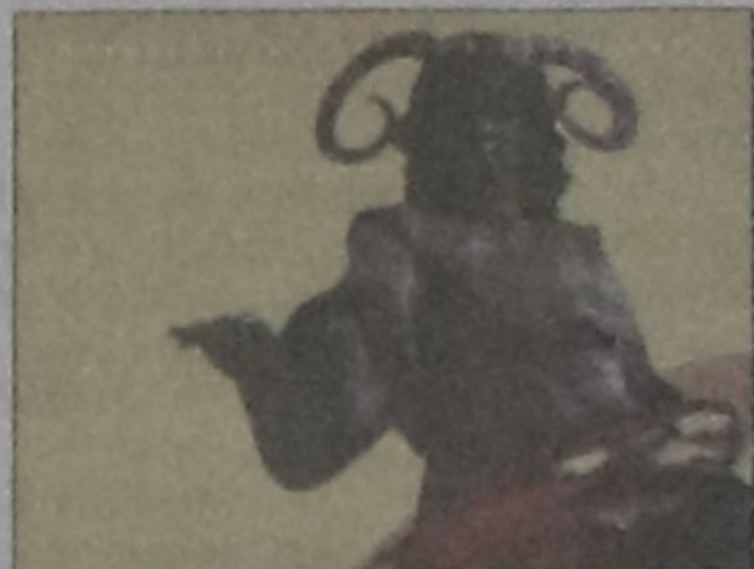


WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

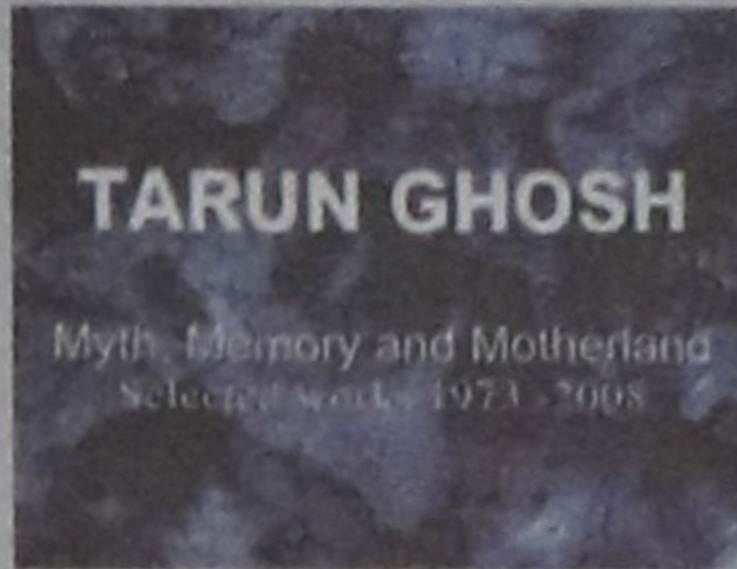
Solo Art Exhibition

Title: Family-Dream-Memory
Artist: Won-Sun Song
Venue: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, H 275/F, Rd 27 (old), Dhanmondi
Date: October 31-November 13
Time: 12pm-8pm



Solo Art Exhibition

Title: Myth, Memory and Motherland
Artist: Tarun Ghosh
Venue: Galleries Kaya, H 20, Rd 16, Sec 4, Uttara
Date: October 31-November 14
Time: 11am-8pm



Theatre

Play: Raja Eong Onyanno....
Troupe: Prachyanat
Venue: Experimental Theatre Hall, BSA
Date: November 10
Time: 7pm



Cartoon, Painting and Photo Exhibition

Title: The right to health
Venue: Drik Gallery
House 58, Road 15/A, Dhanmondi
Date: October 30-November 12
Time: 3pm-8pm



Dhaka Nritya Utsab: A vibrant and lively show



CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

A three-day dance festival, titled Dhaka Nritya Utsab, has been organised by Bangladesh Nrityashilpi Shangstha. Beginning from November 7, at the Music and Dance Centre of the Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy, the performance is being held at Segun Bagichha in the city.

