

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Solo Sculpture Exhibition

Title: My loving friends & the nature
Artist: Ferdousy Priyabhashini
Venue: DOTS Contemporary Arts Centre, 191/A Haque Tower (2nd floor), Tejgaon-Gulshan Link road, Tejgaon I/A
Date: August 1-13
Time: 11am-8pm (2pm-8pm on Fridays)



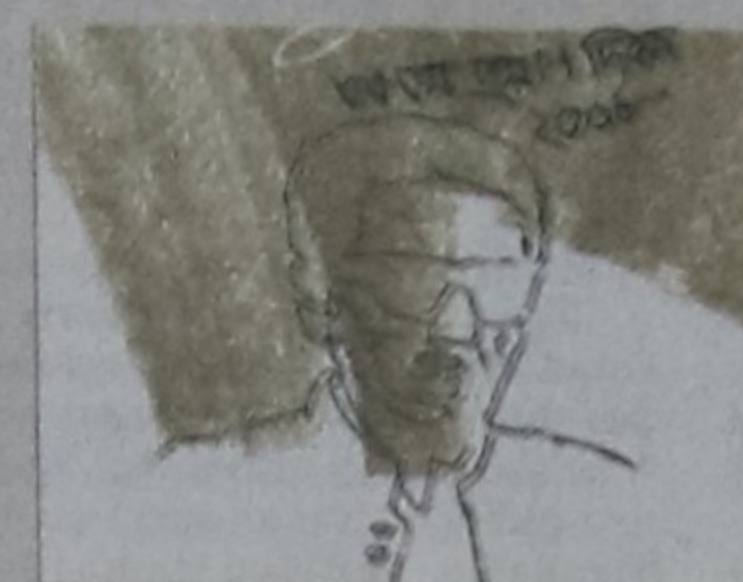
Group Art Exhibition

Artists: Ranjit Das, Biren Shom and others
Venue: Gallery Shilpangan, H 26, Rd 3, Dhanmondi
Date: August 1-8
Time: 11am-8pm



Death Anniversary

of Sikandar Abu Zafar
Organiser: Bengal Foundation
Venue: Bengal Shilpalay, 275/F, Road 27 (Old), Dhanmondi
Date: August 5
Time: 6 pm



Theatre

Play: Amputation
Troupe: Centre for Asian Theatre
Venue: National Theatre Stage, BSA
Date: August 7
Time: 7pm



Homage to Zahir Raihan

ERSHAD KAMOL

Today is the birthday of celebrated filmmaker Zahir Raihan. Originally named Zahirullah, the filmmaker became popular as Zahir Raihan. The legendary filmmaker's repertoire includes *Jiban Thekey Neya* and *Kancher Deyal*, which are considered one of the very few classics in the history of our film industry. Because of its unique form and style, his documentary *Stop Genocide*, featuring the brutality of the Pakistani military during the Liberation War, is ranked one of the top 10 documentaries of its kind in the world.

In 1952, Raihan went to Calcutta to learn photography and enrolled in Pramathesh Barua Memorial Photography School. He stepped into the film world in 1956. *Kakhono Asheni*, his first film, was released in 1961.

Like other renowned filmmakers of the sub-continent such as Satyajit Ray and Mrinal Sen, Zahir Raihan also made movies based on literature. But, while the other filmmakers made movies based on others' novels, Raihan used to make movies based on his own literary works.

A winner of Bangla Academy Award for his novel *Hajar Bachhar Dhorey*, Zahir Raihan has written several acclaimed works such as *Shesh Bikere Meye*, *Arek Falgun*, *Baraf Gola Nadi* and *Aar Koto Din*.

When he made big screen adaptation of his novel, it became even more appealing and aesthetically powerful. Renowned filmmaker Badal



Zahir Raihan

Rahman said, "Raihan's popular film *Kancher Deyal* is based on his own novel with the same title. The film proves his mastery as a filmmaker."

"He always experimented on celluloid. Moreover, he was a great organiser who used to inspire people to work in films. Many directors like me came to

the industry, inspired by Zahir Raihan," Rahman added.

A communist by conviction, Zahir Raihan was directly involved with the progressive movement in the country. He used to express his reactions to the movements with his cinema.

He was one of the first 10 students to take part in a procession

on February 21, 1952 despite there a ban on such activities. He and many others were arrested and then taken to prison.

