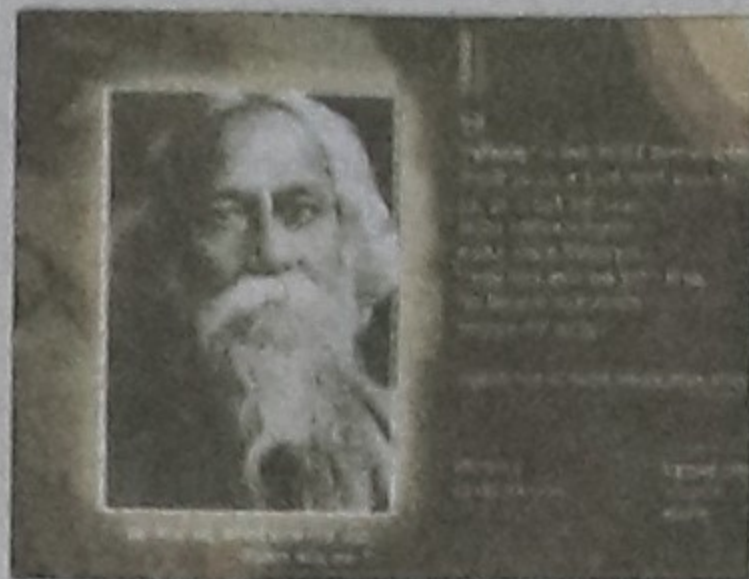


WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

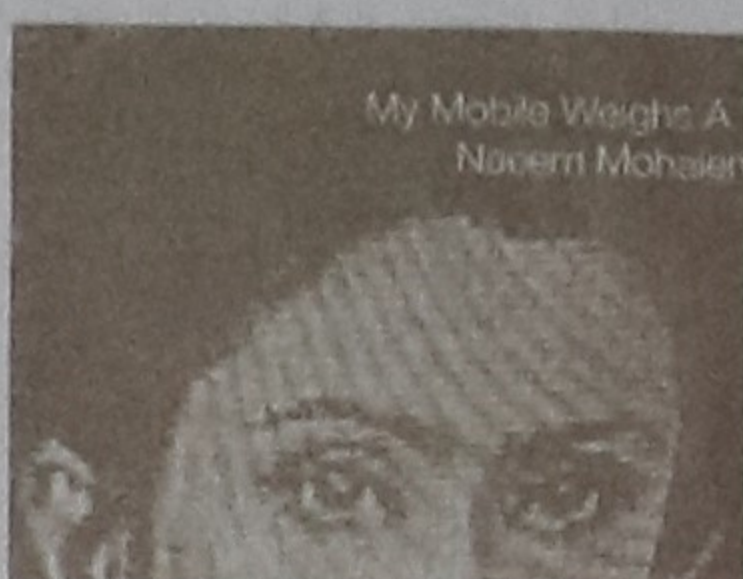
Anniversary Programme

Organiser: Rabirashmi
Venue: Shawkat Osman Auditorium, Central Public Library, Shahbag
Date: August 28-30
Time: 5:30pm onwards everyday
Kalim Shrafi will inaugurate the event.



Installation and Photography Exhibition

Title: My Mobile Weighs a Ton
Artist: Naeem Mohammedi
Venue: Gallery Chitrag, H#21, R# 4, Dhammondi, Dhaka
Time: August 21-31
Time: 10am-8pm



Film Screening

Film: Gandhi
Director: Richard Attenborough
Venue: Bangladesh Film Centre, 160, Lake Circus, Kalabagan
Date: August 29-30
Time: 4pm and 7:15 pm

