

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

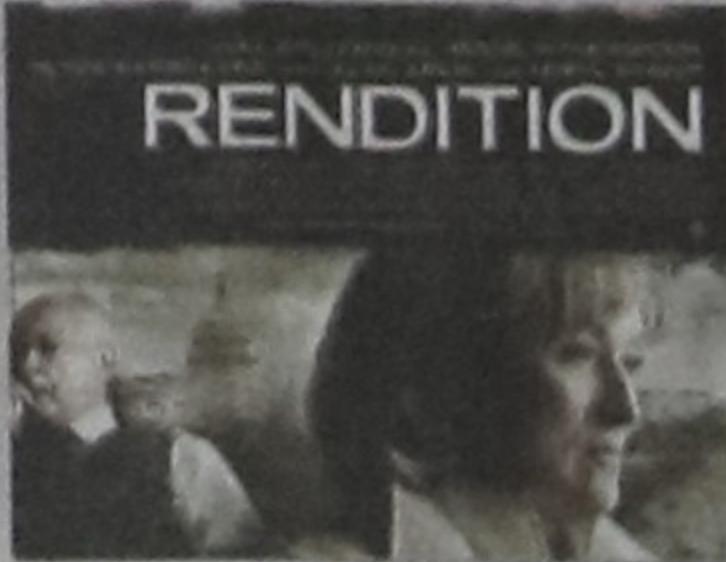
Selim Al Deen Janmo Utsab
Organiser: Dhaka Theatre and Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy
Venue: National Theatre Stage, BSA
Date: August 18-23
Time: 7pm everyday
August 21
Play: Nimojon



Srotar Ashor
Artistes: Laisa Ahmed, Md. Sifayet Ullah, S M Khaled and Sazia Hossain
Organiser: Chhayanat 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: Shonai 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 Ekushey 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" was divided into two parts, the award giving ceremony and a musical soiree featuring noted Tagore artistes 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 Ramindra Majumdar 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

against the British Raj. Dhaka Club faced a negative reaction from many at that time, however the organisation managed to change its impression after the Independence of Bangladesh. At present, with a history of almost a century, the club has reached an impressive status," he said welcoming the audience.

"We are blessed with the presence of a number of senior members of the club today which proves their attachment and passion for the club. Dhaka Club can claim to be one of the oldest institutions in the city, which successfully continues its journey. The celebration will continue throughout the week with much fanfare and festivity.

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 artistes -- 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.

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 my 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 nobody," he said.

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

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 solu-



Mark David Chapman

tion 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."

On 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



ATN BANGLA
08:15 Ajker Shangbadpoto
08:30 Drama Serial: Joyotsnakaal
09:15 Swapnochhoya Olympic
10:30 Talk Show: Onyodishhti
11:10 Drama
12:15 Musical Programme: Shur-er
12:45 Shodapali
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 Projon
08:00 Brand Wiz 2008
09:20 Drama Serial: Amader Nurul Huda
11:30 Daily Soap: Doll's House
12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

CHANNEL-i
08:30 Shokaler Gaan
09:30 Shangbadporey Bangladesh
09:45 Public Reaction
09:50 Talk Show: Grameenphone
11:05 Selected Programme
12:30 Citycell Taraka Kathan
01:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan
01:30 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma
02:35 Special Programme
03:05 Agricultural Programme: Hridoy Mati O Manush
04:05 Musical Programme: Hridoyer
04:30 Educational Programme: FM Method
05:30 Mukljudho Protidin
06:00 Amar Chobi
06:20 Talk Show: Shikhhak Chalchitra
07:50 Cookery Show: Sheri Radhuni

BANGLAVISION
News (Bangla) at 8:00am. 10:00am, 12:00am, 4:00pm. News (English) at 6:00pm. Rtv News (Bangla) at 7:00pm. and 10:00pm. Rtv 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 Drama Serial: Doinik Tolpaar
10:00 Travel Show: RC Travel On
11:30 Musical Programme: Citycell Sa 2 Sa
12:00 Grameenphone Ajker Shangbadpoto

Rtv
08:40 Musical Programme: Saangeet Ongon
09:00 Daily Soap: Dohon
09:30 Drishli Kon
10:03 Drama: Raat Jaga Pakhi
11:30 Children's Programme: Sa Sa Dhin Tai
01:03 Protidin
01:30 Hollywood Beats
02:40 Bangla Feature Film
03:00 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 Ajker Shokal
08:55 Drama Serial: Eit Kather
09:30 Khacha
09:30 Dance Programme
10:30 Drama
01:05 Cartoon
02:35 Drama Serial: Eit Kaacher
03:20 Drama Serial: Teen Purush
03:50 Drama Serial: Neer
05:30 Cookery Show
06:15 Shubho Shondha
06:45 Musical Programme: Amara Gailey 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: Swapnochhoya
09:00 Media Bhubon
09:30 Amader Oithi
10:10 Agamir Kontho
11:35 Musical Programme: Nana Rang-er Dinguli
12:30 Health Show: Home Care
02:00 Cinebil Shadakalo
02:30 Cookery Show: Confidence Salt
03:00 Mukljudho Protidin
03:05 Amar Chobi
03:05 Talk Show: Shikhhak Chalchitra
04:20 Cookery Show: Sheri Radhuni

CHANNEL 1
05:30 Talk Show: Top Story
06:05 Citycell Din-er Sheshey
06:20 Children's Programme: Ichchhey Ghuri
06:50 Musical Programme: Shur-er Bhubon
08:25 Drama Serial: Shomudro Jol
09:05 X Crime
09:45 Daily Soap: Gulshan Avenue
11:25 Musical Programme: Bengal Music Unplugged
12:00 Shanbad Protidin

BOISHAKHI

05:30 Padma Raag
06:30 Char Bioscope
07:00 Mon Bar
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RENDITION

09:30 The One
11:00 Music Music

BOISHAKHI

08:05 Din Protidin
08:35 Janey Chai
09:05 Theatre
12:30 Music Today

RENDITION

02:05 Drama: Atoshi
03:35 Nriyter Jhonkar
04:05 Chhoro Geeti
05:00 Cartoon
09:00 Trend 2008

BOISHAKHI

09:30 Babylon 5: The Lost Tales
11:00 American Dreamz

RENDITION

02:45 The Truman Show

04:45 I'll Always Know What You Did

06:30 Last Summer

07:00 Hollywood's 10 Best: Cat Fights

07:30 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 Hello Dhaba

09:00 Amar 88

09:30 Dhaka Calling

10:00 Seven Eleven

12:00 Back to Back music

Radio Foorti 88.0 FM

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11:00am Amar 88

03:00pm Dhaka Calling

07:00pm Seven Eleven

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