

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

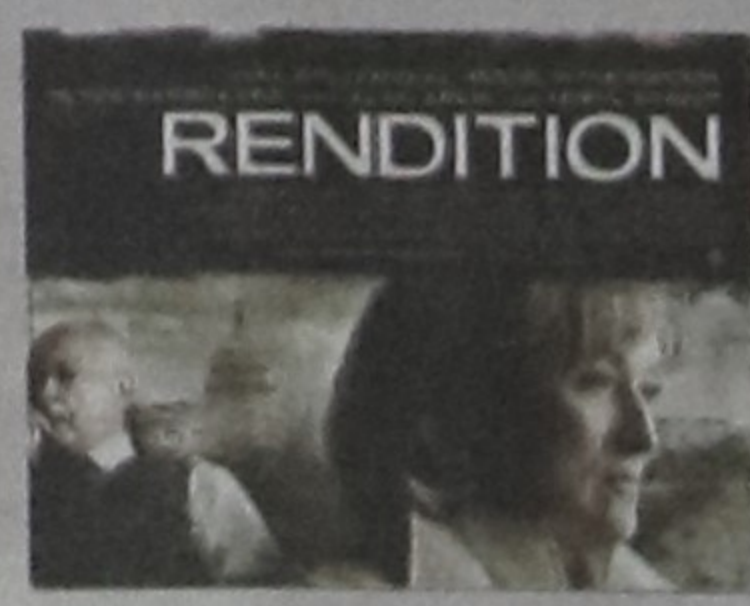
Selim Al Deen Janmo Utsab
Organiser: Dhaka Theatre and Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy
Venue: National Theatre Stage, BSA
Date: August 18-23
Time: 7pm everyday
August 21
Play: Nimojon



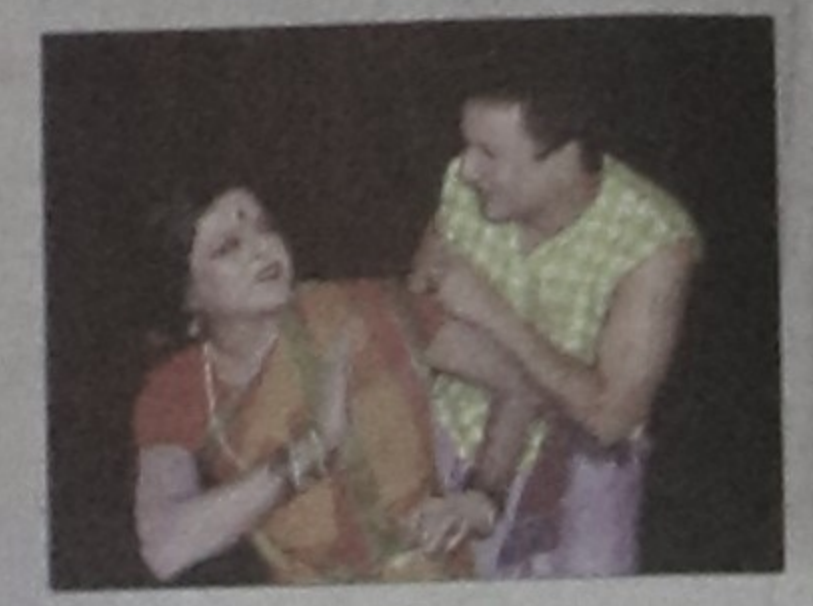
Srotar Ashor
Artistes: Laiza Ahmed, Md. Sifat Ullah, S M Khaleed and Sazia Hossain
Organiser: Chhayana
Venue: Chhayana Sangskriti Bhaban
Date: August 21
Time: 7pm



African Film Festival '08
Organiser: Zahir Raihan Film Society and Alliance Francaise
Venue: Alliance Francaise, 26, Mirpur Rd, Dhanmondi
Date: August 22
Hotel Rwanda-10am, *Rendition*-5pm, *Shooting Dogs*-7pm



Theatre
Play: Shonal Madhab
Troupe: Loko Natyadal
Venue: Experimental Theatre Stage, BSA
Date: August 21
Time: 7pm



Dhaka Club honours Kalim Sharafi 97th anniversary of the organisation



Kalim Sharafi (centre) receives his award.

NADIA SARWAT
Dhaka Club, a premier club that has flourished throughout almost a century, celebrated its 97th anniversary on August 19 at the club. On the occasion, Dhaka Club conferred a "Lifetime Achievement Award" to eminent cultural personality and Tagore exponent Kalim Sharafi, a member of the club since 1963. He was awarded Ekushe Padak (1986) and Swadhinata Padak (2000) for his contribution to the cultural sector of the country.

