

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Theatre

Play: Khona
Troupe: Subachan Nattya Sangsad
Venue: Experimental Theatre Stage, BSA
Date: July 23
Time: 7pm



Group Art Exhibition

Venue: Gallery Samalata, H 4, Rd 95, Gulshan-2
Date: July 12-21
Time: 11am-8pm



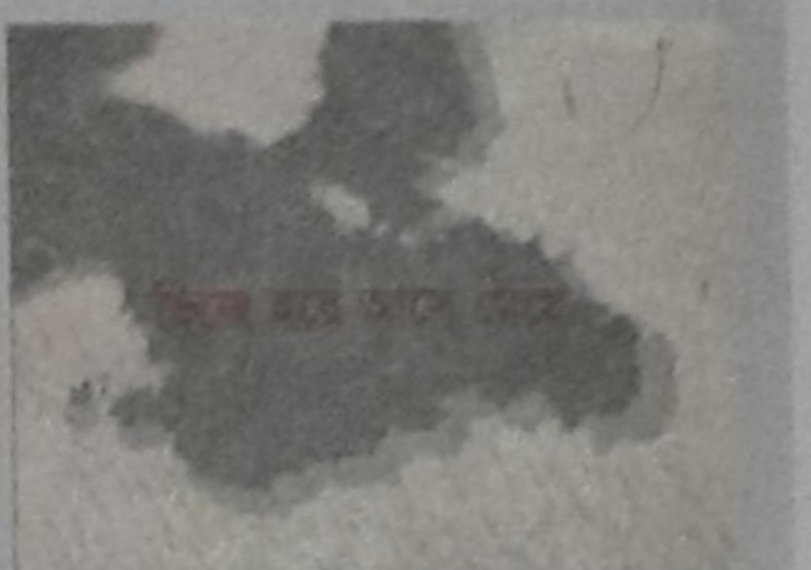
Solo Art Exhibition

Title: Image of Nature
Artist: Khunshid Alam Saleem
Venue: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, H 275/F, Rd 27 (old), Dhanmondi
Date: July 18-29
Time: 12pm-8pm



Exhibition

Title: Bhijoy Hoys Ashay Megh
Featuring designs by artists: Hashem Khan, Qayyum Chowdhury, Dinub Esh, Babysachi Hazra, Mahabub Rahman and others
Venue: Gallery Nitya Upohar, Aziz Cooperative Super Market, Shahbagh
Date: July 5-24
Time: 10am-8pm



Theatre for and by the people

Lecture at Chhayanat



PHOTO: SAYED ASIF MAHMUD

Shamsul Alam Bakul speaks at Chhayanat

JAMIL MAHMUD

Chhayanat regularly organises programmes on music, recitation and dance. Recently, Chhayanat has initiated a new programme called "Nirdharito Bakritamala" (lecture series). Each instalment of the series features a selected topic and an in-depth lecture by a personality from the related field.

The latest instalment of the series was held at the Ramesh Chandra Dutt Memorial Auditorium, Chhayanat Shangkriti Bhaban on July 18. Theatre personality Shamsul Alam Bakul presented a nearly two-hour lecture on the topic "Shobar Jonno, Shobar Dara, Shobar Natok" (literally meaning, "theatre for the people, by the people, of the people"). In his demonstration, Bakul mainly tried to focus on the relationship between the audience and the thespians. Delving on the topic, Bakul pointed out the forms of theatre practice in Bangladesh.

According to Bakul, in our country the form of theatre that is widely practiced now, originated from European Theatre. In the sub-continent, this form of theatre was introduced by Russian linguist-translator Gerasim Stepanovich Lebedev (1749-1817) in Calcutta in 1795. Usually this kind of theatre performance takes place in a proscenium, where spectators enjoy a play sitting in front of the stage.

There are some obstacles, according to Bakul, in this form of theatre when it comes to communicating with the audience directly.

Bakul argued, "Characteristically this form of theatre cannot communicate with the audience directly during the performance, as the audience watches the performance sitting in the dark and performers remain in the light."

"On the other hand, through some of the indigenous performing arts of our country like Gambhira, Alkap or

Bichar Gaan, performers can communicate with the audience directly, because during the performance audience and performers both remain in the light. Here, a bond between the audience and performers generate directly," Bakul added.

In his lecture, Bakul also focused on another form of theatre that is practiced in our country mainly by the development organisations. This form of theatre is called "Theatre for Development" (TFD). TFD was initiated in many countries in the early 1960. Bakul said, "In our country TFD was initiated in the early 1980s. Particularly development organisations practice this form of theatre as one of their main activities in their respective workplaces."

