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ON THIS  
WEEK

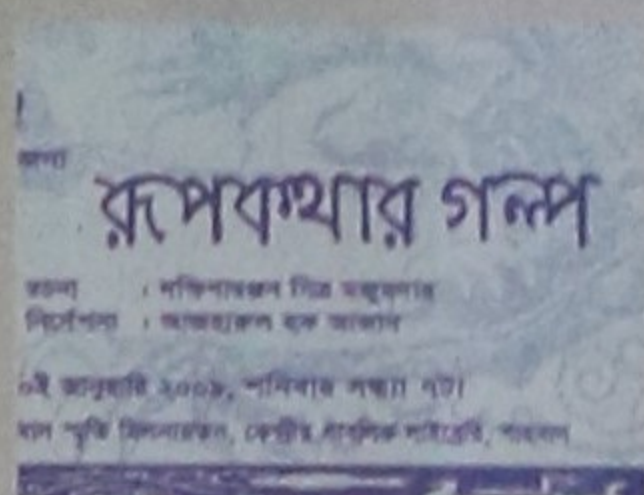
## Print Makers' Exhibition

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



## Recitation

Title: Rupkothar Galpo  
Organiser:  
Kanthasheelan  
Venue: Shawkat  
Osman Auditorium,  
Central Public Library,  
Shahbag  
On January 10 at 7pm

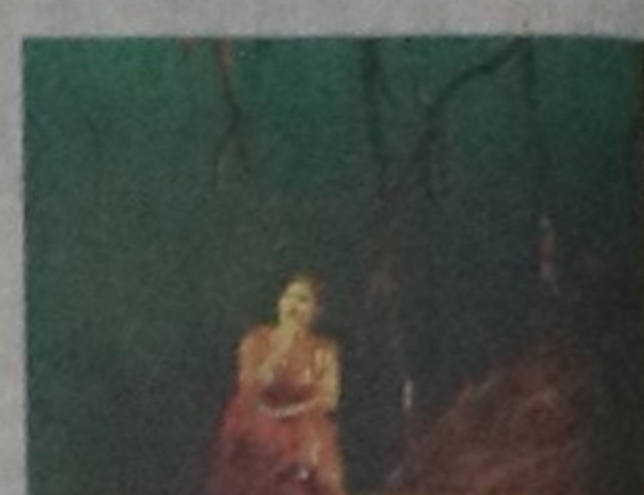
Digital Biography  
and Photography  
Exhibition

Title: Jibon O Chitrey Gunjon  
Organiser: Gunjon  
Venue: Alliance  
Francaise, 26, Mirpur Rd,  
Dhanmondi  
Date: January 6-10  
Time: 9am-12pm, 5-8pm



## Dance Drama

Play: Hey Ananta  
Punya  
Troupe: Shadhona  
Venue: National  
Theatre Hall, BSA  
Date: January 9  
Time: 7pm

Songs and poems of  
the four winds

Sharmila Roy Pommot performs at Alliance Francaise

JAMIL MAHMUD

It was an unusual situation at La Galerie, Alliance Francaise de Dacca on the evening of January 5. Usually cultural programmes in our country are delayed for artists or special guests who arrive late. At La Galerie, the programme too was delayed, for nearly an hour; this time not for the performer or special guests, but rather the organiser waited for the audience to fill up the venue.

The programme featured solo performance by Paris-based Bengali singer Sharmila Roy Pommot (originally from West Bengal, India). The artiste took the stage on time with two companions.

Sharmila, a Tagore singer who is known for her personal interpretation of the Nobel laureate poet's creations, started with a rendition of the Rabindra Sangeet "Alo Amar Alo." Rajnarayan Bhattacharya (on 'tabla' and 'khol') and Sewli Basu (on 'esraj') -- both from West Bengal -- provided 'sangat'.

Prior to reciting excerpts from Tagore's musical "Chandalika", Sharmila rendered two more Tagore songs -- "Ki dhoni bajey" and "Amar praan-er manush achhey praaney."

The soiree was titled "Songs and Poems of the Four Winds". Songs rendered at the programme

represented four different aspects. Apart from Rabindra Sangeet, Sharmila performed songs based on poems from Bangladesh, India and France.

The artiste also went over a comparative performance of songs (composed by her) based on poems from Bangladesh and West Bengal.

Sharmila started the performance with the song "Swadhinata tumi," based on the late Shamsur Rahman's poem with the same title. The song is featured in Amirul Arham's documentary on the poet's life and works. Sharmila has also done playback for Satyajit Ray's "Jana Aranya" and Peter Brook's "Mahabharata".

At the programme, Sharmila also rendered songs based on Nirmalendu Gun's "Premangshur rakto chai," and poet Shankha Ghosh's "Bapjan hey" and "Boka".

Sharmila was born in Kolkata and is at present settled in Paris. She informed that in Paris, she performs her unique interpretation of Tagore songs. The artiste ended the programme with the song "Rakto golap guchchho amakey dio na." The composition is based on a French poem highlighting the brutality of war.