The weeklong celebration was inaugurated by Sadat Hossain Selim, president, Dhaka Club along with the members of the executive committee -- releasing 97 coloured balloons. The evening session titled "Anjali Lohor Mor" was divided into two parts, the award giving ceremony and a musical soiree featuring noted Tagore artists Rezwana Chowdhury Bannya and Sadi Mohammad. As several senior and junior members of the club gathered at the event, it became a hearty get-together.

Eminent theatre personality Ramendu Majumder was the master of ceremonies. "In an unregistered office building in old Dhaka, the club started its journey in 1911 -- a time of great political upheaval

sary," said Sadat Hossain Selim. He also announced the "Club Legend Award 2008", which is given to 22 senior members of the club who have made significant contributions in enriching the club's traditions. Award of Excellence were also conferred to 14 members of the club in various fields including club publication, cricket, golf, snooker, tennis, squash and more at the programme.

Litterateur Syed Shamsul Haque rendered two poems of Rabindranath Tagore in honour of Kalim Sharafi and other award winners.

Sadat Hossain Selim and Khalid Hassan, director of Grameen Phone (official sponsor of the event) handed the award to Kalim Sharafi. "I doubt whether I deserve the honour or not, but my heart accepts it with gratitude," said the artiste receiving the award. He also expressed his contentment at the positive changes in the club. The "Club Legend" award and the "Award of Excellence" were conferred by former presidents of the club. Professor Rehman Sobhan, Aminur Rahman Khan, Chowdhury Tanvir Ahmed Siddiqui, Abdul Hamid Chowdhury, M. Mayeedul Islam and Khandaker Asaduzzaman were among the award winners.

In the second session of the event, Rezwana Chowdhury Bannya and Sadi Mohammad entertained the audience with their songs well into the midnight. The celebration will continue throughout the week with much fanfare and festivity.

Works by Bangladeshi artists acclaimed in Seoul



Artists Kalidas Karmakar (2nd from right) and Mohammad Eunus (left) with the director of Gallery Mokkumto, Sun Jin-Lee (centre).

An exhibition of works by Bangladeshi painters was inaugurated at Gallery Mokkumto, located in downtown Seoul, South Korea on August 19 evening. The exhibition displays some 40 works by three renowned Bangladeshi artists - Mahmudul Haque, Kalidas Karmakar and Mohammad Eunus, according to a press release.

The exhibition has been jointly organised by the Embassy of Bangladesh and Youngone Corporation, the largest South Korean investor in Bangladesh.

Local art enthusiasts, journalists, government officials, members of the diplomatic community and Bangladeshi expats attended the inauguration of the exhibition. The artworks were widely acclaimed.

The Bangladeshi Ambassador to South Korea, Shahidul Islam, expressed hope that the exhibition would further enhance understanding and mutual respect between the peoples of Bangladesh and South Korea.

"We will continue to support such cultural events in line with Foreign Adviser Dr. Iftekhar Ahmed Chowdhury's emphasis on promotion of Bangladeshi culture in friendly countries," said the Ambassador.

Youngone Corporation Chairman Kihak Sung noted in his welcome address that South Korea and Bangladesh have established close economic relations, which should be supported by concomitant cultural exchange.

"We are happy to exhibit our works at the prestigious Gallery Mokkumto," said Kalidas Karmakar, who is travelling from the United States to participate at the exhibition.

The exhibition will continue till August 28, 2008.

Mark David Chapman tells his version of John Lennon slay

The man who killed John Lennon says he's sorry he shot the legendary rocker but disputed media reports on how the murder went down.

"I shot him in the back," Mark David Chapman told a two-person Parole Board panel last week during a hearing before being denied release for a fifth time.

He denied longstanding media accounts that he called out to Lennon as he and his wife, Yoko Ono, returned to their Dakota building apartment after a late-night recording session.

"I don't recall saying, 'Mr. Lennon,'" Chapman said. "I think that was something the press elaborated on. That didn't happen. He didn't turn. I shot him in the back."

Chapman, who is serving a 20-year-to-life sentence at the upstate Attica Correctional Facility for the December 8, 1980, murder, said he's not the same man today.

"I am ashamed," Chapman said. "I am sorry for what I did. That 25-year-old man, I don't think he appreciated the life he was taking, that this was a human being."

"I feel now at 53 that I have grown into a deeper understanding of what a human life is. I have changed a lot."

