

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Theatre

Play: Rifle
Troupe: Palakar
Venue: Palakar Studio, Natak Sarani
Date: November 13 & 14
Time: 6:30 pm



Art & Photography Exhibition

on Bangladesh Street Culture
Artists: Rokeya, Kuhu, Smita, Ujjala and Anil
Venue: Bay's Galleria, 5th floor, 57, Gulshan Avenue
Date: November 8-23
Time: 11am-9pm (Fridays 3pm-11pm)



Adibashi Natya Utsab '08

Organiser: RDC in association with Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy
Venue: Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy
Date: November 12-15
Time: everyday 4pm onwards



Documentary Screening

Title: "Our Home After Sidi"
Organiser: Oxfam Bangladesh
Venue: Palash, Hotel Sheraton
Date: November 13
Time: 10:30 am
A discussion will be followed.



Radio Aamar holds road shows in Dhaka



On the occasion of its first anniversary, Radio Aamar (FM 88.4) arranged road shows at different parts of Dhaka including Gulshan 1 and 2, Mohakhali, Farmgate, Sonargaon, Shahbagh, Motijheel, Jatrahari, TSC, Science Laboratory intersection, Mirpur 1 and 10, says a press release.

The station with the slogan "True Voice of Bangladesh," has recently changed its transmission range from 101.6 FM to 88.4 FM. Among the popular programmes on Radio Aamar are "Amar Bhalobasha," "Sunday Night," "Rock the Town," "Music Train," "Mon-er Janala," "Melody Mania," "Jolsha," "Talk to Me," "Amar Sports" and more.

A new hope for indigenous performing arts

Dr. Israfil Shaheen on including 'jatrapala' in DU curriculum



Dr. Israfil Shaheen

JAMIL MAHMUD

'Jatrapala,' one of the traditional performing arts of rural Bengal, has lately become one of the neglected, on the verge of becoming extinct art forms. There is good news, however. The Department of Theatre and Music, Dhaka University has included 'jatrapala' in its curriculum. From now on, 3rd year students of the department will study the medium thoroughly as one of their courses.

On the occasion, the department arranged a month-long workshop and staged a 'jatrapala' adaptation of Dwijendra Lal Roy's 'Shah Jahan' recently at the ongoing Dhaka University 3rd Central Theatre Festival. Noted jatra artistes Jyotsna Bishwas, SM Mohsin, Milon Kanti Dey, Sultan Selim and Rukta Sultana conducted the workshop, where DU students learnt about several integral issues of the medium such as



DU students staged a 'jatrapala' titled "Shah Jahan" on November 8 at the ongoing theatre festival at TSC auditorium.

form, presentation style, history and evolution.

Dr. Israfil Shaheen, chairman, Department of Theatre and Music, DU talked to The Daily Star regarding the inclusion of 'jatrapala' in DU curriculum.

"Through the inclusion of 'jatrapala' in our curriculum, the department focuses on the vast treasure of indigenous art forms of Bangladesh. I hope, this initiative will help students to delve deeper into our heritage, roots," said Dr. Shaheen.

The ongoing theatre festival at TSC, DU began on November 8 with the staging of a 'jatrapala.' Along with some Bangla classics, the festival showcases plays from around the world. But students' enthusiasm during the staging of 'Shah Jahan' was remarkable, according to Dr. Shaheen.

"Jatrapala" is a cultural archetype and initiative to regain its lost glory is the need of the time," said Dr. Shaheen.

But would including the medium in the DU curriculum alone suffice? Dr. Shaheen is hopeful. He said, "After graduating from the department, some students work for TV channels, some for NGOs, some as freelancers while some dedicate themselves to performing arts. I'm hopeful that even if it's a few, some students will work for this art form in future with utmost devotion."

Dr. Shaheen thinks that to regain the lost glory of 'jatrapala' not only DU but also other universities have to take positive steps. Furthermore he feels that authorities should include performing arts at the primary school level. He said, "It'd be a breakthrough if children get to know more about these neglected art forms. It should help them grow as well."

In the past, the Theatre and Music Department, DU had arranged performances of several other indigenous art forms like 'pala gaan,' 'Gazir gaan,' 'royani' and 'Ramayan gaan.'

Roger Moore dislikes the new, violent Bond

REUTERS, New York

Movie audiences nowadays expect scenes of graphic violence in "James Bond" movies, unlike when Roger Moore played the super spy with a tongue-in-cheek humour, the actor believes.

"I am happy to have done it, but I'm sad that it has turned so violent," Moore said about "Quantum of Solace," starring Daniel Craig as a darker Agent 007.