His movie *Jiban Thekey Neya* depicted the autocratic rule of the Pakistani junta and inspired the people to protest. He started making an English film *Let There be Light*, which he could not finish as the Liberation War broke out. After March 25, 1971, he went to Calcutta and produced a documentary film *Stop Genocide* highlighting the massacre of the unarmed civilians by the Pakistani army. This film created a sensation all over the world.

Eminent film director Tareque Masud said, "Zahir Raihan will always remain an idol to the younger generation, especially for his dedication towards the society and his direct involvement with the progressive movement. To depict the Liberation War, he even changed his presentation style, to suit the documentary."

As a filmmaker Zahir Raihan is a part of our film history in many ways. Raihan's Urdu film *Sangam* was the first coloured film in undivided Pakistan. Another Urdu film, *Bahana*, directed by him was made in cinemascop format.

For his contribution to films, Zahir Raihan received many national awards including Ekushey Padak and Swadhinata Padak.

"With his disappearance on January 30, 1972, our film industry lost its guide. As a result we could not develop our industry the way we wanted," said Badal Rahman.

"His works should be pre-

served and documented properly," said Tareque Masud.

To celebrate the 72nd birth anniversary of this film legend, Bangladesh Film Development Corporation (BFDC) and fortnightly entertainment magazine *Anando Alo* have jointly organised a discussion programme today at 11 am at the Experimental Theatre Stage, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy.

Information Secretary Jamil Osman will be the chief guest while eminent playwright Syed Shamsul Haq and Raihan's sibling Shahenshah Begum will attend the programme as special guests. Afzal Chowdhury, who was the cinematographer of most of Raihan's films, and popular cine-journalist Chinmoy Mutsuddi will also speak at the programme. The discussion will be presided over by A.N.M. Badrul Amin, managing director of BFDC.

The discussion will be followed by screening of clips from Raihan's films such as *Let There be Light* and *Stop Genocide*. Moreover, clips from a documentary on Zahir Raihan made by his nephew Sabir Ahmed Shuvo, an expatriate, will be screened.

On the arrangement of the programme, A.N.M. Badrul Amin informed, "Though it's our duty to uphold the memories of Zahir Raihan, not enough is being done in that regard. We should arrange special programmes to introduce him to the younger generation."

However, everyone involved with the film industry wants Zahir Raihan's birth anniversary to be observed nationally, as without him our film industry is incomplete.

"Jotsnakaal" on ATN Bangla

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

The second episode of ATN Bangla's new drama serial *Jotsnakaal* will be aired tonight at 9:20 pm. Written by Bipasha Hayat, the serial is directed by Tauquir Ahmed.

The plot of the serial centres on Shojol, a village lad coming to the city in search of a job. In the city, Shojol does get a job and, he gradually gets in touch with a number of people from different spheres of society. They deeply influence his life; to a puzzled Shojol, they remain strangers. Shojol fails to find any similarities with them—except one. They are all in search of moonlight. All are waiting for the moment when the moon emerge from behind the clouds.

Popular actors Abul Hayat, Al Mansur, Dolly Zahur, Afroza Banu, Tauquir Ahmed, Bipasha



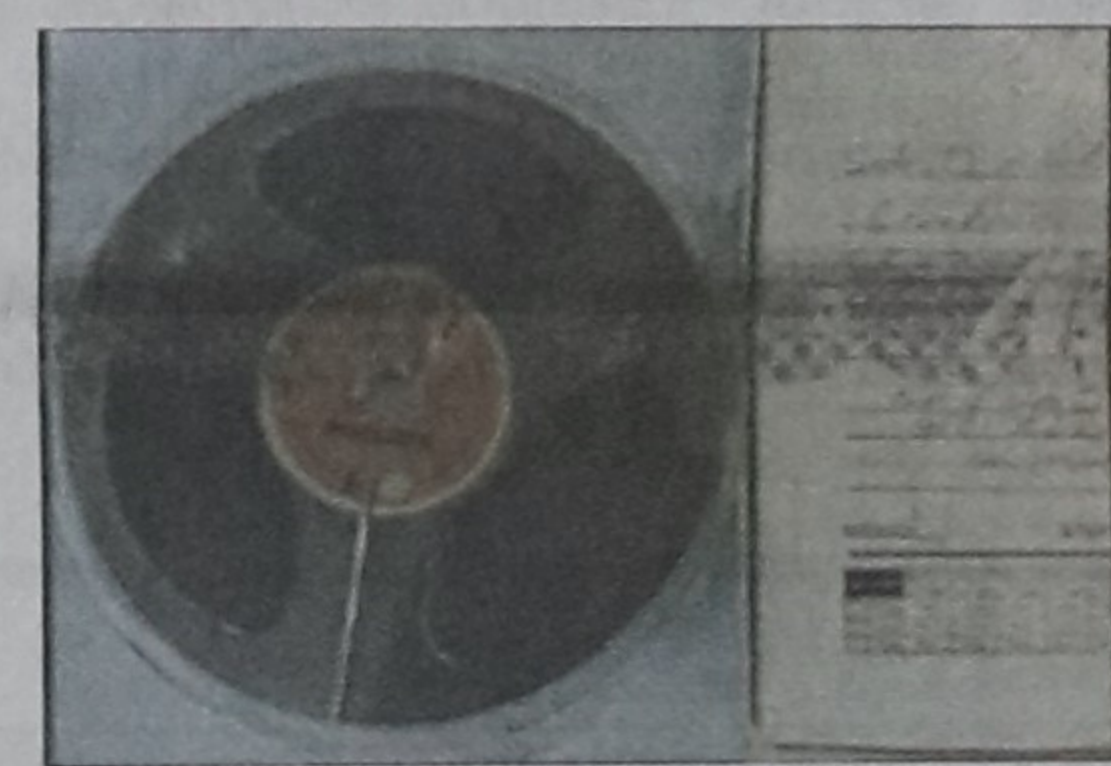
Richi Solaiman and Bipasha Hayat in the play.