Chapman said while he might have had a beer that day, he was not on drugs and was of "clear mind" when he succumbed to his "compulsion" to kill Lennon.

He said he pleaded guilty to second-degree murder for his conscience's sake. "I felt the Lord had told me to plead guilty at that time, and I did."

Chapman retold how he travelled to New York City twice to kill Lennon.

"I had been going through some problems and was very confused...and was feeling like a big nothing and a nobody," he said.

He had taken out some books on Lennon from the library and



Mark David Chapman
felt he was a "phony" for singing of love while living in a ritzy building. "It was more about me and not him, I was probably mad at myself for my failures," he said.

The last straw was when he saw Lennon's face on the Sgt. Pepper's album cover.

"I just saw his face and it seemed like it all came together, the solution to my problem of being confused and feeling like a nobody," he said. "And I said, 'Wouldn't it be something if I killed this individual? I would become famous, I would be something other than a nobody.' And that was my reasoning at the time."

He recalled how he bought a gun with hollow-point bullets from a friend in Georgia, telling him it was simply for protection in New York City.

"After returning to Hawaii following an aborted first attempt, 'The urges built again about doing this, and then I flew back on Dec. 6, and on the 8th I shot Mr. Lennon.'"

Ono asked the board to deny Chapman parole.

The board agreed, saying his release would "not be compatible with the welfare of society at large."

Source: New York Daily News

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 Aker Shangbadpotro
08:30 Drama Serial: Joyotsnakaal
09:15 Swapnochhoya Olympic
10:30 Talk Show: Onyodnshti
11:10 Drama
12:15 Musical Programme: Shur-er Madhuri
12:45 Shodapoti
01:30 Cinema Cinema
02:30 Selected Programme
03:10 Islamic Programme: Shundor Jiboner Jonno
04:10 Debate Programme: BSB Cambrian Jukti Kothon
05:00 Gram Gonjer Khobor
05:20 Islamic Programme
06:20 Brijon
08:00 Prand Wiz 2008
09:20 Drama Serial: Amader Nurul Huda
11:30 Daily Soap: Doll's House
12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

CHANNEL-i

News (Bangla) at 7:15 am, 9:00am, 2:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:00pm, 10:30pm, 12:15 am.
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 7:00 am, 10:00 am, 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 8:00pm
Rtv
News (Bangla) at 7:00pm, and 10:00pm.
etv
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

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08:20 Drama Serial: Chhayabari
09:35 Children's Programme: Doinik Tolpaar
10:00 Travel Show: RC Travel On
11:30 Musical Programme: Citycell Sa 2 Sa
12:00 Grameenphone Aker Shangbadpotro

Rtv

08:40 Musical Programme: Saanget Onon
09:00 Daily Soap: Dohor
09:30 Dnshti Kon
10:03 Drama: Raat Jaga Pakhi
11:30 Musical Programme
12:35 Children's Programme: Sa Sa Dhin Tai
01:03 Protidin
01:30 Dhallywood Beats
02:40 Bangla Feature Film
06:00 Protidin
07:55 Mukti Lorai
08:00 Japito Jibon
09:00 Drama Serial: Raat Jaga Pakhi
11:00 Drama Serial: Lukochuri
11:30 Biz Event
11:45 Apon Shimanay

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08:30 Aker Shokaal
08:55 Drama Serial: Eit Kather Khacha
09:30 Dance Programme
10:30 Drama
10:05 Cartoon
12:35 Drama Serial: Eit Kaacher Khancha
03:20 Drama Serial: Teen Purush
03:50 Drama Serial: Neer
05:30 Cookery Show
06:15 Shubho Shondha
06:45 Musical Programme: Amaro Gaitey Ichhey Holo
08:15 Drama Serial: House Full
09:00 Glamour World
09:45 Drama Serial: Brishtir Jonyo
11:35 Musical Programme: Music Jam

BANGLAVISION

08:30 Drama Serial: Swapnochura
09:00 Media Bhobon
09:30 Amader Oitthi
10:10 Agamir Kontho
11:35 Musical Programme: Nana Rang-er Dinguli
12:30 Health Show: Home Care
02:00 Cinebit Shadakalo
02:30 Cookery Show: Confidence Salt
03:05 Amader Ranna Ghar
04:20 Daily Soap: Gulshan Avenue
04:20 Musical Programme: Pran-er Gaan

5:30 Talk Show: Top Story
6:05 Citycell Din-er Sheshey
6:20 Children's Programme: Ichchhey Ghun
6:50 Musical Programme: Shur-er Bhobon
8:25 Drama Serial: Shomudro Jol
9:05 X Crime
9:45 Daily Soap: Gulshan Avenue
11:25 Musical Programme: Bengal Music Unplugged
12:00 Shanbad Protidin