"That's keeping up with the times, it's what cinema-goers seem to want and it's proved by the box-office figures," Moore told Reuters in an interview about his memoir, "My Word is My Bond."

Moore, 81, recalled being appalled at the violence in "A View to a Kill," the 1985 movie which was the last of the seven in which he played Bond. "That wasn't Bond," he said.

In his book, Moore writes of his distaste for guns, ever since he was shot in the leg by a friend with a BB gun as a teenager.

While making "The Man With the Golden Gun," director Guy Hamilton wanted Bond to be tougher and had him threaten to break Maud Adams' character's arm to get information, he writes. "That sort of characterisation didn't sit well with me, but Guy was keen to make my Bond a little more ruthless."

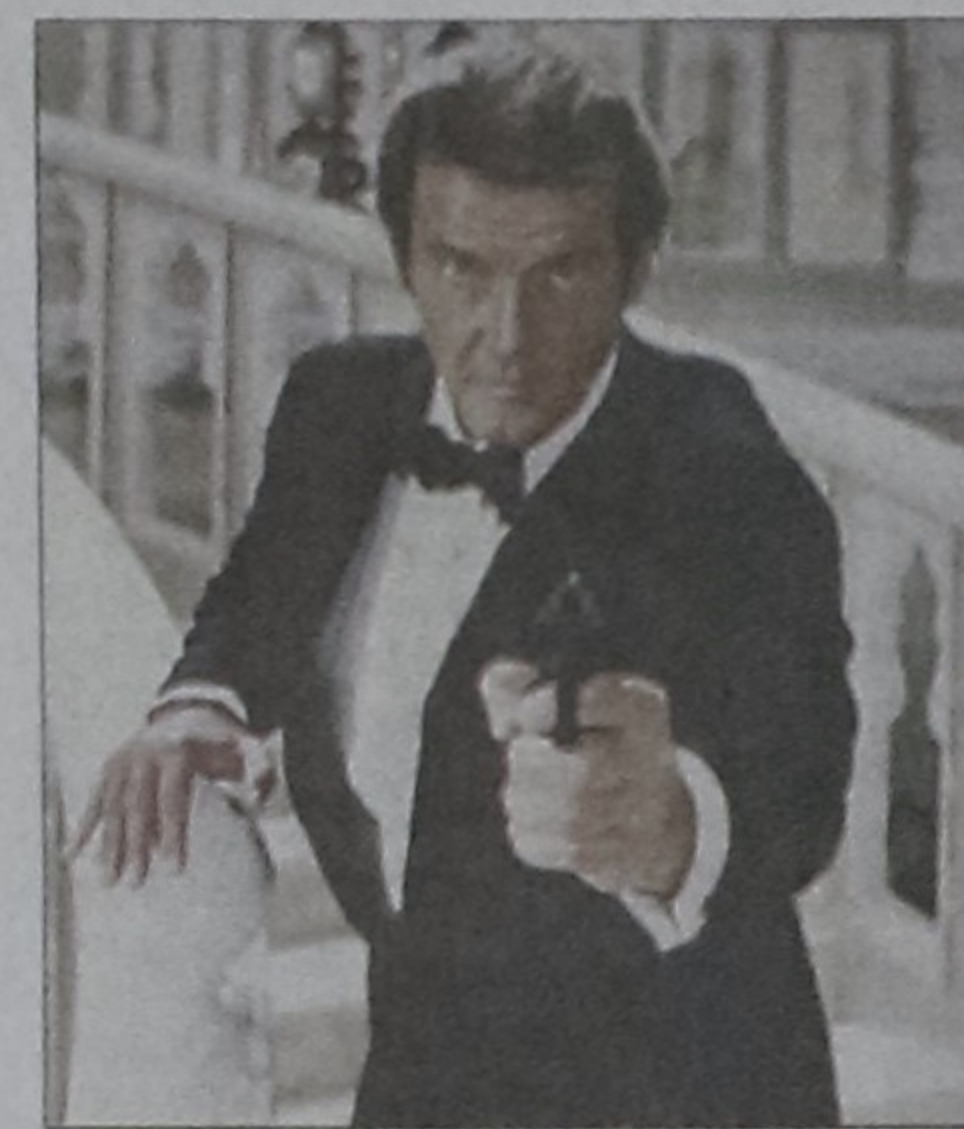
"I suggested my Bond would have charmed the information out of her by bedding her first. My Bond was a lover and a giggler, but I went along with Guy," the British actor wrote.

