

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

### Theatre

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



### Classical Music

Artistes: Harpada Sutradhar (vocal), A. K. Chakravarti (vocal) and Mritunjay Das (flute)  
Organiser: Shudho Sangeet Proshar Goshthi  
Venue: SEL Centre, 29, West Panthopath  
Date: July 31  
Time: 7pm



### Solo Art Exhibition

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



### Exhibition

Title: Bhijay Hoye Kahey Megh  
Featuring designs by artists Hashem Khan, Goyam Chowdhury, Dhruvo Esh, Sabiyasazi Hazra, Mahabubur Rahman and others  
Venue: Gallery Nitya Upchar, Aziz Cooperative Super Market, Shahbagh  
Date: July 5-24  
Time: 10am-6pm



## Birangana Hasna Banu remembered

Memorial programme by Sammilito Sanskritik Jote



Hasan Arif (L) seen with the discussants at the event.

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also included a discussion, participated by noted cultural personality Ramendu Majumdar; social activist Safena Lohani; Mofidul Haque, trustee of the Liberation War Museum; and Golam Kuddus, general secretary, Sammilito Sanskritik Jote. Eminent theatre personality and president of Sammilito Sanskritik Jote, Nasiruddin Yousuff presided over the event. Recitation artiste Hassan Arif was the moderator. In between the speeches, songs and recitations dedicated to the deceased *Birangana* were presented.

The event started with theatre actor Shimul Yousuff, rendering a sombre song *Kando Bangladesh-er manush kando*.

In his speech, Golam Kuddus said, "It is unfortunate that we haven't yet accepted and honoured these women who have borne the brunt of the brutality meted out by the Pakistani army and their collaborators. The nation's responsibility towards these women seems to be limited to conferring them with the title '*Birangana*'. The government should give them state honour just like the freedom fighters."

The urge to arrange funerals with state honour for the *Biranganas* was echoed in other discussants' speeches as well. Safena Lohani described the way Hasna Banu was

treated in her hometown Sirajganj after her death.

"Even the freedom fighters often disregard *Biranganas*. Not a single freedom fighter of Sirajganj attended her funeral. It's a shame for the people of Sirajganj that a memorial programme for Hasna Banu is being held here instead of her hometown," said Safena Lohani, who has been working for rehabilitation of the *Biranganas* in Sirajganj.

"The *Biranganas* have buried their inhuman experiences deep inside their hearts. Those who are still alive, deserve our love and warmth," said Nasiruddin Yusuf.

Sagarika Jamali sang *Ki hoilo shadher jaan khowaiyya*, posing a question how to honour the freedom fighters' sacrifices. Artiste Sharmin Sathi Islam sang *Mukhtir mandir shopan toley* and recitation artiste Jharna Sarker recited from Dr. Neelima Ibrahim's classic work *Ami Birangana Bolchhi* as the programme.

Discussants' also stressed on the demand for trial of the war criminals.

The documentary on Hasna Banu also ends with the resolute *Birangana* asking in her typical Sirajganj accent, "*Aami azakarergo bichar chaai*" (I want war criminals to be punished).

## Bangladesh Mahila Parishad stages play at RU

ABU KALAM RATAN, RU

The Rajshahi University (RU) unit of Bangladesh Mahila Parishad (BMP) staged a play titled *Chourasta* (meaning intersection/crossroads) at Kazi Nazrul Islam Auditorium, RU last Sunday.

The play is written by noted dramatist Professor Moloy Kumar Bhomik and directed by Sandip Mondol.

*Chourasta* features the issue of leadership crisis in the labour community in the country. Poran, the protagonist is a representative of the community. In the play, the community hopes for a social state where all people are equal.

After the disintegration of Soviet Union, the dream of a social state was shattered. Corrupt politicians tried to use the labourers for their own purpose. Under the circumstance, Poran and his comrades cannot decide which way to go. The drama also showcases indecision among the



A scene from the play *Chourasta*

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labourers and the consequence.

The cast included Tapas, Somapon, Purnima, Jewel, Rokon, Ibrahim, Shuvo, Shahadat and others.

Earlier, the same day, RU unit of BMP organised a discussion titled "Women's Movement in Bangladesh: Perspective National Women's Development Policy-2008" at Kazi Nazrul Islam auditorium.

Khanam was the main speaker and urged the government to implement the National Women's Development Policy-2008.