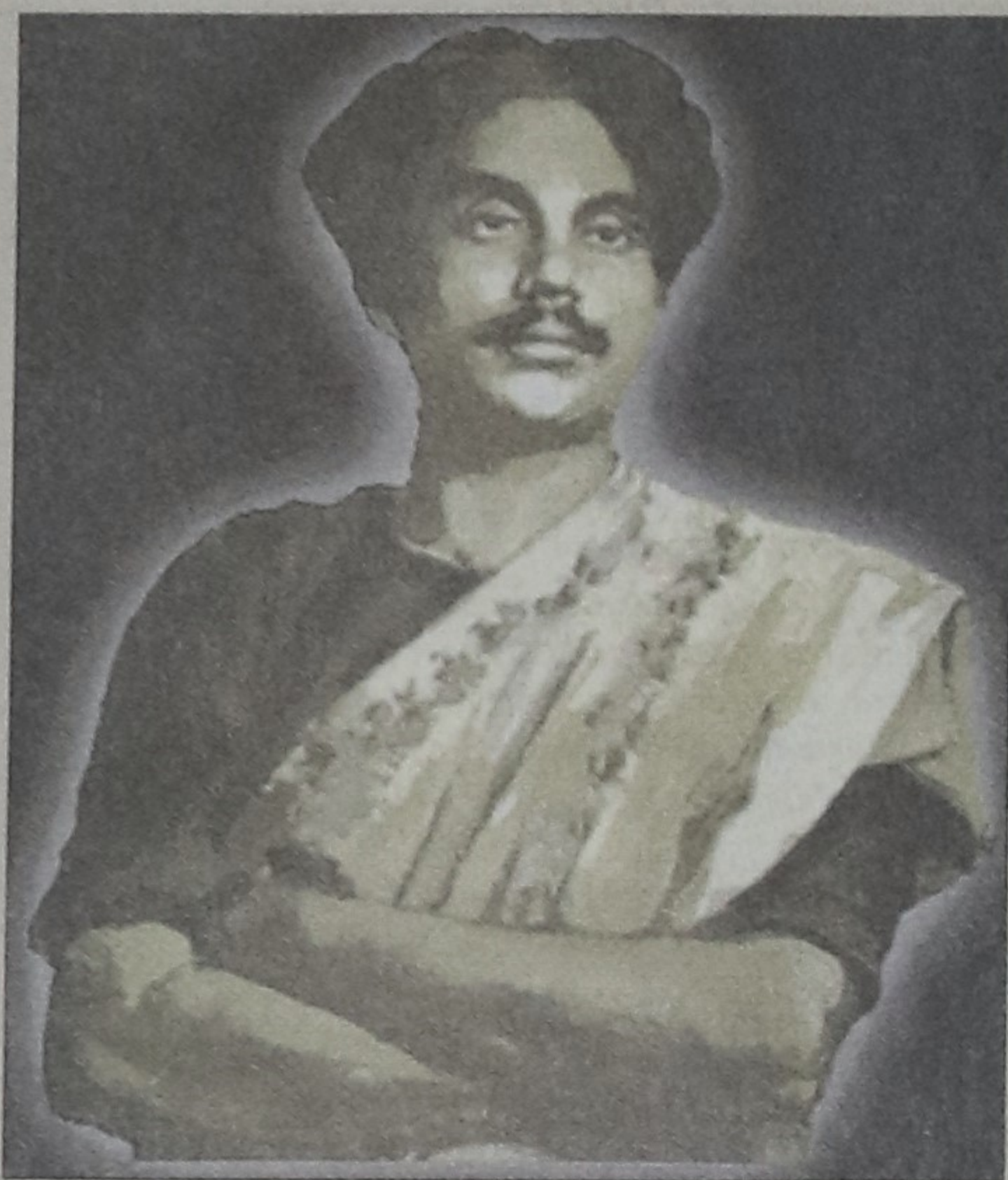


Musical Soiree

Featuring songs of Lalou Shah and Hason Raja
Organiser: Srijon
Venue: Poet Sufia Kamal Auditorium, National Museum, Shahbag
Date: August 30
Time: 6:05pm



Chhayanat observes Nazrul death anniversary



CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

On the occasion of the 32nd death anniversary of National Poet Kazi Nazrul Islam, Chhayanat arranged a cultural programme at its Ramesh Chandra Dutta Memorial Auditorium on August 28. Students and teachers of Chhayanat performed songs

and poems of Nazrul at the programme.

The programme started with a group rendition of *Eshechhi tabo duarey*. Noted Nazrul artiste and General Secretary of Chhayanat Khairul Anam Shakil gave a brief speech on the life and works of the National Poet. Students of Chhayanat ren-

dered several Nazrul Sangeet highlighting devotion and spirituality. Moumita Sarkar rendered *Amar haatey Kali*, Rezaul Karim performed *Dur Arab-er swapon* and Anindita Chowdhury sang *Aay moru parerhawa*.

Songs performed throughout the evening also featured the soul's quest for the proximity of the creator, like *Khelichho e bishwa loye* by Mahua Manzuri and *Bishwa byapiya achho* by Putul Das.