Director General of Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy, Bhuiyan Shafiqul Islam; eminent theatre personality, Nasiruddin Yousuff; president of Bangladesh Nrityashilpi Shangstha, Rahiza Khanam Jhunu; joint secretary of the organisation, Zinnat Barkatullah; cultural secretary Dipa Khondokar and Sajju Ahmed, general secretary of Bangladesh Nrityashilpi Shangstha spoke at the programme.

The participating troupes were Nrityarong, Nandonik, Nrityadhara, Bulbul Lolitkola Academy, Jago Art Centre, Kothakoli Sangeet Bidaylaya, Rewaz Performance, Nritya Nandan and others.

A packed hall of people watched in rapt attention. Though the stage is inappropriate for any dance performance, the dancers' immense creativity, hard work and passion helped them to win wide appreciation.



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Captivating performance by dancers at the festival.

ation. All the troupes gave a unique performance and this explains the outstanding presentation. The movements depict a very vibrant and lively style where urban, folk, modern, classical and traditional

dances come together.

The festival has a lofty goal: to spread this performing arts far and wide in Bangladesh.

Sajju Ahmed, general secretary of the

organisation said, "This is the first time we have arranged a festival under the aegis of Dhaka Nritya Utsab. The festival is a part of the 400 years celebration of Dhaka. The participants belong to various ages and categories. We seek to create a professional ambience and that explains why we have resorted to ticketing for the first time. We need a big stage for a dance programme. The medium is very old and we have a glorious history in dance."

"Bangladesh Nrityashilpi Shangstha frequently arranges a National Dance Festival. The next carnival will be held in 2009. We have been associated with various political and cultural movements of the country, presenting open-air performances in various places. We propose to the government that the auditorium's name should be changed to that of our music maestro Debu Bhattacharya and dance genius Zia Mannan."

"The government should promote classical dance and ensure a free and liberal atmosphere. Classical dance is very neglected as an art form and its future depends on greater attention to the medium," said Sajju Ahmed.

Pomp and festivity in Magura

Magura jives at Katyani puja

HOSSAIN SERAJ, Magura

Magura resonates with the vibrant traditional Katyani puja. This puja, one of the most celebrated Hindu festivals in the district, is usually observed annually close on the heels of Durga puja. This year the five-day long Katyani puja ended on November 8. The idols of Katyani puja are akin to that of Durga.

"If you believe that Durga puja is the most important religious festival of Bangla-speaking Hindus in Bangladesh, you are in for a surprise. Strange it may sound, with the passage of time the Katyani puja has become the main religious festival of Hindus of Magura district; it is celebrated with more pomp here than anywhere else in the subcontinent," says a proud Pankaj Kumar Kundu the convener of Jamrultola puja mandap. He goes on to add, "The puja has been observed with so much fervour that it draws thousands of devotees from as

far afield as India and Nepal."

Although Katyani puja has been held here for the last 56 years, it is only over a span of last 21 years that it has become a popular festival celebrated with much festivity. Moreover, the puja extends not only to the Hindus of the district but thousands of people irrespective of religion enjoy the traditional "Lathikhela" and more at the festival.

"The festival is a glorious tradition of Magura. People from various religions help us arrange and observe the occasion peacefully," said Mihri Lal Kuri, president of the Natunbazaar Smriti Sangha Puja Mandap committee Mihri Lal Kuri.

A major attraction of the festival is the tastefully decorated gates and arches erected at different mandaps and important locations of the town. This year too the organisers have followed suit.

As in previous years, a fair has also been arranged that will run for approximately one month, said the organisers.



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Traditional "Lathikhela" in observance of the Katyani Festival.



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

On Air

News Bulletin

BTV
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, 9:00 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:15 am.

ATN BANGLA
News (Bangla) at 7:00 am, 10:00 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm, 11pm, News (English) 8:20 am, 7:00 pm.