Among others, Professor Hassan Azizul Haque; Professor Sanad Kumar Saha; former Vice-Chancellor Professor Abdul Khalque; Language Movement veteran Abdul Hossain and BMP general secretary Dr Mahbuba Kaniz Keya also spoke at the programme.

## Musical programme

## Weeklong tree fair in Jhenidah

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jhenidah

A grand cultural programme, performed by Shilpi Sangho Institute was held in Jhenidah on July 20. This was held on the occasion of a 4<sup>th</sup> day tree plantation movement and agriculture fair-2008. The initiative was taken by The district administration, agricultural directorate and forest department.

Deputy Commissioner (DC) Abu Syed Fakir of

Jhenidah and Superintendent of police (SP) Jahangir Hossain Matabbar were present in the function.

The students of Shilpi Sangho performed dance and music. The function was conducted by Zakir Hossain Rumi, principal of Shilpi Sangho and Taufiqur Rahman and Manik Hasan Sahriar Zahedi and Quayyum Sahriar Zahedi coordinated the programme. Dhruva, Priithi, Arni, Rupa, Nisha, Esha, Moon, Sazid, Rothi, Mou, Rimki, Sharifa, Zia, Rashed and others performed songs.

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centre took me in. *Birangana* Hasna Banu's trials thus started all over again after she managed to escape from the clutches of the Pakistani army and their collaborators.

On July 21, a memorial programme was held at the Liberation War Museum for the recently deceased Hasna Banu. A documentary was

screened at the event organised by Sammilito Sanskritik Jote. The documentary featured interviews of Hasna Banu. The interviews were recorded when the *Birangana* visited Dhaka -- invited by Sammilito Sanskritik Jote to inaugurate the Victory Day celebration programme last year. The memorial programme

### On Air

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

**BTB**

08:20 Shuprobhat  
09:05 Talk Show  
09:30 Smitimoy Geetimoy  
10:05 Open University  
10:30 Laukik Bangla  
11:20 Desher Gaan  
11:30 Drama Serial  
11:00 Matribhasha  
11:30 Hijol Tomal  
12:15 Debate  
13:05 Cartoon  
13:30 Shukhi Poribar  
14:05 Shilpo O Shahitya  
14:30 Musical Programme: Dolon Chanpa  
15:05 Sinspur  
15:30 Computer  
16:15 Nobo Anande Jago  
17:00 Mati O Manush  
17:20 Nirbachon Katha-2008  
18:35 Drama Serial: Shel Hashi Shel Mukh

09:05 Drama Serial: Mon Chhobi  
10:30 Musical Programme: Agun Jhora Shondha  
11:00 Talk Show

**ATN BANGLA**

08:30 Drama Serial: Syed Barir Bou  
09:15 Drama Serial: Swapno Mongol  
10:30 Talk Show: Onyodrishti  
11:05 Musical Programme: Chirokaal Chirodin  
12:15 IT Zone  
13:30 Musical Programme: Band View  
14:30 Daily Soap: Doll's House  
15:35 Drama Serial: Rupali Manush  
16:35 Neelgiri  
17:30 Islamic Programme  
18:30 Prashongo  
19:20 Take Care  
20:00 Drama Serial: Master Da Shujoshen  
08:40 Drama Serial: Ghar Jamai

**RTV**

09:20 Drama Serial: Raangla Bao  
11:30 Talking Point  
12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

**CHANNEL-i**

09:30 Shangbadpotrey Bangladesh  
09:45 Public Reaction  
09:50 Grameenphone Trio Matra  
11:05 Sports Time  
12:30 Talk Show: Citycell Tarokakathan  
01:05 Musical Programme: Ebong Cinemar Gaan  
01:30 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma  
02:35 Ekatturer Dinguli  
03:05 Musical Programme: Channel I Shera Konho'08  
04:05 Study UK  
04:30 Apnar Shushashtho  
05:30 Mukhtijudho Protidin  
06:00 Drama Serial: Shath Goenda

**RTV**

09:00 Drama Serial: Dahon

10:30 *Ekusher Business*  
12:00 *Ekusher Dupur*  
12:30 *Ekusher Business: Special Focus*  
01:30 *Ekusher Business: Shophol Jara*  
02:30 Drama Serial: *Ghotok Ebong Amra*  
03:30 Cine Hits  
04:00 *Shurraat Haal*  
04:30 *Protikriti*  
05:30 *Sms Mania*  
05:45 *Ekusher Shondhya*  
06:30 *Desh Jurey Shanglaap*  
07:45 *Ashar Chor*  
08:15 *Talk Show: Tini*  
09:30 Drama Serial: *Tomtom*  
10:00 Musical Programme: *Golpo Sholpo Gaan*