According to Bakul, initially TFD was widely recognised as "Popular Theatre". One of the main objectives of this form of theatre is to focus on development activities in a country. However, TFD has generated debates among theatre activists, as their take on this form is that it is not directly related to theatre as it is to development activities.

Bakul also focused on the way TFD is practiced in our country. He said, "Development organisations are practicing TFD in a way that is restricted by funds and agenda. When theatre is restricted by money and agenda, it cannot be considered an art form any more."

In this regard Bakul referred to famous Brazilian theatre personality Augusto Boal (1931-present). In the 1960s, Boal innovated a new form of theatre called "Theatre for the Oppressed" (TO). According to Bakul, the main objective of TO is to generate a language that enables people to demonstrate stories from their lives.

Bakul came to the conclusion that theatre should be practiced in a way that benefits the audience.

Among others, Dr. Sanjida Khatun, president of Chhayanat, was present at the programme.

Members of the indigenous Munda community, living in the Nagarhata union under Tala upazila, arranged an eight-hour long performance of "Manosha Mangal" at Ashannagar, Satkhira recently. The performance was a tribute to the snake goddess 'Manosha'. All performers were members of the Munda community including Bharat Munda, Chandra Kanto Munda, Kartik Munda, Aroti Rani Munda, Sandhya Rani Munda, Gobinda Munda and Jatin Munda. Hundreds of Adivasi men, women and children enjoyed the traditional performance in a festive atmosphere.

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'Gana Unnayan Granthagar' (CDL) recently arranged a three-day exhibition of artworks by children at its auditorium in Bogra. The exhibition opened last Friday and generated much interest among school-going children.

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

On Air

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

08:20 Shuprobhat
08:45 World Roundup
09:05 Talk Show
09:30 Musical Programme
10:30 Dance Programme: Tarana
11:30 Drama Serial: Neel Konthey Konyia
12:10 Ei Amar Bangladesh
12:30 Shukhi Ponbar
01:00 Dujogey Baachhey Chai
01:30 Baanshuri
02:15 Shapholyo
02:40 Khela Dhula
03:05 Cartoon
03:30 Toboo Swapno Dekhi
04:30 Dance Programme: Nityer Nityer Taley Taley
05:05 Debate
06:15 Matri Bhasha
07:00 Shondhamoloti
07:25 Bazar-er Bag
07:45 Esho Bangladesh Gori
08:35 Agricultural Programme: Krishi Diba Nishi
09:00 Drama Serial
10:30 Band Show
11:00 Talk Show: Dale Line Dhaka

ATN BANGLA

08:15 Aker Shangbadpotro
08:30 Char Deyal-er Kaboy
09:15 Drama Serial: Anyo Boshonto
10:30 Talk Show: Onnyodishti
11:05 Shushtho Thakun
11:35 Musical Programme: Notun Chhobir Gaan
12:15 Motamot
01:30 Cholohtir Golpo
02:30 Daily Soap: Doll's Soap
03:15 Drama Serial: O Amar Chokkhu Hai
03:45 Children's Programme: Chhotoder Prithibi
04:00 Gram Gonjer Khobor
05:10 Health Show: Square Hospital Shushtho Thakun
05:45 Genetic Business Week

06:20 Documentary Programme: Ashay Pasher Manush
08:00 Drama Serial: Swapno Mongol
11:30 Talk Show: Joy Katha Keu Boleni
12:00 Gramenphone Lead News

ETV

08:30 Ekusher Shokaal
09:15 Drama Serial: Ghotok Ebong Amra
10:30 Ekusher Business
12:00 Ekusher Dupur
12:30 Ekusher Business: Special Focus
01:30 Ekusher Business: Shophol Jara
02:30 Drama Serial: Aziz Market Dhaka 1000
03:30 Shomali Shada Kalo
05:30 Sims Mania
05:45 Ekush-er Shondha
06:30 Documentary Programme: Dosh Jury
07:45 Cookery Show: Tomi Mian-r Recipe
08:15 Drama Serial: Akey Shunyo Dash
09:30 Drama Serial: Ghotok Ebong Amra
10:00 Musical Programme: Amar Gaan
10:50 Financial Bulletin
11:40 Total Music

ntv

08:30 Aker Shokaal
08:55 Drama Serial: Amar Bou Shob Janey
09:30 Joto Modhur Bhul Guli
10:05 Drama Serial: Tero Kahon
11:00 Shangkriti Ei Shoptaho
11:30 Tiffin-er Phakey
12:10 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy
01:05 Japan Video Topic
02:30 Drama Serial: Amar Bou Shob Janey
03:15 Musical Programme: Closeup 1 2008
05:25 Iltash-er Ei Din-ey
05:30 Apnar Jigyasha
06:45 Rupali Pordaar Golpo
08:15 Drama Serial: Eit Kath-er Khancha
09:00 Music Express
09:45 Drama Serial: Baishakh Theke Sraon
11:30 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy

Rtv

08:40 Saangeet Ongon
09:00 Drama Serial: Dohon
09:30 Wide Angle
10:03 Drama Serial: Poroshpor
11:00 Talk Show: Kingfisher Taroka Alap
11:30 Cookery Show: R Ranna
12:35 Special Programme: Cinema Ar Cinema

01:03 Protidin
02:30 Bangla Feature Film
06:00 Protidin
06:30 Musical Programme: Path Chaoatei Anondo
08:00 Special Programme
08:35 Fashion Show: Look at Me
09:20 Drama Serial: Dohon
11:00 Drama Serial: Poroshpor
11:30 Biz Event
BANGLAVISION
08:30 Nana Ranger Dinguli



Horek Rang-er Mon
On Banglavisian at 6:50 pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Chitrallekha Guho, Faruk Ahmed

09:00 Agamir Kontho
10:10 Drama Serial: Mondo Bhalo Shada Kalo
10:40 Sports Vision
11:35 Pran-er Gaan
12:30 Shur-er Kathan
02:00 Daily Soap: Mohanagar
02:30 Talk Show: Amar Ami
03:05 X Crime
04:20 Drama Serial: Byasto Doctor
05:30 Drama Serial: Shohor-er Shesh Bari
06:05 Citycell Din-er Sheshey
06:50 Drama Serial: Horek Rang-er Mon
08:25 Daily Soap: Mohanagar
09:05 Cookery Show: Confidence Salt
09:45 Drama Serial: Swapno Chura
11:25 Talk Show: Top Story
12:00 Shongbad Protidin

CHANNEL 1

08:40 Shuprobhat Bangladesh
10:30 Bangla Feature Film
10:30 Moza Marey Foza Bhai
04:00 Rupanitor Golpo
04:30 Shomoyer Aainaye Raajneti
05:15 Cine Tune
06:00 Saaj Bela
06:30 Top News
07:00 Premey Premey Gaaney Gaaney
08:15 Drama Serial: Moyur Bahon
09:00 Nongor

Chronicles

07:00 The Rundown
08:45 Species II
10:15 The Lost City
12:40 Ties That Bind

STAR WORLD

09:00 Friends
09:30 The It Crowd
10:00 Jake In Progress
10:30 Koffee With Karan
11:30 Are U Smarter Than 5th Grader
12:30 Desperate Housewives

02:30 Trapped
03:30 County Jail
04:30 I Didn't Know That
05:00 Snake Wranglers
05:30 Big Bang
06:00 Python Patrol 30
06:30 I Didn't Know That
07:00 What Would Happen If
07:30 Lion
08:30 Top 30 - Inside: North Korea
09:30 Aryan Brotherhood
10:30 Top 30 - Inside: North Korea
11:30 Aryan Brotherhood

02:30 The 60's
03:30 Augusto Pinochet
04:30 Napoleon: Steel Monster
05:30 Russia
06:30 Then And Now
07:30 Cleopatra
08:30 Engines
09:30 Sherlock Holmes
11:30 Desert Aces
12:30 Leopold & Leob/D B Cooper
ZEE STUDIO
08:30 Heroes In Hell



Radio Foorti 88.0 FM

07:00am Hello Dhaka
11:00am Amar 88
03:00pm Dhaka Calling
07:00pm Seven Eleven
12:00am Back to Back music
Radio Today 89.6 FM
07:15am Good Morning Dhaka
11:00am Masti Unlimited
01:00pm Today's Adda
04:00pm U-turn
08:00pm Tobe Tai Hok
11:00pm Raat Vor Gan
02:00 am Back to Back