Latest News (Bangla) at 9:00 a.m, 10:00 am, 11:00 am, 1:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm.

CHANNEL 1
News (Bangla) at 8:00 am, 12:00 pm, 2:30 pm, 6:30 pm, 7:30 pm, 10:00 pm, 12:30 am.

BANGLAVISION
News (Bangla) at 7:30 am, 1:30 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:15 pm, 10:30 pm.

News Headlines (Bangla) at 10:00 am, 12:00 am, 4:00 pm, News (English) at 8:00 pm.

Rtv
News (Bangla) at 7:00 pm, and 10:30 pm.

ntv
News (Bangla) 7:30 am, 12:02 pm, 2:00 pm, 7:30 pm, 10:30 pm, 1:00 am.

ETV
News (Bangla) 1:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm, 11:00 pm.

BTV

09:05 Selected Programme
09:30 Smritimoy Geetmoy
10:05 Open University
10:20 Gaer Jhomatolaye
10:55 Selected Programme
11:20 Gaer Jhomatolaye
12:10 Drama: Megher Shimanaye
01:45 Cricket: Bangladesh Vs South Africa

ATN BANGLA

03:30 Maa O Shishur Katha
10:30 Tarana
08:15 Aker Shanbadpotro
08:30 Drama Serial: Nupur
09:15 Drama Serial: Amader Nurul Huda
10:30 Onyodrishti
11:05 Shath Din
11:30 Top Spin
12:15 Selected Programme
01:25 Khelaar Jogot
02:30 Selected Programme
05:10 Kaal-er Jatra Dhoni
05:30 The Sword of Tipu Sultan
08:00 Drama Serial: Showa Paanch Aral Lane

08:40 Drama Serial: Syed Banir Bou
09:20 Drama Serial: Bharabari Baraban
11:30 Daily Soap: Dol's House
12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

CHANNEL 1

08:30 Shokaal-er Gaan
09:30 Shanbadpotro Bangladesh
09:45 Public Reaction
09:50 Grameenphone Trilo Matra
11:05 Selected Programme
11:30 Hridoye Mati O Manush
12:30 Talk Show: Cityceli Taroka Kathan
01:05 Musical Programme: Ebon

01:30 Cinemar Gaan
Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma
02:30 Selected Programme
03:05 Meridian Channel i Khudey
04:30 Gaan Raaj
04:30 Bank Aamar Bondhu
05:25 Talk Show: Muktiyudhho Protidin
06:00 i-Speed
07:50 LUX Channel i Super Star
08:25 Drama Serial: Shagotom Bhalobasha
09:35 Travel Show: Banglalink Banglar Pathay
10:00 Drama Serial: Shonshar

02:30 Drama Serial: Aziz Market
Shahbag Dhaka 1000
04:02 Explosive
05:30 Sports Plus
06:30 Desh Jurey
08:20 Drama Serial: Tun Tuni Bhila
09:30 Drama Serial: Ghatak Ebon
Amra
10:00 Golpo Sholpo Gaan
10:50 Financial Bulletin
11:45 Ei Shoptaher Bishwa
Rtv
08:40 Zebra Crossing
09:00 Shomoyer Dorponoy
09:30 Musical Programme: R Music

09:00 Drama Serial: Mayati Ekhon
Kothaye Jabey
Priodorshini
11:30 Drama Serial: Dohon
ntv
08:30 Aker Shokaal
08:55 Bangla Feature Film
12:10 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy
01:05 Japan Video Topic
02:30 House Full
03:15 Drama
04:25 Drama Serial: Brishtr Jonyo
05:25 Ithasher Ei Din-ey
06:45 Joto Modhur Bhulguli
07:15 Nokia Take Four

02:00 Gaaner Khata
03:30 Drama: Duranto Pathik
04:00 Shomoyer Swad
04:30 Music One
05:15 Selected Programme
08:15 Drama Serial: Duranto Pathik
09:00 Gaan-er Majhey Ami
09:30 Cine Tune
11:00 Gaan Wala
BANGLAVISION
09:00 Cinebit
09:30 Bangla Feature Film
12:00 Daily Soap: Mohanagar
02:30 Drama Serial: Shomudro Jol
03:05 Nodi O Jibon