**ntv**

08:30 *Ajker Shokaal*  
08:55 Drama Serial: *Eit Kanch-er Khacha*  
09:30 *Crime Watch*  
10:05 *Gallery*  
10:30 *Music Express*  
11:30 *Golpo Kathar Natak*  
12:10 *Ei Shomoy*  
01:05 *Japan Video Topic*  
02:30 Drama Serial: *Eit Kanch-er Khacha*  
03:15 Drama Serial: *Teen Purush*  
03:50 Drama Serial: *Neer*  
05:30 *Apnar Jigyasha*  
06:20 *Shubho Shondhya*  
06:45 *Dance Programme*

**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-tum  
08:00pm Tobe Tai Hok  
11:00pm Raal Vor Gan  
02:00 am Back to Back

**THE HISTORY CHANNEL**

09:30 *Cheese*  
10:30 *Mustang*  
11:30 *Eye Max*  
12:15 *Dent King*  
12:30 *Nero*  
01:30 *Beyond the Big Bang*  
03:30 *Operation Market Garden*  
03:30 *Then And Now*  
04:30 *Cheese*  
05:30 *Jaguar E-Type*  
06:30 *Nero*  
07:30 *Ancient Rome: Modern Stadium*  
08:30 *The Supermarket*  
09:30 *Beneath Vesuvius*  
10:30 *Churchill's Secret Bunker*  
11:30 *Beyond the Big Bang*  
12:30 *Prints All Over It*

**STAR WORLD**

09:30 *My Name Is Earl*

**STAR CHANNEL**

08:00 *Seinfeld*  
08:30 *That '70s Show*  
09:00 *Hope And Faith*  
09:30 *America's Got Talent*  
10:30 *Bones*  
11:30 *Most Shocking*

**ZEE STUDIO**

10:30 *To Be Or Not To Be*  
12:45 *The Sea Inside*  
01:00 *Hollywood's 10 Best*  
03:30 *Miss Marple*  
05:30 *Charlie Chaplin*  
06:00 *Blood Brothers*  
09:00 *A Good Woman*  
11:00 *Downfall*

**STAR PLUS**

10:00 *Kahaani Ghar Ghar Ki*  
11:00 *Haman Devrani*  
12:00 *Raja Ki Aayegi Baraat*  
01:30 *Kumkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan*  
02:00 *Haman Devrani*  
02:30 *Karam Apnaa Apnaa*  
03:00 *Ghnhast*  
03:30 *Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi*  
04:00 *Kayamath*  
06:00 *Raja Ki Aayegi Baraat*  
06:30 *Bidaai*  
07:00 *Haman Devrani*  
07:30 *Sangam*  
08:00 *Santaana*  
08:30 *Raja Ki Aayegi Baraat*  
09:30 *Kis Desh me Hai Meraa Dil*  
09:30 *Bidaai*  
10:00 *Kasturi*  
10:30 *Kahaani Ghar Ghar Ki*  
11:00 *Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi*  
11:30 *Kayamath*  
12:00 *Kya Aap Paanchvi Pass Sa Tez Hai*

**NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC CHANNEL**

12:00 *What Would Happen If*  
01:30 *Big Cat Challenge*  
02:30 *Osaka Train Crash*  
03:30 *Super Pride*  
04:30 *I Didn't Know That*  
05:00 *Snake Wranglers*  
05:30 *Big Bang*  
06:00 *School of Hard Crocs*  
06:30 *I Didn't Know That*  
07:00 *What Would Happen If*  
07:30 *Cats*  
08:30 *NGC HD Showcase*  
09:30 *World's Deadliest Animals S2*  
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11:30 *World's Deadliest Animals S2*  
12:30 *Cats*

