

WHAT'S
ON THIS
WEEKPrint Makers'
Exhibition

Organiser: Shilpangan
Venue: Shilpangan
Gallery, H 26, Rd 3,
Dhanmondi
Date: December 25-
January 8
Time: 12pm-8pm



Cartoon Exhibition

Title: Cartoon from 1971
and South Asian Cartoon
Congress
Organiser: Himat, South
Asia-Drik and Ummad-Drik
Venue: Drik Gallery, H 58,
Rd 15A (new), Dhanmondi
Date: December 22-28
Time: 3pm-8pm

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from New Nepal

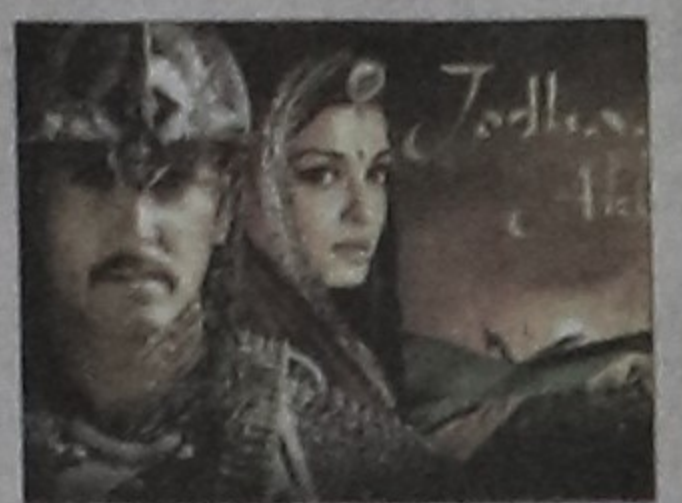
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Dance

Organiser: Shadhona
Venue: Natmandal,
Dhaka University
Date: December 30
Time: 6pm



Film Screening

Film: Jodha Akbar
Venue: Indian Cultural
Centre, H 35, Rd 24,
Gulshan-1
Date: January 2
Time: 6pm

Patriotic and inspirational songs
at Srijon's monthly programme

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

In continuation of their regular monthly programme -- on the last Saturday of every month -- cultural organisation 'Srijon' arranged a musical soiree featuring songs of yesteryears, on December 27.

The programme was held at Poet Sufia Kamal Auditorium, National Museum. Titled "Bijoy Ullash," the programme was the 77th arrangement by the organisation.

Apart from Rabindra and Nazrul Sangeet, artistes also performed songs of Swadhin Bangla Betar Kendra and more.

The event started with a rendition of Swadhin Bangla Betar Kendra songs -- "Rokto diye naam likhechhi" and "Mora ekti phoolkei bachabo boley" -- by Rafiqul Alam Selim. Sheikh Ruhul Amin performed "Chander kalonko achhey boley". Nusrat Jahan Runa sang an old film classic "Kichhu apni shonan" and "Tomar angina thekey". Zakir Hossein sang -- "Jareyjabijodiya".

Badrnunessa Dalia rendered "Moner



An artiste sings at the programme.

rangey rangabo" and the SD Burman classic "Tumi esheychhile porshu". Sanjida Titli performed "Ai noy gungun" and a patriotic song "Ek nodi rokto periye".

Noted Nazrul artiste Kalpana Anam also performed at the programme.

Renowned music composer Shujee Shyama was the chief guest at the programme.

Academy Awards voting under way

The first round of voting for the Oscars has begun after ballot papers were posted to members of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

Some 5,810 voting members will decide which actors and films will be nominated ahead of an official announcement on 22 January.

A second round of voting will then begin to decide who will be announced as the 2009 winners on 22 February.

This year's awards will be hosted by Australia actor Hugh Jackman.

Early front-runners for best film include Mumbai-set drama Slumdog Millionaire, directed by British director Danny Boyle.

The Curious Case of Benjamin Button, starring Brad Pitt, is also tipped for

the top prize.

Membership of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences is made up of actors, directors and other professionals from across the industry.

The voting papers were sent out on Tuesday and must be returned by 12 January to count towards nominations.

Last week, nominations were announced for the 2009 Screen Actors Guild (SAG) awards -- one of the key indicators for Oscar success.

British actress Kate Winslet was shortlisted in two categories, as best actress for Revolutionary Road and best supporting actress for post-war drama The Reader.

Political biopic Milk and play adaptations, Doubt and Frost/Nixon, were

among films shortlisted for the SAG best ensemble award -- its equivalent of a best picture prize.