11:25 Selected Programme
HBO
09:45 Homie Spumoni
11:30 Black Beauty
01:15 Evan Almighty
03:15 Mumbai Calling 01: Teknobable
03:45 The House Next Door
05:30 Varsity Blues
07:30 Norbit
09:30 The Mummy
11:45 Ed TV
ZEE STUDIO
08:30 Lords of Dogtown
11:00 Hunchback of Notre Dame
01:00 The Matrix Reloaded

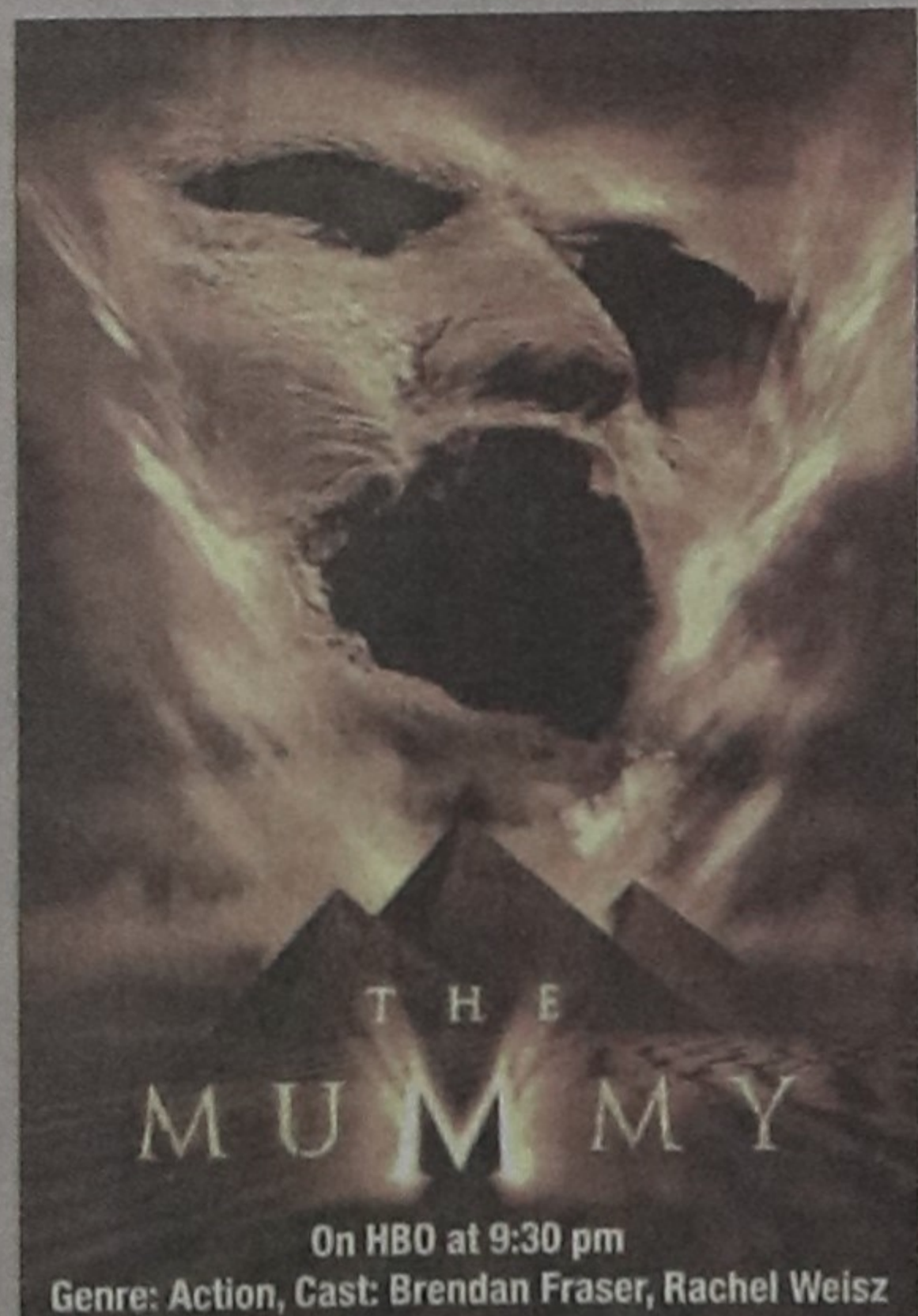
01:40 Last King Of Scotland, The
03:40 Bordertown
05:30 Bean
07:00 Game Plan, The
08:50 Little Miss Sunshine
10:30 Ice Spiders
12:00 Big Trouble
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC CHANNEL
09:00 Super Cat
10:00 Caught On Safari: Live!
11:00 Caught On Safari: Live!
12:00 Food Lovers Guide To The Planet
12:30 In the Womb
01:30 The Living Edens
02:30 Hollywood Science
03:30 Guardians of Nature
04:30 World's Deadliest Animals
05:30 Human Ape
06:00 World's Deadliest Animals
08:30 Snake Wranglers
09:00 Caught On Safari: Live!
11:00 Snake Wranglers
11:30 Monkey Thieves
STAR WORLD
09:30 Koffee With Karan
11:30 Seinfeld
01:30 Friends
04:00 Life With Bonnie
04:30 According To Jim
05:00 My Name Is Earl
06:00 Stacked
06:30 How I Met Your Mother
07:00 Hope And Faith
07:00 Ghost Whisperer
08:30 Ugly Betty
09:00 Private Practice
10:30 Barbara Walters Special
12:30 Blood Ties
THE HISTORY CHANNEL
09:00 Creative Vision
09:30 Modern Marvels
11:30 Thomas Edison
12:30 Saddam Hussein
01:30 Biography
02:30 Battle of Berlin
03:30 Sex In The 20th Century
04:30 True Story of Hannibal
06:30 St. Peter
11:30 Quest for King Arthur