Moore has not yet seen "Quantum of Solace," but based on Craig's first Bond film, "Casino Royale," believes it will be a success in North America too.

"Daniel has done one Bond and he was in 'Munich' and ... he's done a lot of stuff, but his face, after one Bond film, that's all he needs. He is Bond," Moore said. His memoir is full of anecdotes about Hollywood and the stars he worked with such as Vivien Leigh, Mae West and Lana Turner. He also tells of his bust-up with Grace Jones during the filming of "A View to a Kill," when he forcibly pulled the plug on her stereo and flung a chair against the wall because she was playing loud rock music.

The only child of a south London policeman, Moore also writes about growing up before and during World War Two, of evacuation to the country and air raids and getting -- and being fired from -- his first job with a cartoon film company.

"You're not that good, so smile a lot when you come on!" his first repertory theatre manager told him. His first wife, who was a professional ice skater, was no less encouraging: "You'll never be an actor, your face is too weak, your jaw is too big and your mouth is too small."



Roger Moore



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Indigenous artistes perform in a cultural programme held in Mymensingh to mark the reception of Archbishop Joseph Marino, new Ambassador of Vatican in Bangladesh recently. The cultural programme was held at the auditorium of CARITAS Mymensingh Regional Office. The programme highlighted dance and music performed by the artistes of Mymensingh Catholic Diocese and Alokdhara, a local cultural group.



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

On Air

BTv

08:20 Shuprobhaat
09:05 Talk Show
10:05 Open University
10:30 Musical Programme
11:20 Desher Gaan
12:10 Documentary Programme
12:30 Maa O Shishur Katha
01:00 Metho Shur
01:30 Shukhi Poribar
02:40 Jonopad
03:05 Cartoon
03:30 Esho Gaan Shikhi
04:05 Swadesh Swambhabona
04:30 Musical Programme: Saangeela
05:05 Sisimpur
06:15 Dhormo O Jibon
07:00 Bol Potro
08:50 Drama: Oli Barbar Phirey Ashay
10:30 Movie of the Week

ATN Bangla

08:15 Aker Shanbadpotro
08:30 Drama Serial: Joyotsna Kaal
09:15 Rang Manchoy Taal
10:30 Talk Show: Anyodrishti
11:15 Top Spin
12:15 Shur Madhuri
12:50 Shodaspati
01:30 Cinema Cinema
02:30 Talk Chart
03:15 Shundor Jibon-er Joniyo
04:10 Musical Programme
05:10 Islamic Programme
06:20 Priyo Jon
08:00 Drama Serial: Mouchakey Dhi
08:40 Drama Serial: Nupur
09:20 Drama Serial: Amader Nurul Huda
11:30 Daily Soap: Doli's House
12:00 Grameenphone Aker Shanbadpotro
12:30 Onyodrishti
12:30 Shokaaer Gaan
09:30 Shangbadpotre Bangladesh
09:45 Public Reaction

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09:50 Talk Show: Grameenphone
Tritomatra
03:30 Agricultural Programme:
Hindoye Mabi O Manush-er Daak
04:05 Shilpa O Shangskriti
05:30 Muktiudyho Protidin
06:00 Aamar Chhobi
06:20 Shikhyar Charchitro
07:50 LUX Channel i Super Star'08
09:35 Drama Serial: Doink Tolpaar
10:00 Travel Show: RC Travel On
11:30 Musical Programme: Citycell Sa 2 Sa

Rtv

08:40 Sa Sa Dhin Tai
09:00 Talk Show
09:30 Wide Angle
10:30 Drama Serial: Dahan

09:00 Mukhomukhi
Drama Serial: Ghar Shongshar
09:40 Drama Serial: Naor
11:30 Live Music: Tomaar Jonyo
Amaar Ea Gaan
08:30 Aker Shokaal
08:55 Drama Serial: Eit Kather
Khancha
10:30 Drama
12:10 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy
01:05 Cartoon: Meena
02:35 Drama Serial: Eit Kaacher
Khancha
03:20 Drama Serial: Tin Purush
03:50 Drama Serial: Neer
05:25 Ithasher Ei Din-ey
05:35 Islamic Programme

10:30 Ekush-er Business
10:50 Financial Bulletin
11:30 Ekush-er Business
02:30 Drama Serial: Akey Shunya
Dash
03:20 Golpo Sholpo Gaan
Sports Plus
05:45 Ekush-er Shondha
Desh Jurey
07:50 Dhun Tana
09:30 Dhaka Fashion
10:10 Ekush-er Chokh
10:50 Financial Bulletin
09:00 Drama
09:30 Drama Serial: Swapnochura
10:10 Drama
11:03 Selected Programme