On Tuesday, SAG, which has 120,000 members, postponed its vote on whether to go on strike.

It had wanted to ballot members on 2 January but will not now do so until 14 January at the earliest, because of division among its members.

The union objects to studio plans to make one-off rather than residual payments to actors in shows made for the internet.

Any strike action could cripple the Oscar ceremony, with actors unlikely to cross picket lines.

Source: BBC

Sanjoy Ghosh The portrait of an artist

KAVITA CHARANJI

The world through the eyes of a child, human relationships and the mysteries of space. These subjects fascinate Kolkata-based artist Sanjoy Ghosh who recently displayed his works at the art gallery of the majestic Travancore Palace in New Delhi. Among his show stealers at the exhibition, titled The Waiting, was The Great Attachment, a mixed media on canvas. A semi-abstract work, Ghosh has a unique explanation for the painting. "Suddenly it came upon me that our planet is moving through space at a very high speed and we are attached to it like ants and can't get out. I felt my pelvis very heavy and I am concentrating on the space."

Then there is an art work titled The Relation, also in mixed media. Here we have the semi-nude figures of a man and a woman. "Here I have tried to express the handicap of a man who is unable to satisfy the woman. I have used a crutch to depict his handicap. Still the woman has not left him because she loves him."

Another work that captivates the viewer is My Village, once again in mixed media. With child-like lines, Ghosh reveals the view of a village through a child's eyes. "I



Chariot of Life

love this painting very much," says Ghosh, going on to add, "Though I am not from a village, I feel as if I am there in its joyful, pleasant environs."

The high point of the exhibition is the display of his art labels for a wine company called Vin Opera. One of them shows a woman flying over the city, the other an intoxicated man on a higher plane.

The exhibition carries a somewhat over the top placard stating that since 1945 the finest wine companies are commissioning legends like Picasso, Dali

and Chagall to do their paintings for their art labels. Sanjoy, it says, is the first Indian artist to get this rare opportunity. "I am very embarrassed to find my name along with such great artists. First Meera Kakar of Mirart Fine Art Gallery, who presented the show, said Dada you have to do some labels. While I had initial reservations, she persuaded me to do some art works with the theme of wine."

Hard to believe but the talented Ghosh's right arm is paralysed. After a polio attack at the age of

four, he lost the use of his hands and feet. Two years later he recovered but he has lost the use of his right arm. Now he paints with his left hand, a skill that he picked up in his childhood.

Working in the United India Insurance Company, he now dreams of the day when he will be able to paint fulltime. Why the title of The Waiting? In his words, "I feel that life is a process of waiting. I have waited a long time and am still waiting for inspiration and appreciation from art lovers." Hopefully the waiting will end soon.



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

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-i
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): 2:30 pm,
4:30 pm, 6:30 pm, 8:30 pm,
10:30 pm, 12:30 am

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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

08:45 World Roundup
09:05 Selected Programme
09:30 Smritimoy Geetimoy
10:05 Open University
10:30 Tarana
10:55 Selected Programme
11:30 Drama Serial: Shesh
Shomudro
12:10 Documentary Programme:
El Amar Bangladesh
12:30 Shukhi Poribar
02:15 Nityer Taley Taley
02:45 Krira Diganto
03:05 Cartoon
03:30 Jibon-er Jonjo
04:05 Amrao Pari
04:35 Baanshuri
05:05 Debate
06:15 Matri Bhasha
07:10 Drama: Bilati Jamai
08:35 Krishi Dibanshi
09:00 Drama Serial: Joy Porajoy
10:30 Bangla Feature Film

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08:15 Akker Shanbadpolro
08:30 Drama Serial: Sagai
09:15 Asian City Top Spin
10:30 Muktiyudhder Ithash
12:15 Notun Chhobir Gaan
01:25 Tele-film: Potro Mitai
03:15 Special Programme on
Election
03:45 Special Programme on
Election
04:20 Special Programme on
Election
05:10 Bangla Feature Film

05:40 Special Programme on
Election
06:20 Special Programme on
Election
06:45 Special Programme on
Election
08:00 Special Programme on
Election
08:40 Special Programme on
Election
12:00 Solo Musical Programme
of Eva Rahman
CHANNEL i
10:00 Special Programme on
Election: Nirbachoni
Shondesh
02:30 Bangla Feature Film: Mad
in Bangladesh
07:50 Musical Programme