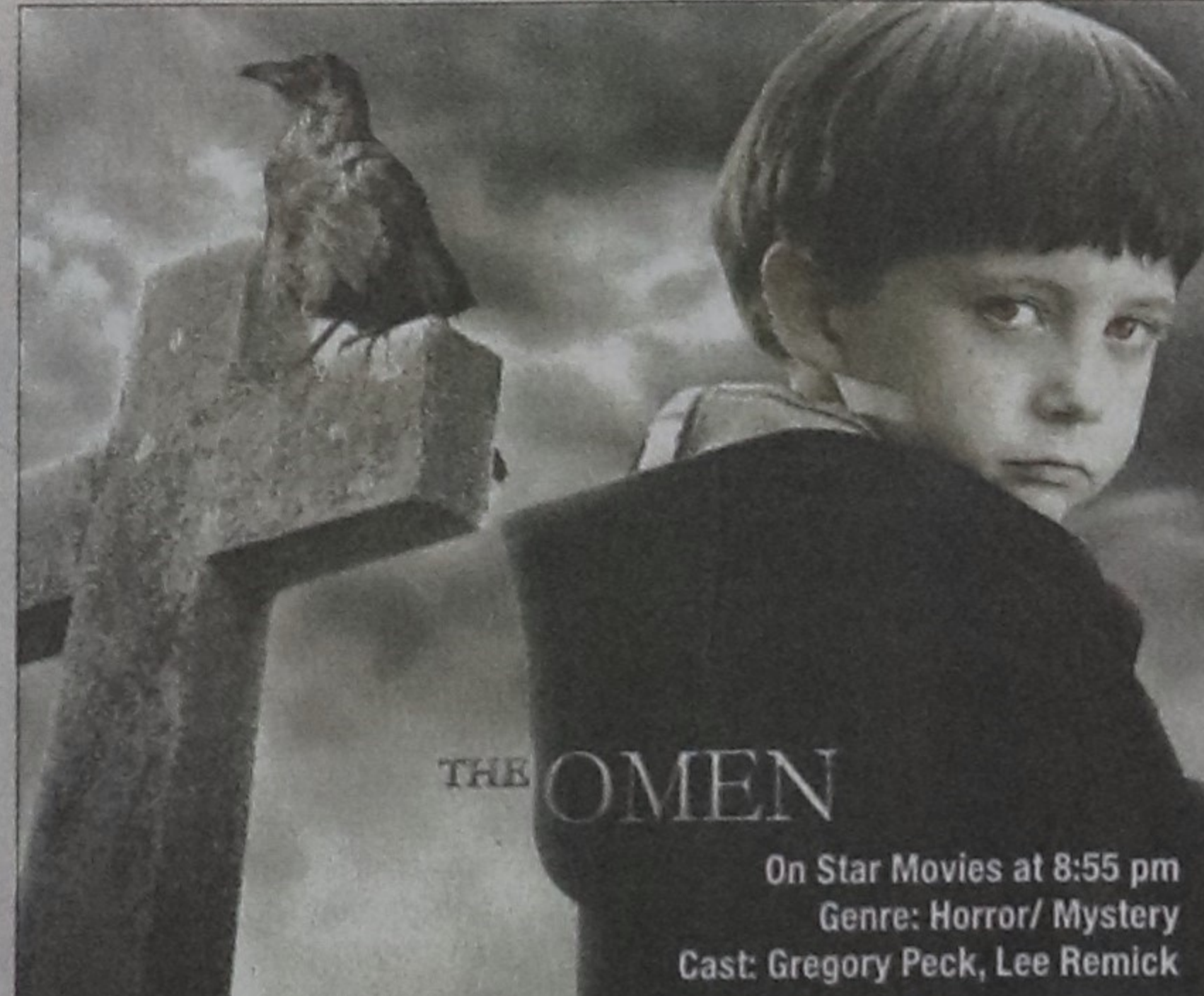


**Ghar Jamai**  
On ATN Bangla at 8:40 pm  
Drama Serial  
Cast: Azizul Hakim, Lara Lotus



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**THE OMEN**

On Star Movies at 8:55 pm  
Genre: Horror / Mystery  
Cast: Gregory Peck, Lee Remick

10:45 *Gordy*  
12:20 *Night Of Terror*

**HBO**

09:00 *The Babysitter*  
10:45 *Just Your Luck*  
12:30 *Superman II*  
03:00 *October Sky*  
05:15 *United 93*  
07:30 *The Challenge (2003)*  
09:30 *Darfur Now*  
11:30 *The Departed*

10:00 *Stalked*  
10:30 *Koffee With Karan*  
11:30 *Ghost Hunters*  
12:30 *Prison Break*  
01:30 *Brothers & Sisters*  
03:30 *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*