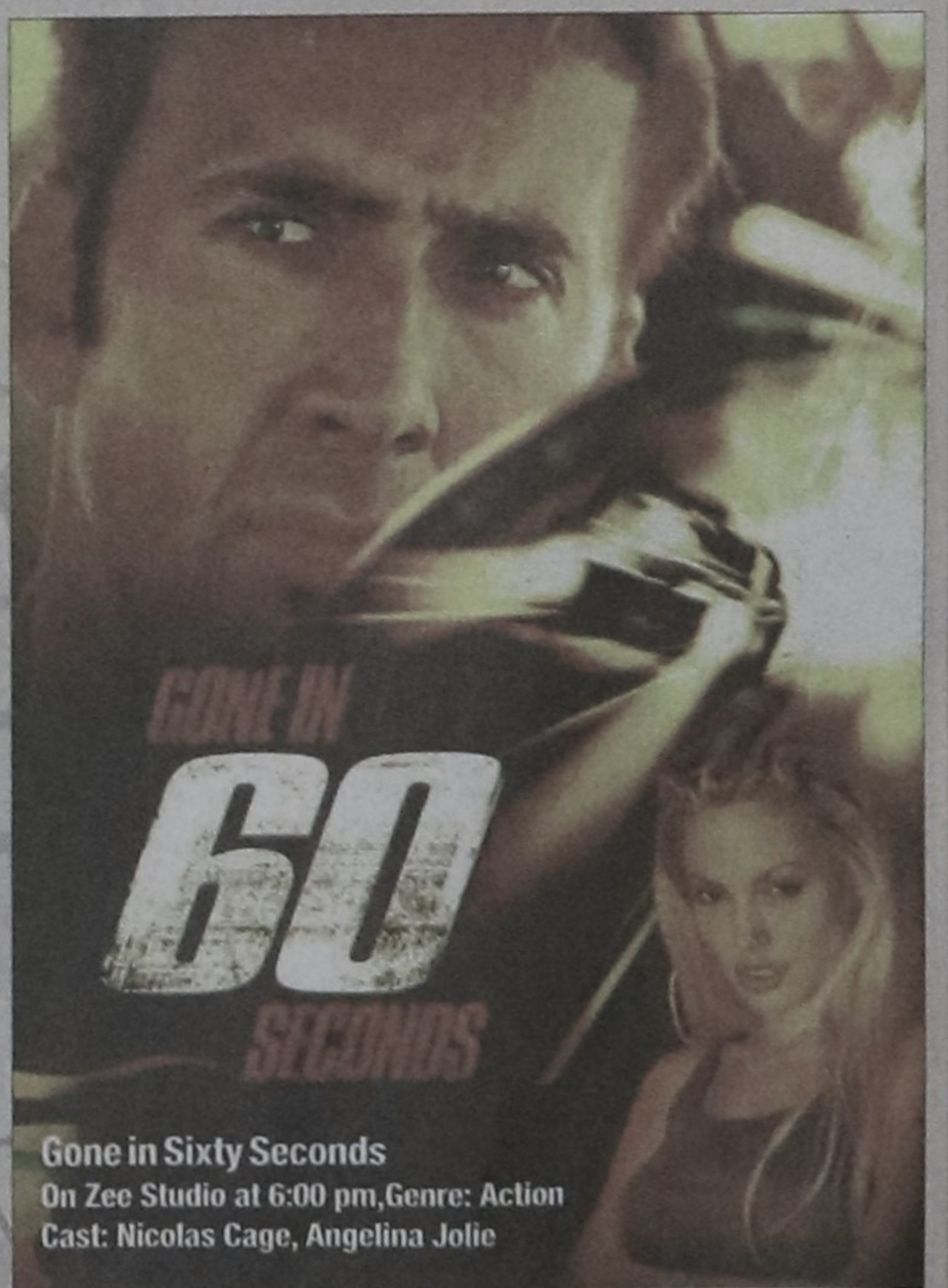
01:30 Brothers & Sisters
02:30 The Ellen Degeneres Show
03:30 The Bold And The Beautiful
04:00 General Hospital
05:00 Koffee With Karan
06:00 Kyle XY
07:00 The Simpsons
07:30 Friends
08:00 Seinfeld
08:30 Life With Bonnie
09:00 According To Jim
09:30 Less Than Perfect
10:30 Last Comic Standing
11:30 Cops
12:30 Friends

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC CHANNEL

11:30 Crossing The Himalaya
12:30 Farther Than The Eye Can See
01:30 Lufthansa Nat Geo Genius
02:00 South American Contrasts

STAR MOVIES

09:00 Baby's Day Out
10:40 Backlash
12:15 Stay
01:55 Never Been Kissed
03:45 THR3E
05:30 Robotech: The Shadow



Gone in Sixty Seconds
On Zee Studio at 6:00 pm, Genre: Action
Cast: Nicolas Cage, Angelina Jolie

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

08:30 Telemail- Sauna Belt
09:30 Then And Now
10:30 Desert Aces
11:30 Eye Max
11:45 Dent King
12:30 Quest for King Arthur

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

11:00 Bed And Board
01:00 Elnews
01:15 The Village
03:30 Venom
05:30 Hollywood's 10 Best
06:00 Gone In Sixty Seconds
08:45 Rhapsody In August
11:00 Blind Guy Driving