Sharmila Roy will perform at Chhayarat Sangskriti Bhaban on January 10.



Sharmila Roy Pommot

Beijing to get a  
Broadway of  
its own

The distance between a Broadway show and an authentic Chinese meal is about to get a lot shorter, at least for theatre-goers in the Eastern hemisphere. A \$686 million construction project will bring a 32-theatre complex to Beijing, where imports of Western musicals and other shows will play year-round, Variety reported.

The entertainment complex is being built by Beijing Shibo Real Estate in the city's Haidian district, and is expected to run more than 100 shows a year. Its biggest theatre will seat 2,000 people, while others will accommodate 300 to 500 audience members.

Translated versions of Western musicals like "Mamma Mia!" and "The Lion King" have become increasingly popular in China, and theatrical producers like Cameron Mackintosh and Nederlander Worldwide Entertainment have previously announced plans to bring their shows to that country.

Source: Internet



A Chinese poster for "The Lion King," which had a long run in Shanghai.

Laura Bush signs deal  
for memoir

Here's one more volume that President Bush and Karl Rove can add to their years-long book-reading contest: Laura Bush will write a memoir of her life and hereyears in the White House.

The publisher Scribner, an imprint of Simon & Schuster, said in a release that it had acquired Mrs. Bush's as-yet untitled book and plans to publish it in 2010. The release follows weeks of speculation and rumblings that the US first lady had been meeting with editors in New York to dis-

cuss the project.

Scribner said in its announcement that the memoir would offer "an intimate account of Mrs. Bush's life experiences." Mrs. Bush said in the release that she would tell "the stories of the extraordinary events and people I've met in my life, particularly during my years in the White House." Financial terms of the deal were not disclosed.

Source: Internet



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

On  
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## 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,  
9:00am, 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  
(English) 8:20am, 7:00pm  
am, 1:00pm, 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

**ntv**  
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

## ATN BANGLA

08:15 Ajker Shanbadpotro  
08:30 Drama Serial: Syed Barir  
Bou  
09:15 Asian City Top Spin  
10:30 Onnodrishti  
11:05 Style Icon  
12:15 IT Zone  
01:25 Band View  
02:30 Drama Serial: Larey  
Lappa  
03:15 Drama Serial: Rupali  
Manush  
03:45 Children's Programme:  
Srishti Shukher Ullashey  
04:20 Islamic Programme  
Banijomela Probidin  
05:10 Islamic Programme  
Take Care  
06:45 Projomno Katha  
08:00 Drama Serial:  
08:40 Drama Serial: Ghar Jamai  
09:20 Drama Serial: Rod- Brishti  
Shohorey  
11:30 Talk Show: Talking Point  
12:00 Grameenphone Lead  
News

## CHANNEL 1

08:05 Tagore Song  
08:30 Shokaal-er Gaan  
09:30 Shanbadpotre  
Bangladesh  
09:45 Public Reaction  
09:50 Grameenphone  
Tribomatra  
11:05 Sports Time  
11:30 Educational Programme:  
Medha Bikash  
12:30 Citycell Taroka Katha  
01:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan  
01:30 Musical Programme: Sa  
Re Ga Ma  
02:35 Hridoyer Gaan  
03:05 Musical Programme:  
Meridian Channel 1

Khudey Gaan Raaj  
04:30 Apnaar Shuswashtio  
05:30 Special Programme  
06:00 Mega Serial: Saath  
Goenda  
06:20 Cookery Show  
07:50 Drama Serial:  
Chandrabinu  
08:25 Drama Serial: Shagotom  
Bhalobasha  
09:35 Drama Serial: Prithibir  
Shob Rup Mekhey Achhey  
Ghashey  
10:00 Documentary Programme:  
Jibon Jekhaney Jemon  
11:30 Drama Serial: Chondro  
Katha  
12:00 Grameenphone Ajker  
Shanbadpotro

## ETV

09:30 Binodon-er Bishwa  
10:02 O Amar Bondhu

05:45 Skukher Shondha  
07:45 Campus Campus  
08:30 Drama Serial: Akey  
Shunya Dash  
09:30 Drama Serial: Tomtom  
10:50 Financial Bulletin  
11:45 Rhythm and Dance  
**ntv**  
08:30 Ajker Shokaal  
08:55 Drama Serial: Eit  
Kaancher Khancha  
09:30 Crime Watch  
10:05 Selected Programme  
10:30 Music Express  
11:30 Glamour World  
12:10 Ei Shomoy  
01:05 Japan Video Topic  
02:30 Drama Serial: Ondhokaar-  
er Phil  
03:15 Drama Serial: Jhuthamela  
04:10 Quiz Show: Ispahani  
Janar Achhey Bolar

09:45 Drama Serial: Neer  
11:25 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy  
**CHANNEL 1**  
08:40 Shuprobhaat Bangladesh  
10:30 Bangla Feature Film  
03:30 Drama Serial: Mayur  
Bahon  
04:00 Drama Serial: Hiraak Bari  
Shonaar Churi  
05:15 Bioscope  
06:00 Saaj Bela  
07:00 Padmaraag  
08:15 Drama Serial: Dash Hazar  
Ek Taka  
09:00 Drama Serial: Hirakbari  
Shonaar Churi  
09:30 Music Wagon  
11:00 Gaan-er Katha Kathar  
Gaan  
**BANGLAVISION**  
08:30 Gharey Bahirey