Maniza Rahman read out a letter, which Nazrul wrote to his first wife Nargis Begum. Tanvir Ahmed recited excerpts from Nazrul's writing.

Sanjida Zohra rendered a *baul* song, *Baul holam dhulipathay*. Nandita Dutta sang a Shyama Sangeet, *Shyama naam-er laglo*.

Apart from the curtain raiser, two more group performances featured in the programme were *Khatun-e Jannat Fatema* and the closing song *Bedoner shindhu*.

Among others, Sumon Majumder, Shukla Paul, Nabanita Chowdhury, Shabnam Shirin and noted singer Shahin Samad also performed at the programme.

Khairul Anam Shakil was the music director of the programme.

A touch of Bangladeshi art in Canada

AMINUL ISLAM, Mymensingh

A 10-day group art exhibition, held at Metro Hall in Toronto, Canada, concluded on August 15. Nandanik Fine Arts in Toronto and Bangladesh-Canadian Community Services (BCCS) jointly organised the exhibition titled "Contemporary Arts on Humanity". Ten expatriate Bangladeshi artists took part in the exhibition.

Peter Tabuns, member of the Provincial Parliament of Toronto, inaugurated the exhibition on August 5. Among others, founder President of Nandanik Fine Arts in Toronto, artist Mohibul Islam and Chairman of BCCS, Mohammed Abdul Wahid spoke at the inauguration. Mohibul Islam, an eminent expatriate artist hailing from Mymensingh, played a vital role in organising the exhibition.

The exhibition drew a large audience. The participating artists were Iftekharuddin Ahmed, Mazharul Haque,

Mohibul Islam, Noor Mohammad Jalali, Syed Shahadat Hossain, Mohammad Sirajul Islam, Shamim Ara Begum, Shamima Jasmine, Tajuddin Ahmed and Chaman Ara Begum.

In his speech, the chief guest said that the arts speak a universal language. Referring to the traditional history and culture of Bengal, the chief guest said that the Bangladeshi expats in Canada are proud of their heritage and roots.

Mohibul Islam previously organised a group exhibition in 2005, which went down well with the Canadians. "We want to uphold the traditional fine arts of Bangladesh outside the country," he said.

The paintings displayed at the exhibition had a larger purpose. "Through such exhibitions the Bangladeshi arts and artists are building bridges with other nations and we hope that the future generation will be encouraged by such initiatives," Mohibul Islam said.



The participating Bangladeshi artists at the exhibition.

Japan's Takeshi Kitano brings 'cruel art' to Venice Film Festival

AFP, Venice

Japan's Takeshi Kitano on Thursday completed his trilogy on the creative process as he unveiled his "Achilles and the Tortoise" at the Venice film festival.

Driving headlong towards a validation of art for art's sake, the new film traces a man's lifelong quest to win recognition as a painter.

"This is a story about cruel art," Kitano said. The obsession begins when the artist, Machisu, is a small boy, the precocious son of a wealthy collector, who spends nearly every waking hour drawing or painting. Real life intrudes with crushing tragedies, but he perseveres, encouraged by a doting wife who eggs him on in ever more reckless artistic adventures, even nearly drowning him to sharpen his senses.

"It's not necessary for an artist to die," Kitano told a news conference. "Nor should he sacrifice his family life."

Instead, Machisu's story could be seen as "a side effect" of art, said Kitano, himself an artist who gives away his paintings. "Art becomes a drug for artists, but I'm not sure it applies to all artists."

The trilogy began with "Takeshis" in 2005, a surreal autobiographical look at the conflict between the filmmaker and his persona as an entertainer, and "Kantoku Banzai!" (2007), a comic exploration of his creative conflict as an artist.

Also Thursday, German director Christian Petzold offered an intimate drama, "Jerichow," set in an economically depressed part of east Germany.

A love triangle darkened by violence, desperation and betrayal, the plot builds on the characters' lonely personal journeys.

"Christian never tries to relate grand themes. He's always on a small scale, observing individuals struggling with their lives," said Benno Fuernmann, who plays Thomas, a returning soldier who was dishonorably discharged from the army.

Thomas falls in love with Laura, the pretty ex-convict wife of Turkish businessman Ali, also haunted by his past.

But all is clouded by the present, and much revolves around money. "That part of Germany, about an hour from Berlin, is not doing well," Fuernmann told reporters. "People are struggling to give life meaning, to make life graspable."