BANGLAVISION

09:00 Drama
09:30 Drama Serial: Swapnochura
10:10 Drama
11:03 Selected Programme

06:20 Musical Programme
08:25 Drama Serial: Shomudro Jol
09:05 X Crime
09:45 Daily Soap: Gulshan Avenue
11:45 Election Express
12:00 Shanbad Protidin
08:40 Shuprobhaat Bangladesh
10:30 Bangla Feature Film
Padma Raag
02:00 Dash Hazar Ek Taka
04:00 Hiraak bari Shonaar Shonaar
Churi
04:30 Music One
05:15 Golla Chhut
06:00 Sanjibela
07:00 Shuktara
08:15 Drama: Daash Hazar Eak Taka

08:20 Hollywood's 10 Best
08:40 Three Men and a Little Lady
11:00 The Recruit
09:45 Flags Of Our Fathers
12:30 Open Season
12:30 Hollywood One On One 15
02:45 Dark Storm
04:30 Hollywood Spotlight: Ben Stiller
05:00 Bring It On: All Or Nothing
07:00 The Making Of The Pursuit Of
Happyness
07:15 The Pursuit Of Happyness
09:30 Charlie's Angels
11:30 Sleepless In Seattle
08:40 The Invincible Iron Man

STAR MOVIES

08:40 The Invincible Iron Man

12:50 See No Evil

STAR WORLD

09:30 My Name Is Earl
10:00 Hope And Faith
10:30 Grey's Anatomy
11:30 The Moment
Of Truth
12:30 Jimmy Kimmel Live
01:30 Shark
02:30 The Ellen Degeneres
03:30 Fashion House
04:30 Cold Case
05:30 Grey's Anatomy
06:30 Friday Night Lights
07:30 Friends
08:00 Seinfeld
08:30 Less Than Perfect
09:00 Samantha Who?
09:30 The Moment Of Truth
10:30 Ghost Whisperer
11:30 Jimmy Kimmel Live

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

09:15 Creative Vision
09:30 The Supermarket
10:30 Doolittle's Daring Raid
12:15 Creative Vision
12:30 St. Peter
01:30 Sex In The 20Th Century
02:30 Battle of Britain
03:30 Thomas Edison
04:30 The Supermarket
05:30 Man Moment Machine
06:30 St. Peter
07:30 The Pagans
08:30 Distilleries
09:30 Saddam Hussein
10:30 Human Weapon
11:30 Battle of Britain

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC CHANNEL

08:15 Creative Vision-NGC
08:30 Dangerous Encounters
10:30 Caught On Safari: Live!
11:45 Creative Vision-NGC
12:00 Living with Lions
13:00 Buffalo Warrior
14:00 Snake Paradise
15:00 Megastructures
16:30 Monkey Thieves
17:30 Big Bang
18:00 Jaguar
19:00 Dangerous Encounters
20:00 Monkey Thieves
21:30 Caught On Safari: Live!
22:30 Africa's Viper Giant
23:00 Megastructures



