

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Selim Al Deen Death Anniversary
 Organiser: Dhaka Theatre and Bangladesh Gram Theatre Academy
 Venue: Bangladesh Shipokola Academy
 Date: January 14-18
 Time: 6:30 pm (January 14-15)
 10:30am onwards (January 16-17)
 5pm (January 18)



2nd Children's Film Festival '09

Organiser: Children's Film Society Bangladesh
 Venue: Shawkat Osman Auditorium, Central Public Library, Shahbag
 Date: January 24-30
 Time: 11am onwards



Classical Music Festival

Organiser: Chhayanat
 Venue: Chhayanat Sangskriti Bhaban
 Date: January 15-17
 Time: 5:30 pm



Photography Exhibition

Title: Shishur Chokhe Bangladesh
 Organiser: Muktochokh
 Venue: Alliance Française, 26, Mirpur Road, Dharmoad
 Date: January 9-21
 Time: 9am-12pm and 5-8pm



Classical artiste Mahmudul Hasan does Bangladesh proud



Hasan (right) receiving his award from Nobel laureate Dr. RK Pachauri.

AZIBOR RAHMAN, Jhenidah

Bangladeshi classical artiste Mohammad Mahmudul Hasan has made his mark in the music scene. Recently, he won two gold medals from India for his outstanding talent in vocal music. One award is the Acharya Alaudin Music Circle Gold Medal in Master of Performing Arts (Music, Vocal), with a first class and distinction. The other award is the Sangeet Rasraj Pandit Shivkumar Shukla Gold Medal for the highest marks in the vocal practical paper.

Hasan has other distinctions as well -- in 1999, he bagged a special position in a Nazrul Sangeet competition under the aegis of the National Nazrul Centenary Celebration Committee, Ministry of Cultural Affairs. Later, he was awarded the Indo-Bangladesh Government

Scholarship in 2003 to study classical music for three years at the Maharaja Sayajirao University (MSU) of Baroda, Gujarat, India. On completion of the three-year Bachelor of Performing Arts (BPA) from the Department of Classical Music (with a first class) he went on to complete a two-year Master of Performing Arts (MPA) course on classical music from the same university in 2008 -- once again with a first class. Another feather in his cap was the award of the Dinkar Smriti Sangeet Gaurav Purashkar for special achievement in the field of Indian Art Music, 2008.

For his outstanding accomplishments, Hasan had the fortune to receive a gold medal from Dr. RK Pachauri of India (winner of the Nobel Peace Prize).

Talking to this correspondent about his years in India, Hasan said he went to the country at the behest of the Indian Council of Cultural Relations (ICCR) to

undertake his bachelor's programme.

Hasan's love for music was apparent at an early age. Son of Mohammad Omar Ali of Rajdharpur village under Jhenidah sadar upazila, Hasan received his primary training in music from Tapan Bhattacharya of Jhenidah. He also trained under Sohrab Hossain, Sudhin Das, Khairul Anam Shakil, Shaheen Samad, Ferdous Ara and Rezwan Ali.

Hasan also shone academically. In 2003 he gained admission to the Government Music College, Dhaka under the National University. On the completion of his two-year Bachelor of Music course he ranked first. Then came his fruitful years in Baroda.

Today Hasan is enlisted as a regular artiste of Bangladesh Betar in the category of Nazrul Sangeet and modern songs. He has also completed a diploma course in Nazrul Sangeet from Chhayanat Sangeet Bidayatan, Dhaka.

Mattu O Bondhura Education wrapped in fun

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

"Mattu O Bondhura," a new show for children combining education and entertainment, will be aired on Channel 1 starting from today.

The concept of "Mattu O Bondhura" is by Anjan Chowdhury Pintu. Shubhro Khan is directing the show and Arnob has done the title song. The programme is jointly produced by Machhanga Productions and Impress Telefilm Ltd.

Through stories and songs by a character named Mattu and his friends Jhumi, Mitu, Tinu and Porag -- in a garden, in 'Tepantor-er Matth' and 'Swapnogh' -- children will get lessons in different issues that address their psychological development.

"Mattu O Bondhura" will be aired every Thursday at 6:20pm. The premier show was held at Shishu Park Bot-tola on January 12.



Children sing and dance at the premier of "Mattu O Bondhura" held at Shishu Park on January 12.