The 65th Venice film festival kicked off on Wednesday with "Burn After Reading," the final instalment of another hat trick, what Hollywood megastar George Clooney likes to call his "idiot trilogy" under the direc-



Takeshi Kitano

tion of the brothers Joel and Ethan Coen.

Also starring Brad Pitt, John Malkovich, Tilda Swinton and Frances McDormand (Joel Coen's wife), the film's world premiere was shown out of competition.

Of the 52 films selected, 21 will be competing for the Golden Lion top prize, to be awarded on September 6.

Both Kitano's "Achilles and the Tortoise" and Miyazaki's animated feature "Ponyo on the Cliff by the Sea" are tipped as favourites for the top prize.

Other strong runners include US director Darren Aronofsky's "The Wrestler", starring Mickey Rourke, and French filmmaker Barbet Schroeder's thriller set in Japan, "L'Inju: La Bete dans l'Ombre" (The Beast in the Shadow).

This year's festival is to be dedicated to Egyptian filmmaker Youssef Chahine, who died on July 27 aged 82.

A career Golden Lion has been reserved for Italian director Ermanno Olmi, 77, whose 1978 neo-realist epic "L'Albero degli Zoccoli" (The Tree of Wooden Clogs) won the Golden Palm at Cannes and many other awards.



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

On Air

News Bulletin

8TV
News Headlines (Bangla) at 8:55 am, 12:10 pm, 2:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 7:00 pm.
News (Bangla) at 8:00 am, 1:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 8:00 pm.
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 7:15 am, 9:00am, 2:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:00pm, 10:30pm, 12:15 am.
ATN BANGLA
News (Bangla) at 7:00 am, 10:00am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm, 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 6:00pm.
Rtv
News (Bangla) at 7:00pm, and 10:00pm.
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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.

BTV

09:05 Rumjhum
09:30 Smitimoy Geetimoy
10:05 Open University
10:30 Musical Programme
11:20 Desher Gaan
11:30 Shukhi Poribar
01:30 Nari O Shihu
02:15 Sisimpur
02:45 Bangla Feature Film
05:35 Mukti Juddher Dinguli
07:00 Geeti Malyo
07:25 Selected Programme
10:30 Tarana

ATN BANGLA

08:15 Aker Shanbadpotro
08:30 Nurpur Chhonday
09:15 Talk Show
10:30 Talk Show: Onyodristi
11:05 Shatidin
12:15 Musical Programme: Shesh Okhkor
01:25 Documentary Programme: Prapok
02:40 Bangla Feature Film
05:00 Gram Gonjer Khobor
05:30 Musical Programme: Shuer Badhone
06:20 Aynar Shamney Live
08:00 Drama Serial: Onno Boshonto
08:40 Drama Serial: Chor Kuthuri
09:20 Drama Serial: Ek Jonomey
10:00 Mukto Shonglaap
11:30 Daily Soap: Doll's House
12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

CHANNEL 1

08:30 Shokaal-er Gaan
09:30 Shanbadpotrey Bangladesh
09:45 Public Reaction
09:50 Grameenphone Trilio Matra
11:05 Amader Aaina

12:05 Mukto Bazar Orthonti
12:30 Talk Show: Citycell Taroka Kathan
01:05 Musical Programme: Ebong Cinemar Gaan
01:30 Shobaar Jonoy Shorbashey Bigyan Dharona
02:35 Special Programme
04:50 Shoyer Shondhaney
05:30 Mukhti Judho Protidin
06:30 Channel i Shera Kontho Mahotshob Shorashori
12:00 Grameenphone Aker Shangbadpotro

ETV

08:30 Ekush-er Shokal
09:15 Drama Serial: Aziz Market, Shahbag, Dhaka 1000
12:00 Ekusher Dupur
12:30 Total Music
02:00 Bangla Feature Film
05:45 Ekusher Shondha
06:30 Shoptaho Ghurey Desh Jurey
07:50 Explosive
09:30 Drama Serial: Aziz Market, Shahbag Dhaka 1000
10:10 Game Show: Bhaboghurey Dot Com
11:40 Shangskritir Shatidin
12:00 Ekush-er Raat