Hayat, Richi Solaiman, Fazlur Rahman Babu, Mosharraf Karim, Chandni, Kushum Sikdar and others form the cast in the serial.

Humorous Beatles tape to be sold

A tape of a Beatles recording session in which John Lennon and Paul McCartney are heard cracking jokes and breaking into giggles, is to be auctioned off.

The 30-minute tape, thought to have been recorded in 1964, is expected to fetch between £8,000 and £12,000 when it goes under the hammer on Tuesday.



The music recording also contains conversation and banter.

It includes a recording of the band's attempt to record *I'll follow the sun*.

The tape was found during an attic clearance by the son of a man who had worked in the music industry.

The reel-to-reel recording contains songs composed by John Lennon and Sir Paul McCartney as well as versions of other artists' tracks, according to auction house Cameo.

During the recording of *I'll follow the sun* Lennon says: "I'm not looking at you," to which McCartney replies: "You were".

Lennon then says: "It's just going to get funnier and funnier as the evening goes on."

McCartney adds: "Let's just try this once more and it's the last one that's hard lines."

The band managed to complete a recording of the song without interruption later in the tape.

The man who found the recording wished to remain anonymous, but the auction house have revealed that it was discovered in the north of England.

In a recent auction in London last month the drum skin used on the cover of The Beatles' Sgt Pepper album sold for £541,250.

Source: BBC



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

On Air

BTV

08:20 Shuprobhat
09:30 Smritimoy Geetimoy
10:30 Golpo Theke Natok
11:30 Oitijher Chalkhira
12:30 Maa O Shishur Katha
01:00 Unushlon
01:30 Mali O Manush
02:40 Dhan Shaliker Desh
03:05 Moner Kolha
03:30 Shukhi Ponbaar
04:30 Musical Programme: Geet Bitaan
05:30 Krishi Dibanishi
07:00 Shombhabonar Noya Digonto
07:25 Drama Serial: Bhalo Achhi Bhalo Theko
10:30 Musical Programme
11:00 Talk Show: Date Line Dhaka

ATN BANGLA

08:30 Drama Serial: Chorkuthuri
09:15 Drama Serial: Shoya Paanch Arai Lane
10:30 Talk Show: Onnyodrishti
11:15 Three Stooges
12:25 Shamali Shadakalo
01:25 ATN Music
02:30 Daily Soap: Doll's House
03:15 Mega Serial: O Amar Chokkhur Nai
03:45 Children's Programme
04:20 Shomali Din
05:40 Obiram Bangladesh
08:00 Drama Serial: Mouchakey Dhill
08:45 Drama Serial: Star
09:20 Drama Serial: Joyotsnakaal
11:30 Entertainment Show: Rang Manchoyo Taal
12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

CHANNEL i

08:05 Tagore Song
09:30 Shangbadpolre Bangladesh
09:45 Public Reaction
09:50 Grameenphone Tritomatra
11:05 Cricket On Line
11:30 Amar Chhobi

