

WHAT'S
ON THIS
WEEK

**Solo Art
Exhibition**
Abdur Razzaque
Retrospective
Title: Rhythms of Figures,
Forms and Nature
Venue: Bengal Gallery of
Fine Arts, H 275/F, Rd 27
(old), Dhamrai
Date: October 10-29
Time: 12pm-8pm



**13th Asian Art
Biennale '08**
Organiser: Bangladesh
Shilpakala Academy
Venue: Bangladesh Shilpakala
Academy, Osmani Memorial
Hall and National Museum
Date: October 21-
November 19
Time: 11am-7pm (Fridays
3pm-8pm)



**Reminiscence
Programme**
Discussion and musical
soiree remembering
composer Altaf Mahmud
Venue: Auditorium,
National Music and Dance
Centre, BSA
Date: October 29
Time: 6pm

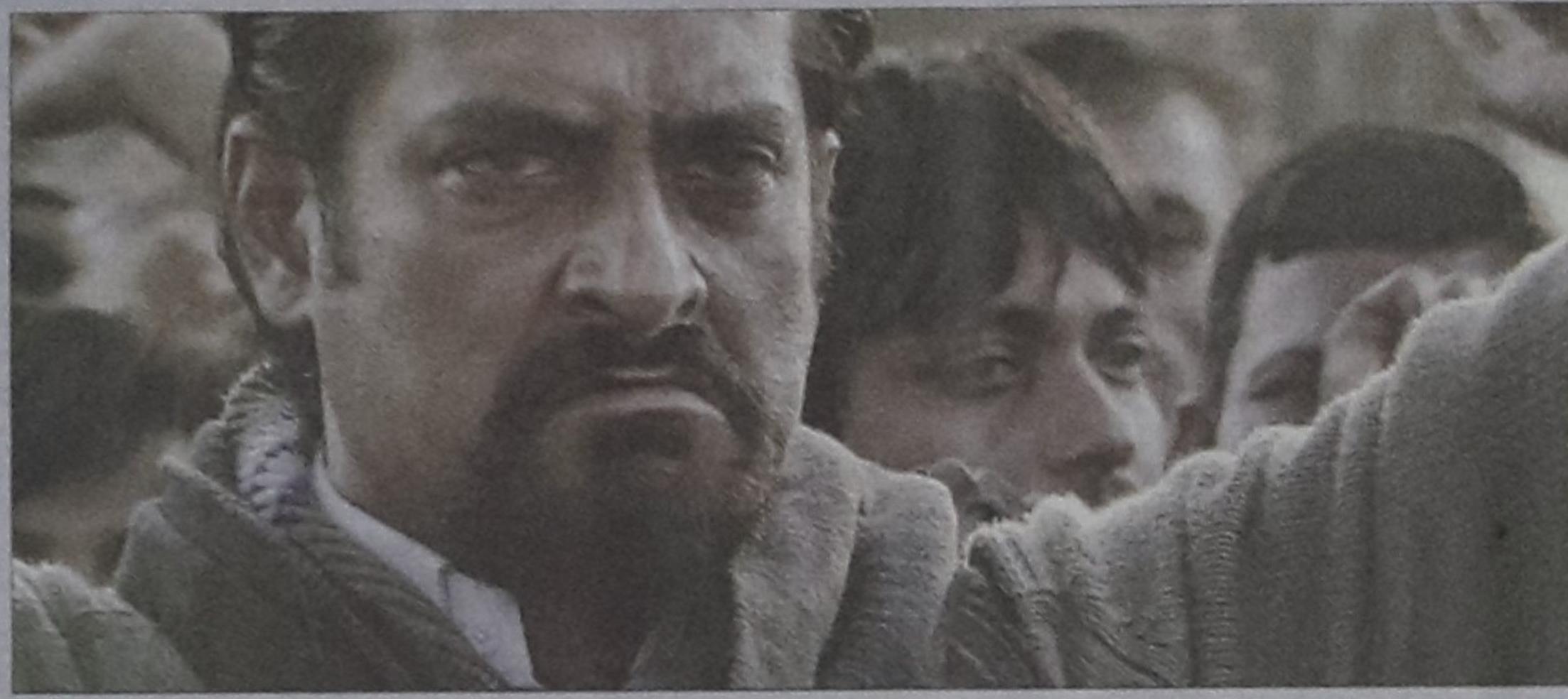


**Group Art
Exhibition**
Artists: Mahmudur Rahman
Dipon, Shahraz Sultan and
Awlad Hossain
Organiser: Kamranga
Venue: Kamranga, H 30, Rd
42, Gulshan 2
Date: October 25-November 1
Time: 10am-7pm



Sneak Peek

The Last Thakur



A stranger arriving to town is poised to quell the town's long-standing feud, but it soon becomes apparent he has his own vendetta to resolve.

"The Last Thakur" is an intense contemporary Western retold in a Bangladeshi setting by award-winning young British-Bengali filmmaker Sadik Ahmed. The film features leading Bangladeshi TV and theatre actors in a story of passion, jealousy and revenge.

A fully functioning town and market place, reminiscent of the ghost towns of the Wild West, is populated by local characters, market stallholders and street orphans. The fields beyond are coloured with water buffalo, monkeys and crows.