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



Radio Foorti 88.0 FM
07:30am Hello Dhaka
10:00am Music Junction
12:00pm My Time
01:00pm No Tension
04:00pm Dhaka Calling
09:30pm Night Rider
01:00am 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-turn
08:00pm Tobe Tai Hok
11:00pm Raat Vor Can
02:00 am Back to Back



On HBO at 9:30 pm
Genre: Action, Cast: Brendan Fraser, Rachel Weisz

11:30 Drama Serial: Kobi
12:00 Grameenphone Aker Shangbadpotro
ETV
08:30 Ekush-er Shokal
09:35 Dhum Tana
10:30 Ekush-er Business

11:00 Taroka Alap
11:30 Jagey Achhichho Ki Protidin
01:03 Protidin
02:30 Bangla Feature Film
05:30 Net fun
06:30 Children's Programme
08:00 Cookery Show: R Ranna
08:30 Drishyo Kalpo

08:15 Drama Serial: Aim in Life
09:30 Closeup 1 Tomakey Chujchhey Bangladesh
11:35 Talk Show: Ei Shorhoy
CHANNEL 1
08:40 Shuprobhaat Bangladesh
10:30 Bangla feature Film

04:20 Drama Serial: Jogphol
05:15 Law Chamber
05:45 Cityceli Din-er Sheshey
06:20 Cinebit Shadakalo
06:50 Sports Vision
08:25 Daily Soap: Mohanagar
09:05 Visa Apnaar Agami
09:45 Drama Serial: Swapno Chura

03:40 Tarzan 2
05:45 Howards End
09:00 Connie and Carla
11:00 101 Dalmatians
STAR MOVIES
08:10 Quest Of The Dragon
09:40 Emma
11:40 Planet Of The Apes