Rtv

08:40 Sa Sa Dhin Tai
09:30 Drama Serial: Tonalunir Golpo
11:00 Kingfisher Taroka Alap
11:30 Fashion Show: R you Ready
01:03 Protidin
02:30 Bangla Feature Film
06:00 Protidin
06:30 Cinema Ar Gaan
08:00 Street Show: Zebra Crossing
08:30 Musical Programme: R- Music
09:40 Drama Serial: Apon Ghorey Porobash
11:30 Jegey Achchho KI?

ntv

08:30 Aker Shokaal
08:55 Bangla Feature Film
12:10 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy
01:05 Cartoon
02:30 Drama Serial: House full
03:20 Close-up 1 2008
04:25 Golpo Kathar Natok
05:30 Alokat
06:45 Shangskriti Ei Shoptaho
08:15 Drama Serial: Aim in Life
09:00 Otopor Tahara
11:35 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy

BANGLAVISION

08:30 Musical Programme: Pran-er Gaan
09:00 Cinebit Shadakalo
09:30 Children's Programme: Ichchhey Ghuri
10:10 Banglavisoin Cafe
11:35 Home Care
12:30 Musical Programme: Bengal Music Unplugged
02:30 Drama Serial: Mondo Bhala Shada Kalo

12:00 Tele-film
02:00 Shoptaho Sheshey
03:30 Drama
04:30 Music One
05:15 Show Case
06:00 Saajibela
07:00 Cookery Show: Shomoyer Swad
08:15 Duranto Pathik
09:00 Gaan-er Khata
09:30 The Right Tune
11:00 Rupanfor-er Golpo



Channel i Shera Kontho Mahotshob Grand Finale of the talent hunt Live from Bangladesh-China Friendship Conference Centre On Channel i at 6:30 pm

03:05 Daily Soap: Gulshan Avenue
04:20 Sports Vision
05:30 Street Show: Raat Biraatey
06:05 Din-er Sheshey
06:20 Amader Oitihiti
06:50 Agricultural Programme: Shamol Bangla
08:25 Drama Serial: Nogorey Nagonik
09:05 Talk Show: Amar Ami
09:45 Drama Serial: Gulshan Avenue
11:25 Law Chamber
12:00 Shangbad Protidin
CHANNEL 1
08:40 Shuprobhaat Bangladesh
10:30 Ha Du Du
11:00 Talk Show: Apnake Bolchhi

HBO

10:45 The Making Of The Pursuit Of Happiness
11:00 The Andromeda Strain Part 1
12:45 The Andromeda Strain Part 2
02:30 Christine
04:45 Hollywood Spotlight: Samuel L. Jackson
05:15 American Dreamz
07:30 The Foreigner
09:30 The Proposition
11:30 The Fast And The Furious: Tokyo Drift
STAR MOVIES
08:10 Chestnut

09:40 Jerry Maguire
11:50 Ronin
01:50 Broken Arrow
03:40 Chaos
05:25 Code Name: The Cleaner
07:00 End of Days
09:00 Blood and Chocolate
10:40 Jaws
STAR WORLD
09:30 How I Met Your Mother
10:00 Samantha Who?
10:30 The Wrestling

10:30 Telemall- Sauna Belt
11:30 Planet Carnivore
12:30 Forces Of Nature
01:30 Countdown Crocs
02:30 Kung Fu Killers
03:30 Strange Days
04:30 Going To School In India
05:00 I Didn't Know That
05:30 Big Bang
06:00 Monk Seals
06:30 I Didn't Know That
07:00 What Would Happen If
07:30 Dangerous Encounters
08:30 Planet Carnivore
09:30 Mumbai Mega Flood
10:30 Planet Carnivore
11:30 Taboo
12:30 Dangerous Encounters

HISTORY

09:30 Machines III
10:30 Mega Machines
11:30 Friday Film
01:30 World's Strongest II
02:30 Moon

03:30 Human Weapon
04:30 Green River Killer
05:30 Biography
06:30 The Great Gatsby
08:30 David Copperfield
11:00 Mahesh Bhatt
11:30 The Doors
12:30 Al Qaeda 2007
ZEE STUDIO
08:30 Man Of The House
10:30 Rushmore
12:45 Paris Je T'aime
03:15 Ruthless People
05:30 The Matrix Reloaded
08:15 The Hollywood Reporter
08:45 Snow Dogs
11:00 Out Rageous Fortune

Jaws

On Star Movies at 10:40 pm
Genre: Action
Cast: Roy Scheider, Richard Dreyfuss, Robert Shaw

