ajker Shokal*
08:55 *Ekhaney Amar Desh*
09:30 Children's programme: *Shapakuni Protijogita*
10:30 *Apar Jigyasha*
11:30 *Amro Gailey Ichchha Halo*
12:10 Talk Show: *Ei Shomoy Mohilangan*
01:05 Islamic Programme
01:25 Tele-film: *Tobuo Protikhya*
02:30 *Cookery Show*
05:30 Children's Programme: *Tiphiner Phakey*
06:20 *Shubho Shondha*
06:45 *Donder Chhondhey*
08:15 Drama Serial: *Swapnojal*
09:00 Music Jam
11:20 *ntv Deshey Deshey Uttar*
11:30 *Washington Barta*
11:35 Talk Show: *Ei Shomoy*

CHANNEL 1

08:40 *Shuprobhat Bangladesh*
10:30 Drama
11:30 Islamic Programme: *Alor Kaphela*
01:00 Drama: *Hum*
02:00 *Gollachhut*
03:30 Drama: *Bagta*
04:30 *Proshno Uttar*
05:15 *Amar Ghar*
06:00 *Saaj Bela*
06:45 *Rokto Gham Polaka*

07:00 *Shoptahao Sheshey*
08:15 Drama: *Urojahaz*
09:30 *Shuktara*
11:00 *Fusion Beats*

BANGLAVISION

09:00 *Nodi O Jibon*
09:30 *Amader Oitih*
10:10 *Bhalo Thakun*
11:05 *Nana Rong-er Dinguli*

11:35 *Jigyasha O Jobab*
12:10 Islamic Programme: *Mohioshi Nani*
12:30 *Pren-er Gaan*
02:00 *Ebang Classer Bairey*
02:30 *Vocab*
02:40 Drama Serial: *Swapno Chura*
03:05 *Media Bhuban*
04:20 *Cookery Show: Amader Ranna*

05:30 *Visa Apnar Agami*
06:05 *Citycell Din-er Sheshey*
06:25 *Banglavision Cafe*
08:25 Drama Serial: *Byasto Doctor*
09:45 Drama Serial: *Tarik Ali Hadari*
12:00 *Shangbad Protidin*

STAR MOVIES

07:00 *Dunston Checks In*

08:30 *Ultimate Avengers II*
09:50 *Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle*
11:30 *Don't Come Knocking*
01:45 *Layer Cake*
03:25 *Smile*
05:15 *Grudge 2, The*
07:00 *Home Of The Brave*
08:50 *Tears Of The Sun*
10:50 *Plane Dead*
12:30 *Minotaur*

STAR PLUS

09:05 *Karam Apna Apna*
09:30 *Kumkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan*
10:30 *Saibaba*
11:30 *Grihasti*
12:00 *Baa Bahoo Aur Baby*
12:30 *Kumkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan*
02:00 *Bhabhi*
02:30 *Karam Apna Apna*
03:00 *Grihasti*
03:30 *Star Voi Chhote Ustaad*
07:00 *Grihasti*
07:30 *Kis Desh Mein Hai Meraa Dil*
08:00 *Aek Chhabhi Hai Padoss Mein*
08:30 *Kaho Na Year Hai*
09:30 *Prithviraj Chauhan*
10:00 *Baa Bahoo Aur Baby*
10:30 *Star Voi Chhote Ustaad*
12:00 *Karam Apna Apna*

STAR WORLD

09:30 *Bionic Woman*
10:30 *American Idol*
11:30 *The Office (Us)*
12:00 *The Simpsons*
12:30 *Seinfeld*
01:00 *Friends*
01:30 *Desire: Table For Three*
02:30 *The Ellen Degeneres Show*
03:30 *The Bold And The Beautiful*
04:00 *General Hospital*
05:00 *Desperate Housewives*
06:00 *King Of The Hill*
06:30 *The Simpsons*
07:00 *My Wife And Kids*
07:30 *Friends*
08:00 *Seinfeld*
08:30 *Live From Abbey Road*
09:30 *Invasion*
10:30 *Tna Wrestling*
11:30 *Home James*

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

09:00 *Hither and Slither*
09:30 *Sauna Belt*
10:30 *Patagonia*
11:30 *Mega Thursday*
12:30 *World's Busiest Port*
01:30 *Ancient Megastructures*
02:30 *Built for the Kill*
03:30 *I Am In Afghanistan*
04:30 *I Didn't Know That*
05:00 *Honor Of The Killer Habu*
05:30 *Big Bang*
06:00 *Snakes, Karma, Action*
06:30 *Nefertiti & Lost Dynasty*
07:30 *Built for the Kill*
08:30 *Don't Tell My Mother...*
09:30 *Meet Jeffery*
10:00 *Amazing Adv Of A Nobody*

10:30 *Neil Morrisey*
11:30 *Is It Real?*
12:30 *Trapped*

DISCOVERY CHANNEL

08:30 *Journey Of Life (Wt):*
09:30 *Meerkat Manor (Season 3)*
10:00 *Animal Camera - Surveillance On Survival*
10:30 *Last Lions Of India*
11:30 *Really Big Things With Matt Rogers*
12:30 *Runway Moms*
01:00 *Feast India*
01:30 *Hunters*
02:30 *Man Vs. Wild: Kimberley, Australia*
03:30 *How Do They Do It? 5*
04:00 *Mystery Hunters*
04:30 *Journey Of Life (Wt)*
05:30 *Really Big Things With Matt Rogers*
06:30 *Junkyard Wars*
07:30 *Journey Of Life (Wt)*
08:30 *Born Different*
10:00 *Dirty Jobs - Season 1*
10:30 *I Shouldn't Be Alive (Season 2)*
11:30 *Deadliest Season In The World*

HISTORY CHANNEL

09:30 *Telemall - Home Jogger*
11:30 *Tvm - Swama Heera*
12:15 *Eye Max*
12:30 *Mixedstrand*
03:30 *Biography*
05:30 *Boy's Toys*
06:30 *Mixedstrand*
07:30 *Histmysteries*
11:30 *The Universe*
12:30 *H Factor*

HBO

09:45 *Hollywood's 10 Best*
10:15 *The Tailor Of Panama*
12:30 *Small Soldiers*
02:45 *Vegas Vacation*
04:45 *Take The Lead*
07:00 *Superman II*
09:30 *After The Sunset*
11:30 *No Retreat No Surrender*

AXN

08:30 *Andromeda*
09:30 *The Contender*
10:30 *House*
12:00 *Fear Factor*
01:00 *Video Zonkers*
01:30 *Video Zonkers*
02:00 *Top Chef*
03:00 *Damages*
04:00 *Fear Factor*
06:00 *Video Zonkers*
06:30 *The Contender*
07:30 *Andromeda*
08:30 *Fear Factor*
09:30 *Ultimate Guinness World Records*
10:00 *E Buzz*
10:30 *Attack Force*
12:30 *The Ultimate Fighter*

Amader Nurul Huda
On ATN Bangla at 9:20 pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Mahfuz, Riaz

Tears of the Sun
On Star Movies at 8:50 pm
Genre: Action/Thriller
Cast: Bruce Willis, Monica Bellucci