Brishtir Jonjo

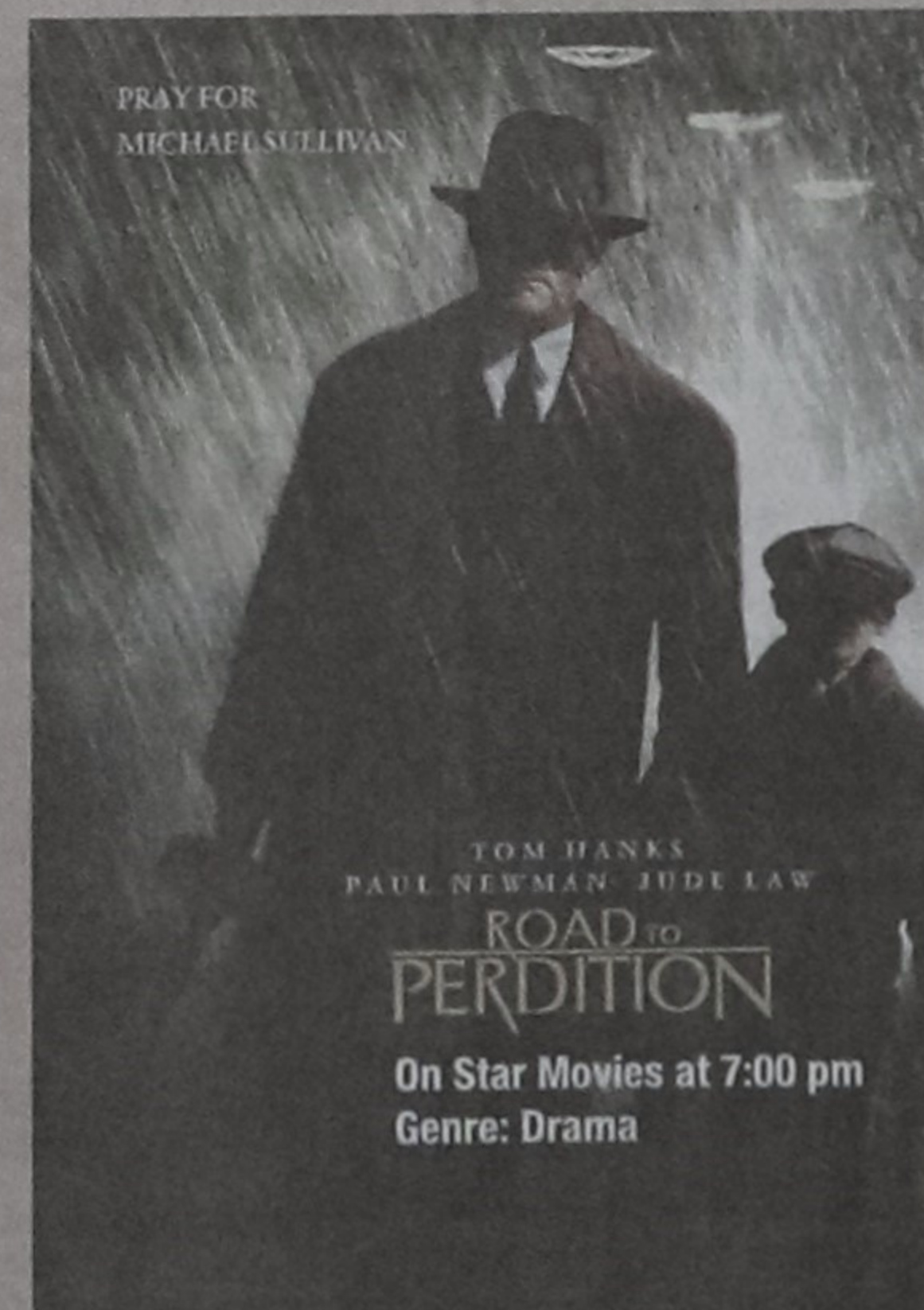
On ntv at 9:45 pm

Drama Serial

Cast: Sahiduzzaman Selim, Tropha Majumder



Radio Foorti 88.0 FM
07:00am Hello Dhaka
11:00am Amar 88
03:00pm Dhaka Calling
07:00pm Seven Eleven
12:00am 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-lum
08:00pm Tobe Tai Hok
12:00pm Today's Happy
Moments
12:10am Today's Dances
Grooves
02:00am Back to Back



On Star Movies at 7:00 pm

Genre: Drama

11:00 Tarokalap
11:30 Drama Serial: Ghar Shangshar
12:25 Drama Serial: Adda
01:03 Protidin
02:03 Bangla Feature Film
06:00 Protidin
06:30 South Asia TV Programme
08:00 Gniho Shoihi
08:30 Talk Show: Shomoyer

06:45 Musical Programme: Amaro
Gaithey Ichhey Holo
08:15 Drama Serial: House Full
09:00 Glamour World
09:45 Drama Serial: Brishtir Jonjo
11:35 Musical Programme: Music Jam
09:30 Deho Ghori

11:35 Musical Programme: Nana
Rang-er Dinguli
12:30 Health Show: Home Care
02:00 Drama Serial: Antorikho
02:30 Selected Programme
03:05 Daily Soap: Gulshan Avenue
04:20 Cinebit
05:15 Top Story
05:45 Citycell Din-er Sheshey

09:00 Rock and Rage
09:30 The One
11:00 Gaan-er Katha Kathar Gaan
08:30 Arahan
10:45 Submarine X-1
12:45 The Groomsman
02:45 When A Man Loves A Woman
05:45 Sweet Home Alabama

10:05 Vip Access: High School
Musical 3
10:35 Hard Target
12:15 Punch-Drunk Love
01:50 Layer Cake
03:25 Initiation Of Sarah, The
05:00 Planet Of The Apes
07:00 Road To Perdition
08:55 Die Hard With A Vengeance
11:00 Bordertown