"The Last Thakur," running in UK theatres now, is a follow-up to Sadik Ahmed's short film "Tanju Miah," which was the official selection in Toronto and Sundance, and won Kodak Cinematography, Royal Television Society and Grierson awards.

Compiled by Cultural Correspondent

"Kichhu Kotha Kichhu Gaan" on ntv



Ankhi Alamgir



Rafiqul Alam

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

"Kichhu Kotha Kichhu Gaan," a programme featuring songs of yesteryears, will be aired tonight on ntv at 8:30 pm. Noted singer Rafiqul Alam will perform several romantic songs of the '50s in this episode. Artiste Ankhi Alamgir will perform a duet with Rafiqul Alam. The singers will also share their thoughts on music on the show.

Tonight's episode will feature "Eto shohojer bhalobeshay pheli keno," by Rafiqul Alam -- a song written by the late poet Rudra Muhammad Shahidullah and composed by eminent music director Khandokar Nurul Alam. "This song has retained its poetic essence throughout. Without romanticising the past, I would

claim that this song is as contemporary as it can get," said the singer.

On performing with Ankhi, Rafiqul Alam said, "As she belongs to a different generation of singers, I thought it would be a bit difficult to harmonise. But she treated the song so well, it was a delightful experience." Rafiqul Alam has also rendered "Hangsho pakhadiye," an adhunik song popularised by Shyamal Mitra in the '60s.

"Kichhu Kotha Kichhu Gaan" has been conceptualised by Mustafa Kamal Syed and Mohammad Mozakker. Mohammad Mozakker is the producer of the popular show. Veteran singer Syed Abdul Hadi is the host of the show.



Fazlur Rahman Babu and Srabanti in "Rangeela Bao."

Book launch programme by Lekhak Forum

KONGKON KARMAKER, Dinajpur

Lekhak Forum, a Dinajpur based platform for Bangladeshi writers, recently launched a book

titled, "Madhyaprachyer Dinlipi". This is the seventh book written by Anwara Azad.

The programme held at Dinajpur Press Club Auditorium included a review of Anwara's books.



The author (2-L) with discussants at the book launch.

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Advocate M. Abdur Rahim, a renowned politician and former member of the parliament, was the chief guest. Md. Motiur Rahman, president of Bangladesh Journalists' Union and editor of "Daily Uttar Bangla," a local daily; and Md. Golam Nabi Dulal, general secretary of Dinajpur Press Club, were special guests at the event.

Md. Shahjahan Shah, prominent cultural personality and general secretary of Nabroipi (a Dinajpur based cultural organisation), was the main speaker at the programme. Poet Md. Mahmud Akhter, president of Lekhak Forum, presided over the event.

Books written by Anwara Azad include "Nona Joler Roud," "Ajker Labonno," "Ghum," "Phirey Ashi Jodi" and others. Among others, Professor Gonesh Soren, principal of Dinajpur Sangeet College and Md. Aftab Alam, former principal of Dinajpur Adarsha College spoke at the programme. The discussants termed literature as one of key elements, which help develop an aware and enlightened society. Several speakers evaluated Anwara's books as reflections of the society. The event wrapped up with a cultural programme.

Drama serial "Rangeela Bao" on ATN Bangla

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Drama serial "Rangeela Bao" will be aired tonight at 9:30pm on ATN Bangla. Written by Ahmed Shahabuddin and directed by Syed Shakil, this is the 47th episode of the serial.

The plot of the serial is set in a village called Jhati Belai. Some of the inhabitants are illiterate, poor and naive. They approach life from a simple viewpoint and are

content with whatever they have.

Some are semiliterate have developed a taste for the urban lifestyle. These are the rapacious ones that would not hesitate to take the crooked path. The serial highlights the conflict between the two groups.

The cast includes Pijush Bandopadhyay, Chitrakatha Guha, Elora Gauhar, Srabanti, Bannya Mirza, Fazlur Rahman Babu and others.



Fazlur Rahman Babu and Srabanti in "Rangeela Bao."



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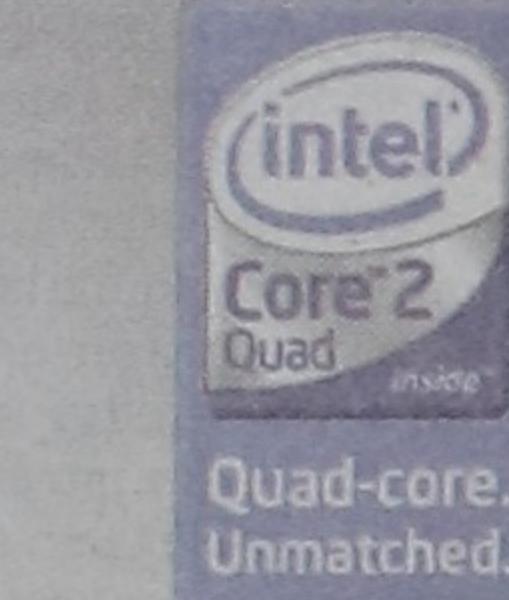
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