CHANNEL 1

10:30 Bangla Feature Film
12:00 Padmo Raag
03:30 Char Bioscope
04:00 Mon Bari
04:30 Music One
05:15 Gollachhit
06:00 Saaj Bela
06:30 Top News
07:00 Shuk Tara
08:15 Char Bioscope
09:00 Trend 2008

6:30 The One
11:00 Music Music
BOISHAKHI
08:05 Din Protidin
08:35 Jantey Chai
09:05 Theatre
12:30 Music Today
02:05 Drama: Atoshi
03:35 Nirtyer Jhonkaar
04:05 Chitro Geeli
05:00 Cartoon
05:30 Music Today

11:00 Babylon 5: The Lost Tales
12:30 American Dreamz
02:45 The Truman Show
04:45 I'll Always Know What You Did
Last Summer
06:30 Hollywood's 10 Best : Cat Fights
07:00 Freedom Writers
09:30 Charlie's Angels
11:30 The Departed
DISCOVERY CHANNEL
09:30 Mysteries of Asia
10:30 Rhodes Across India
11:30 A Haunting
12:30 A Baby Story
01:00 Yummy Mummy
01:30 Ghost Bears Of The Rain Forest
02:30 A Haunting
03:30 Animal Face-Off
04:30 Natural World
05:30 A Haunting
06:30 Man Vs Wild
07:30 Svalbard - Where Polar Bears Reign
08:30 Raw Nature
09:30 Wild China
10:30 Secrets To Survival
11:30 Building The Future
TRAVEL & LIVING
10:00 Living With Modernism
10:30 Globe Trekker 11
11:30 Kylie Kwong Cooking With Heart And Soul
12:00 Nigella Feasts
12:30 Jet Set
01:30 Biker Build-Off - The Series
02:30 Trimmy & Sundance Underress
03:30 Planet Food
04:30 Globe Trekker 10
05:30 Trekking The Turks & Caicos
06:30 Bikini Blast: Ms. Hit The Beach
07:30 Lonely Planet Six Degrees 2
08:30 Bridezilla - Season 3
09:30 Anthony Bourdain: No Reservations
10:30 Dream Hotels
11:00 Indian Food Made Easy
11:30 Honeymoon Adventures
12:00 Getaway 2006
STAR MOVIES
10:10 Desperate Measures
11:55 Blood And Chocolate
01:35 Posse
03:30 Ripley Under Ground
05:10 Employee Of The Month
07:00 Cheats
08:30 Arthur And The Minimoys
10:10 Army Of Darkness
11:55 Trust The Man
STAR WORLD
09:30 That '70s Show
10:00 Hope And Faith

10:30 Koffee With Karan
11:30 America's Got Talent
12:00 Pop School
12:30 Bones
01:30 Jimmy Kimmel Live
02:30 The Ellen Degeneres Show
03:30 The Bold And The Beautiful
04:30 General Hospital
05:00 Koffee With Karan
06:00 Falcon Beach
06:30 The Simpsons
07:30 Friends
08:00 Seinfeld
08:30 Less Than Perfect
09:00 Jake In Progress
09:30 Are U Smarter Than 5th Grader
10:30 Ghost Whisperer
11:30 Jimmy Kimmel Live
THE HISTORY CHANNEL
10:30 The Pirate Ships
11:30 Eye Max
12:15 Dent King
01:30 Digging For The Truth
02:30 The First Christians
03:30 Jupiter: The Giant Planet
04:30 Aluminium
05:30 The Sailing Racers
06:30 Sadat
07:30 Decoding The Past
08:30 Bedroom Tech
09:30 The Doors
10:30 1975 Firebird
11:30 The First Christians
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC CHANNEL
09:30 World's Deadliest Animals
11:15 Telemail- Sauna Belt
11:30 Dangerous Encounters
12:30 World's Deadliest Animals
01:30 River
02:30 Living With Big Cats
03:30 BMW
04:30 Fangs Of The Forest
05:30 Dragon Tale
06:00 Big Bang
06:30 I Didn't Know That
07:00 What Would Happen If
07:30 Built For The Kill
08:30 Monster Moves
09:30 Corvette
10:30 Shanghai Super Tower
11:30 Corvette
ZEE STUDIO
10:45 Prelude To A Kiss
01:15 Inspector Gadget
03:00 Free Willy
05:45 Batman And Robin
09:00 7 Seconds
11:00 George Of The Jungle