Jackie Chan circles Karate Kid remake

Jackie Chan soon could be mentoring a karate kid.

The action hero is in negotiations to star in Columbia's remake of "The Karate Kid." He would take on the role of mentor Mr. Miyagi, made famous by Pat Morita in the original franchise.

Jaden Smith, son of actor Will Smith, would play Miyagi's young protégé, a role originally played by Ralph Macchio. The studio also has signed Harald Zwart (Agent Cody Banks) to direct the picture, which possibly will begin shooting this year in Beijing.

Like the original, the movie will examine the relationship between a martial arts expert and a boy who is picked on by bullies.

Will Smith's Overbrook Entertainment is producing along with the original film's producer Jerry Weintraub. The setting will be relocated from the United States to China.

Chan, who next appears in the action-



Jackie Chan

comedy "The Spy Next Door," has massive appeal overseas, which undoubtedly appealed to Columbia. His "Rush Hour" franchise with Chris Tucker has earned about \$750 million worldwide.

Source: Reuters



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
- 09:30 Musical Programme
- 10:05 Open University
- 10:30 Musical Programme
- 11:20 Desher Gaan
- 12:10 Documentary Programme
- 12:30 Maa O Shishur Katha
- 01:00 Methoshur
- 01:30 Shukhi Poribaar
- 02:40 Binimaan
- 03:05 Cartoon
- 03:30 Musical Programme: Esho Gaan Shikhi
- 04:05 Apon Bhumi
- 05:05 Sisimpur
- 05:30 Probash Sheba
- 06:15 Dhormo O Jibon
- 07:30 Rupali Pordaar Shonali Din
- 08:25 BTv Classic: Selected Programmes from the archives
- 08:45 Drama: Opor Bela
- 10:30 Movie of The Week

ATN BANGLA

- 08:15 Aiker Shanbadpotro
- 08:30 Drama Serial: Jyotsna Kaal
- 09:15 Drama Serial: Shat Shomudrur
- 10:30 Hello Bangladesh
- 11:05 Asian City Top Spin
- 12:15 Musical Programme: Shurer Madhuri
- 12:50 Shodaipati
- 01:30 Cinema Cinema
- 02:30 Talk Chart
- 03:05 Islamic Programme: Shundor Jibon-er Jonjo
- 04:10 Debate Programme: BSB Cambrian Jukti Torko
- 05:10 Banijyomela Protidin
- 06:20 Shobaar Jonjo
- 06:45 Projonmo Kotha
- 08:00 Drama Serial
- 08:40 Drama Serial: Nupur
- 09:20 Drama Serial: Tomaar Doyaye Bhalo Achhi Ma
- 11:30 Daily Soap: Doll's House
- 12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

CHANNEL i

- 08:05 Tagore Song
- 08:30 Shokaal-er Gaan
- 09:30 Shangbadpotrey Bangladesh
- 09:45 Public Reaction
- 09:50 Talk Show: Grameenphone Tritomatra
- 11:05 Talk Show: Bailthak
- 11:30 Medha Bikash
- 02:30 Musical Programme: Hridoyer Gaan
- 03:05 Hridoye Mati O Manush-er Daak
- 04:05 Shilpo O Sangskriti
- 05:30 Musical Programme: Ekugchhu Rabintra Nath Aamar Chhobi
- 06:00 Children's Programme: Mattu

- 03:15 Dehaghari
- 04:02 Drama Serial: Tomtom
- 04:30 Deshjurey
- 05:30 Sports Plus
- 05:45 Ekush-er Shondha
- 06:30 Fashion Trendz
- 07:45 Dhum Ta Na
- 10:50 Financial Bulletin
- 12:10 Ekusher Raat

