

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

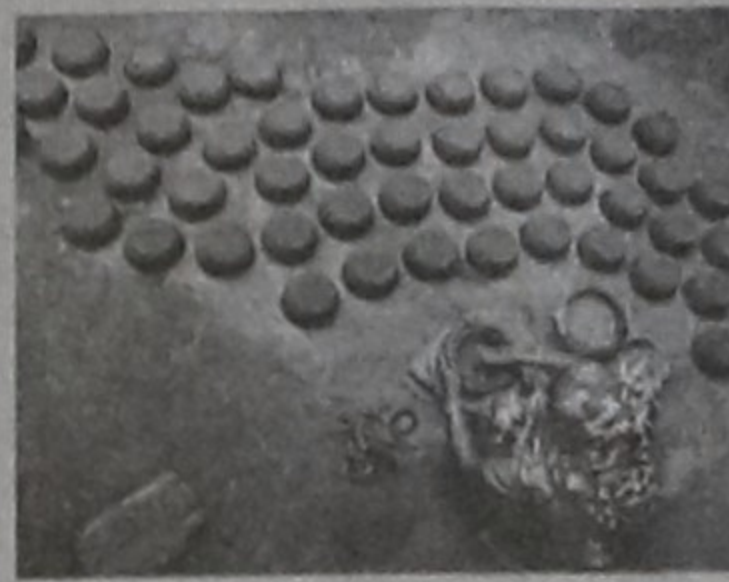
## Tagore Theatre Festival, Chittagong

Organiser: Tirjak Natya Dal  
Title: Bishorjan  
Troupe: Tirjak Natya Dal  
Venue: Theatre Institute Chittagong  
Date: August 3 at 7 pm



## Photography Exhibition

Title: Shudhui Bangla  
Organiser: Shudhui Bangla Photographic Association  
Venue: Drik Gallery, H 58, Rd 15A (New), Dhanmondi  
Date: July 31-August 4  
Time: 3pm-8pm



## Solo Painting Exhibition

Title: Perception II  
Artist: Subrata Das  
Venue: Alliance Francaise, 26, Mirpur Road, Dhanmondi  
Date: July 25-August 6  
Time: 9am-12pm and 5pm-8pm (Saturdays 5pm-8pm)



## Photography Exhibition

Title: International Inter University Photography Exhibition  
Organiser: NSU Photography Club  
Venue: National Art Gallery, BSA  
Date: August 3-9  
Time: 11am-7pm



## Cinema Fair '08 at BFDC

Industry hopes for a revival



Award recipients with Information Secretary Jamil Osman (3rd from R). (L-R) Renowned actor-director Sohel Rana and eminent director Soovas Dutt with visitors at the fair.



Eminent playback singer Abida Sultana performs at the programme.

ERSHAD KAMOL

It was a huge gathering of film directors, actors, behind the screen workers, producers, distributors, researchers and cine journalists at Bangladesh Film Develop-

ment Corporation (BFDC) premises yesterday. Persons involved with film industry enthusiastically participated in the daylong Cinema Fair '08, the first of its kind in the country.

The fair was organised to celebrate a

golden moment in the history of film industry of Bangladesh: premiere of *Mukh O Mukhosh*, the first 'talkie' in this part of Bengal. Abdul Jabbar Khan's *Mukh O Mukhosh* was premiered on August 2 and was commercially released on August 3, 1956.

Secretary of Ministry of Information Jamil Osman inaugurated the fair, which was jointly organised by BFDC and Channel-i.

The BFDC premises was well decorated with photographs of renowned film actors, directors, cinematographers and editors. Moreover, there were many posters of the box-office hits in the history of film industry. People also flocked to different stalls to watch the documents of films as well as actors and directors at the pavilions.

Moreover, cultural programmes continued at venues-- Zahir Raihan Venue and Khan Ataur Rahman Venue-- in which leading playback singers and actors performed.

Information Secretary Jamil Osman said, "We like to boost BFDC based films, which had been in peril for over many years. We hope the arrangement will encourage the people involved with film industry."

A.N.M. Badrul Amin, managing director of BFDC, said, "Our intention is to generate interest in cinema. At the fair

there will be exchange of ideas and get together of seasoned and young actors, directors and technical hands, which will be encouraging for films."