12:30 Citycell Taroka Katha
01:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan
01:30 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma
02:35 Ekattur-er Dinguli
03:05 i Sports
03:30 Hridoyer Gaan
04:40 Saangeet Mala
05:30 Multijuddho Protidin
07:30 Channel i Shera Kontho -08
11:30 Drama Serial: Astey Astey Astey

ETV

08:00 Akter Potrika
08:30 Ekush-er Shokaal
09:15 Drama Serial: Ghatok Ebong Amra
10:30 Ekush-er Business
12:00 Ekusher Dupur
12:30 Ekushey Business: Special Focus
01:30 Ekushey Business: Shophol Jara
02:30 Drama Serial: Ghatok Ebong Amra
03:30 Katha ar Gaan-ey
04:00 Musical Programme: Spondon
05:45 Ekusher Shondhya
06:30 Chhondhey Shure Desh Jurey
07:45 Suraat Haal
08:15 Drama Serial: Akey Shunya 10
09:30 Drama Serial: Tomtom
10:10 O Bondhu Amar
11:40 Ei Shopathar Bishwa

RTV

09:00 Drama Serial: Dohon
09:30 Ei Amar Bangladesh
10:03 Drama Serial: Poroshpor
11:00 Kingfisher Taroka Alap
11:30 Cookery Chow: R Ranna
12:15 Cinema ar Gaan
12:35 Documentary Programme: Apon Shilmanay
01:03 Made in Bangladesh
01:30 Dhaliwood Beats
02:30 Bangla Feature Film
06:00 Protidin
06:35 Puppet Show
08:00 Just Band
08:30 Heart Beat
09:03 Drama Serial: Chhaya Shongi
11:00 Drama Serial: Dohon
11:30 Biz Event

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08:30 Akter Shokaal
08:55 Drama Serial: Amar Bou Shob Janey
09:30 Rupali Pordar Golpo
10:05 Kichhu Katha Kichhu Gaan
10:30 Music Express
11:00 Alochon
12:10 Ei Shomoy
01:05 Japan Video Topic

02:30 Drama Serial: Amar Bou Shob Janey
03:15 Glamour World
03:50 Drama Serial: Baishakh Theke Sraon
04:25 Gallery
05:30 Apnar Jigyasha
06:20 Shubho Shondhya
06:45 Crime Watch
07:15 ntv Deshey Deshey
08:15 Drama Serial: Eit Khather Khancha
09:00 ntv Shamoyiki



Mohanagar
On Banglavisian at 8:25 pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Apurbo, Sumaiya Shimu

09:45 Drama Serial: Neer
11:25 Ei Shomoy
08:30 Children's Programme: Ichhey Ghuri
09:00 Banglavisian Cafe
10:10 Drama Serial: Swapnochura
10:40 Talk Show: Amar Ami
11:35 Visa Apnar Agami
12:30 Japan Video Topic
02:00 Daily Soap: Mohanagar
02:40 Shur-er Bhuban
04:20 X Crime
05:30 Drama Serial: Horek Rang-er Mon
06:05 Talk Show: Din-er Sheshey
06:20 Children's Programme: Ebong Class-er bairey
06:50 Cinebit
08:25 Daily Soap: Mohanagar

09:25 Agamir Kontho
11:25 Street Show: Raat Biraatey
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DISCOVERY CHANNEL

07:30 Rhodes Across India
08:30 Piranha Adventure
09:30 Smash Lab
10:30 Building The Future
11:30 America's Most Haunted Places
12:30 Truth About Food
01:30 Hunters
02:30 Ultimate Olympics
03:30 Smash Lab
04:30 Piranha Adventure
05:30 America's Most Haunted Places
06:30 Oil, Sweat And Rigs (Season 2)
07:30 Hunters
08:30 Into Alaska With Jeff Corwin
09:30 Man Vs. Wild (Season 2)
10:30 Futureweapons (Season 2)
11:30 Mega Builders

STAR MOVIES

10:45 Ready To Wear
01:00 Capote
02:55 Clean Slate
04:45 Rock, The
07:00 Epic Movie
08:25 Bandidas
10:00 Air Guitar Nation
11:25 Glory Road