09:35 Drama Serial: Ghatak
Ebong Amra
10:30 Ekushey Business
01:30 Musical Programme:
Golpo Sholpo Gaan
02:30 Drama Serial: Tuntuni
Bhila
03:20 Golpo Sholpo Gaan
04:05 Eid Special: Bhooghurey
Dot Com
04:30 Desh Jurey
05:30 Sports Plus
07:45 Cookery Show: Tomi Mian
Recipe
08:30 Drama Serial: Tuntuni
Bhila
09:30 Drama Serial: Ghatak
Ebong Amra
11:50 Financial Bulletin

02:30 Drama Serial: Seat
Khali Nai
04:10 Closeup 1 Shera Baro
06:45 Bhalobashar Uthobey
08:20 Drama: El Borshay
11:00 Projapoti Mon
BANGLAVISION
08:00 Dance Programme:
Shombhashon
08:40 Natok Thekey
Gaan
09:20 Shomali Shondhay
10:10 Bangla Feature Film
04:20 Concert: James &
Shejad Roy
05:15 Musical Programme
05:45 Citycell Din-er Sheshey
06:20 Selected Programme:
Rashik Raaj

HBO

09:15 The Patriot
12:30 Daddy Day Camp
02:15 The Making Of Over
The Hedge
03:00 Hot Stepper
05:15 Jaws 2
07:30 Disturbia
09:30 The 6th Day
12:00 Peacemaker
STAR MOVIES
09:10 Desperate Measures
10:55 Men Of Honor
01:05 Behind Enemy Lines
02:55 The Legend Of Baggar
Vance
08:05 Shallow Hal
07:00 Bridge To Terabithia

10:00 The Knights Of
Prosperity
10:30 La Femma
Nikita
11:30 Whistler
12:30 90210
01:30 Boston Legal
02:30 The Ellen Degeneres
03:30 Fashion House
04:30 Cold Case
05:30 La Femma Nikita
06:30 Whistler
09:00 Whose Line Is It
Anyway?
09:30 30 Rock
10:00 Scrubs
10:30 Monk
11:30 Jimmy Kimmel
Live

(BA61108)-15 Mins
12:30 When Billie beat
Bobby
02:30 Mahabharata
03:30 Icons of Power
05:30 Vidhu Vinod Chopra
06:00 Ram Gopal Varma
06:30 Biography
07:30 Indian Journeys
08:30 The Fight
10:00 The Greats
10:30 Around The World In
80 Treasur
11:30 Bhanwar
**NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC
CHANNEL**
08:30 Strange Days
10:00 Monkey Thieves
11:00 Creative Vision- NGC



Mad e in Bangladesh
On Channel i at 2:30 pm
Bangla Feature Film
Cast: Zahid Hassan, Shahiduzzaman Selim, Tania



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-lum
08:00pm Tobe Tai Hok
11:00pm Raat Vor Gan
02:00 am Back to Back



On Star Movies at 7:00 pm
Genre: Fantasy/Drama
Cast: Josh Hutcherson,
AnnaSophia Robb

11:30 Ic 814 Air Hijack
12:30 Close Encounters
01:30 Dangerous
Encounters
02:30 Hyenas Queen
03:30 Planet Carnivore
04:30 Strange Days
06:00 Big Bang
06:30 Air Crash Investigation
07:30 Hippo Hell
08:30 World's Deadliest
Animals
09:30 Against All Odds
10:30 Air Crash Investigation
11:30 Against All Odds

ZEE STUDIO

08:30 House of 9
10:15 The In-Laws
12:15 The Hurricane
03:15 Shall We Dance
05:45 Motor Cycle
Diaries
08:30 Mansfield Park
11:00 Air Force One

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

08:30 Biography
10:15 Creative Vision
10:30 The Fight
11:30 Creative Vision
12:15 Body Armour

STAR WORLD

09:00 Friends
09:30 Carpoolers

08:15 Musical Programme: Star
Song
09:05 Dance Programme: Dha
Tin Tan
09:45 Musical Programme:
Kemon Achho
11:25 Rashik Raaj

09:35 Drama: Nuruddin-er
Shornopadaak
12:30 Bangla Feature Film:
Hoatath Brishti
ETV
08:30 Ekush-er Shokal

08:30 Aker Shokaal
08:55 Drama: Probaad Bakyo
10:05 Tele-film: X Factor
01:05 Musical Programme:
Geetar Amar Bondhu