"We are celebrating the date of premiering *Mukh O Mukhosh*, with the hope to revive the golden era of our film industry. We will organise the programme regularly," he added.

As the arrangement of the fair was quite expensive, BFDC jointly organised the event with Channel-i, Badrul Amin further added.

Faridur Reza Sagar, managing director of Impress Telefilms Limited, said, "We are really proud to be a part of the programme. Over the years, Impress Telefilms Limited is actively contributing for the development of film industry by producing a good number of quality movies."

Renowned actors, directors and technical hands also hoped for regular arrangement of such fairs. They also demanded holistic approach from the government for the development of film industry of Bangladesh.

A total of 18 renowned artistes were awarded at the programme for their remarkable contribution in various sectors in cinema such as acting, directing, cinematography, film editing, dance direction, music composing, lyric, art direction, playback singing and action direction.

## TV Watch

## Drama serial "Shoa Paanch Arai Lane" on ATN Bangla



Mosharraf Karim (L) and Chanchal Chowdhury in a scene from the serial.

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

ATN Bangla will telecast the 10th episode of drama serial *Shoa Paanch Arai Lane* tonight at 8:00 pm.

The serial revolves around a hundred year old hostel in Old Dhaka and its occupants. Every day the hostel is visited by people

of different ages, places and background. As the story unfolds, the interactions between the different lodgers are brought to light. Their day-to-day events often lead to hilarious consequences and the story proceeds on.

Written by Mominul Islam, *Shoa Paanch Arai Lane* is directed by Golam Sohrab Dudul. The cast

includes Dr. Inamul Haq, Challenger, Shirin Alam, Mosharraf Karim, Fazlur Rahman Babu, Chitralekha Guho, Wahida Mallik Jolly, Chanchal Chowdhury, Al Monsur, Tazin Ahmed, Tisha, Momo, Tushar Khan, Rahmat Ali, Ahsanul Haque Minu, Eresh Zaker, Joyraj, Tania and others. The serial is aired every Sunday.

## People secures Jolie-Pitt photos

People magazine has secured the US rights to the first photographs of Hollywood film stars Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt's newborn twins.

Pictures of Vivienne Marcheline and Knox Leon, born on 12 July, will appear in its Monday edition.

The magazine's managing editor Larry Hackett said: "They will delight our readers who have followed the growth of the Jolie-Pitt family."

Meanwhile Hello! will publish the first photographs of the twins in the UK.

The magazine's outbid rival publication OK! for the exclusive pictures, which are estimated to be worth £5.5m.

The celebrity glossy has brought forward publication of the issue featuring the images to 4 August.

Angelina gave birth to Knox and Vivienne at the Lenval hospital in southern France.

Hello! also secured the rights to the first photos of Jolie and Pitt's first daughter together, Shiloh Nouvel, who was born in Namibia in 2006.

The celebrity couple also have three adopted children - six-year-old Maddox, from Cambodia, Zahara, 3, from Ethiopia, and four-year-old Pax from Vietnam.

Jolie and Pitt, dubbed Brangelina by the press, are expected to donate the fee for the photographs to charity.

Source: BBC



Jolie and Pitt have six children

The final selection round of "Bexifabrics Anyadin Eid Fashion Competition 2008" was held at the WVA Auditorium, Dhanmondi on August 1, says a press release. The panel of judges included Alamgir Jalil, chief executive of Inspiration School of Design and Technology; TV anchor Sanjida Akhter; well-known dancer Mummun Ahmed; beautician Kaniz Almas Khan; journalist Munni Saha; Hasina Ahmed of Rtv; and fashion designers Jahangir Karim, Nilanjana Ghosh and Sharmin Jahan Naomi. The clothes were judged on the basis of their design, weaving, colour, price, etc.



PHOTO: MUMIT M

An upcoming artiste recites at the "Abritti Utshab 2008" organised by Songbrita Abritti Charcha O Bikash Kendra on the occasion of the 3rd anniversary of the organisation. The two-day long festival, which commenced on August 01, was held at the National Theater Stage, Shilpakala Academy. Participants from Dhaka and other parts of Bangladesh presented solo and group recitations during the festival.