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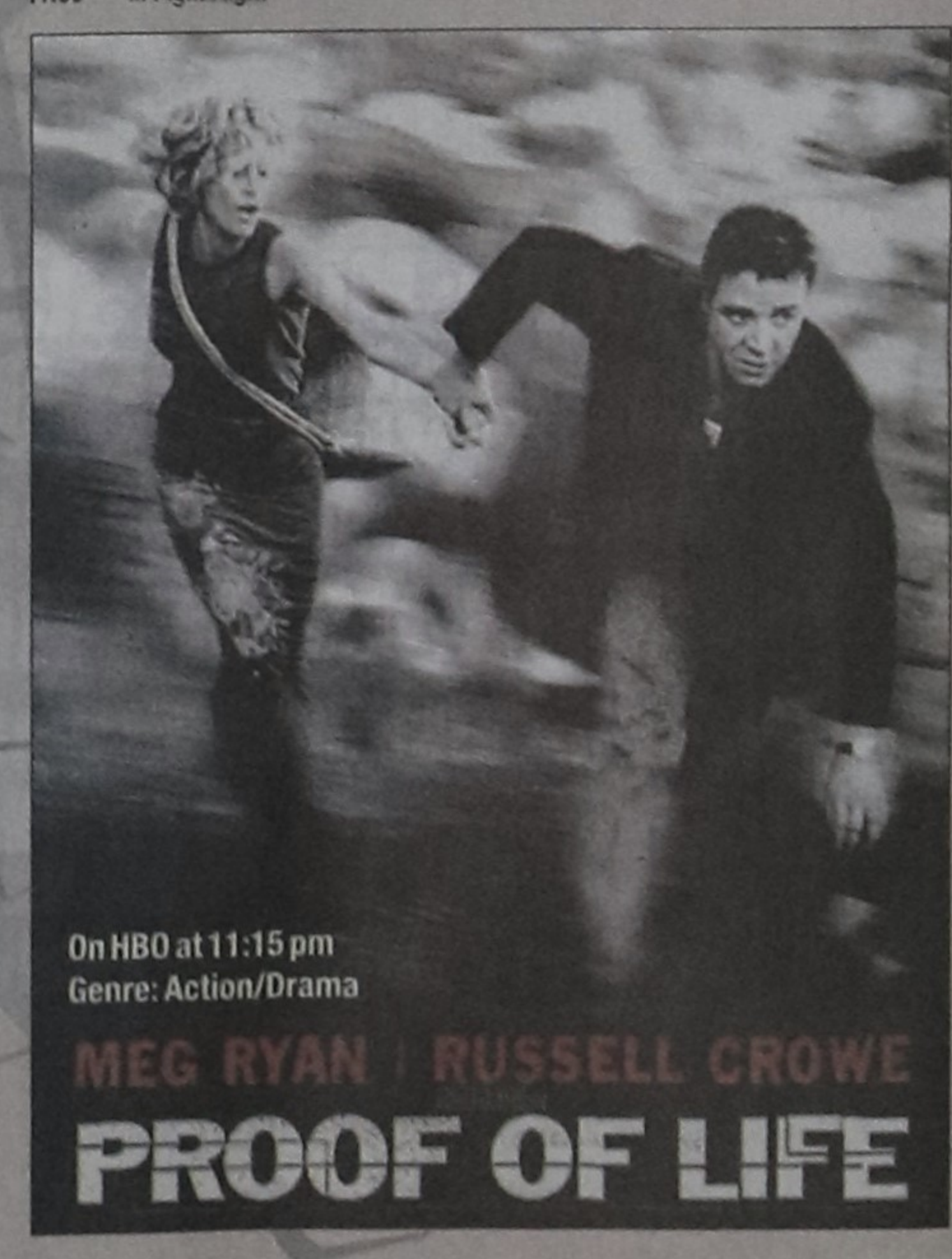
09:30 Hollywood's 10 Best : Cat Fights

Radio Forth 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-hum
08:00pm Tobe Tai Hok
11:00pm Raat Vor Gan
02:00 am Back to Back

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

09:30 Modern Marvels
11:30 Ancient China
12:15 Dent King
12:30 The Fight
01:30 Wuthering Heights
03:30 Beyond the Big Bang
04:30 Modern Marvels
05:30 Ford GT-40

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08:30 Modern Marvels
09:30 Secrets of the Sun
10:30 Mera India
11:30 Mini Cooper
09:30 Life With Bonnie
10:30 According To Jim
11:30 Koffee With Karan
12:30 Last Comic Standing
01:00 Laureus Sports Awards 2008
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 Falcon Beach
07:00 The Simpsons
07:30 Friends
08:00 Seinfeld
08:30 My Name Is Earl
09:00 Stacked
09:30 The Moment Of Truth
10:30 Prison Break
11:30 The Fight Night



On HBO at 11:15 pm
Genre: Action/Drama

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