05:15 Drama Serial: Gulshan  
Avenue  
05:45 Citycell Din-er Sheshey  
06:20 Obhobashir Gham-er Taka  
06:50 Media Bhuvan  
08:15 Daily Soap: Mohanagar  
Home Care  
09:05 Drama Serial: Gulshan  
Avenue  
09:45 Bangladesh Swapno  
Dekhey  
**Rtv**  
09:00 Very Filmy  
10:03 Adda  
11:03 Taroka Alap  
11:30 Din Choley Jay  
01:03 Dhaliwood Beats  
02:03 Bangla Future Film  
Nazrul Song  
05:30 Selected Programme  
07:00 Drama Serial: Ghar  
Shongshar

07:45 Buying The Cow  
09:30 Cats & Dogs  
11:15 Attack Of The Sabretooth  
**NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC  
CHANNEL**  
09:30 Perilous Journeys  
10:30 Creative Vision- NGC  
11:30 Amazing Moments  
12:30 Al Qaeda Calling  
01:30 Built For The Kill  
02:30 Living With Big Cats  
03:30 Megastructures  
04:30 NAT GEO WILD  
05:30 Big Bang  
06:30 World's Biggest Casino  
07:30 Built For The Kill  
08:30 The Dark Side of Hippos  
09:30 Monkey Thieves  
10:30 Megafish  
11:30 Fight Masters  
Built For The Kill

04:05 Yeti  
05:35 Epic Movie  
07:00 Shrooms  
08:40 Ronin  
10:40 Thank You For Smoking  
12:15 Unearthed  
**STAR WORLD**  
09:30 30 Rock  
10:00 Scrubs  
10:30 La Femme Nikita  
11:30 Whistler  
12:30 Jimmy Kimmel Live  
01:30 Heroes  
02:30 The Ellen Degeneres  
03:30 Murder She Wrote  
04:30 Cold Case  
05:30 La Femme Nikita  
06:30 October Road  
07:30 Friends  
08:30 Seinfeld  
09:00 Whose Line Is It Anyway?  
09:30 30 Rock  
10:00 Scrubs  
10:30 Shark  
11:30 Jimmy Kimmel Live  
12:30 Friends  
**THE HISTORY CHANNEL**  
09:30 Creative Vision  
10:30 Marco Polo  
11:30 Creative Vision  
12:30 Emma  
02:30 Mahabharata  
03:30 Marco Polo  
04:30 Lords Of The Mafia  
05:30 Tour Of Duty  
06:30 Michael Schumacher The  
Red Baron  
07:30 Bhanwar  
08:30 Marco Polo  
09:30 Rise And Rise Of David  
Beckham  
10:30 Century Of Flight  
11:30 Bhanwar  
12:30 Rise And Rise Of David  
Beckham  
**ZEE STUDIO**  
08:00 Coffee And Cigarettes  
10:00 The Defender  
12:00 Bringing Out The Dead  
12:50 filler  
02:45 Three Men and a Little  
Lady  
05:00 Air Force One  
07:45 The World's Fastest  
Indian  
10:30 When A Man Loves A  
Woman



Rod Brishti Shohorey  
On ATN Bangla at 9:20 pm  
Drama Serial  
Cast: Nadia, Jayanto Chatyapadhyay



**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  
04:00pm Today's Adda  
01:00pm U-turn  
08:00pm Tobe Tai Hok  
11:00pm Raat Yor Gan



On Star Movies at 10:40 pm  
Genre: Drama/ Comedy

**THANK YOU  
FOR SMOKING**

11:30 Ekushey Business  
12:30 Ekushey Business  
02:30 Drama Serial: Akey  
Shunya Dash  
03:30 Cine Hits  
04:00 Drama Serial: Tomtom  
04:30 Deshjurey Shanglaap  
05:30 Sports Plus

05:25 Achhey  
05:35 Ilihasher Ei Din-ey  
06:45 Apnaar Jigyasha  
08:15 Bajjo Ebong Bajjo  
09:00 Cookery Show: Siddiqua  
Kabir's Recipe  
Kichhu Katha Kichhu  
Gaan

09:00 Drama Serial: Jogphol  
09:30 Bangla Feature Film  
12:30 Ebong Classer Bairey  
02:00 Daily Soap: Mohanagar  
02:30 Top Story  
03:03 Gaanlalap  
04:20 Drama Serial:  
Swapnochura

10:00 Naiyor  
**HBO**  
10:30 An Inconvenient Truth  
12:30 Evolution  
02:30 The Fever  
04:15 Steel  
06:15 Closure

## STAR MOVIES

08:30 Vip Access: Vip Ticket To  
2009  
09:00 Primal Doubt  
10:25 Deja Vu  
12:30 Terminator, The  
Picture Perfect