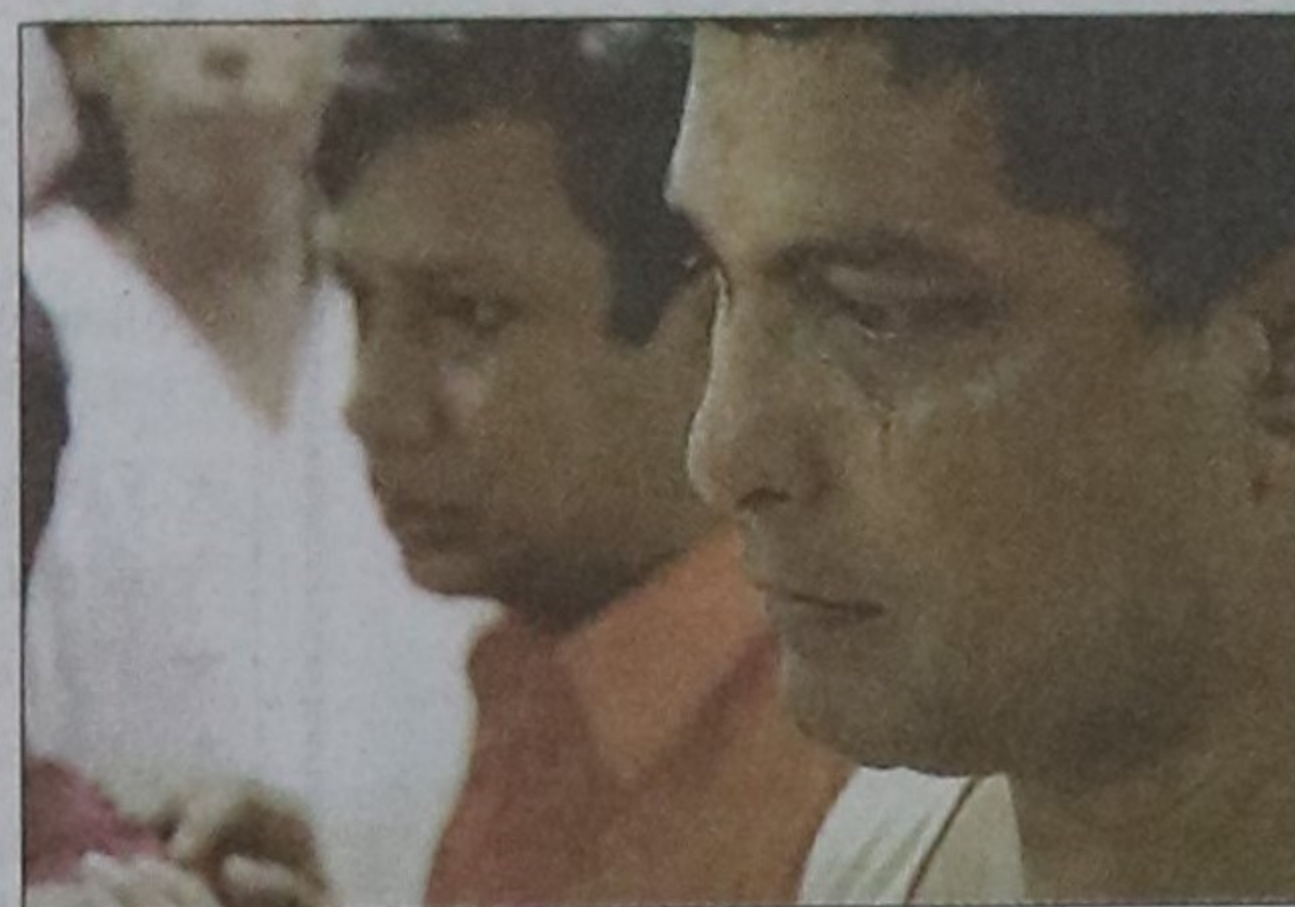
BANGLAVISION

- 08:00 Shubho Shokaal
- 08:30 Cinebit Shadakalo
- 09:00 Amader Ranna Ghar
- 09:30 Agricultural Programme: Shamol Bangla
- 10:10 Ebong Classer Bairy
- 10:40 Telepress Business
- 11:03 Media Huban

- 12:10 Shangbad Protidin
- #### CHANNEL 1
- 08:40 Shuprobhaat Bangladesh
 - 10:40 Bangla Feature Film
 - 02:00 Gaaner Kotha Kothar Gaan
 - 03:30 Drama: Dosh Hajar Eak Taka
 - 04:00 Hirak Bari Shonar Churi
 - 04:30 Music Wagon
 - 05:15 Gollachhut
 - 06:00 Saajbela
 - 07:00 Shuktara
 - 08:15 Drama: Dosh Hajar Eak Taka
 - 09:00 Jyotimoy Prithibi
 - 11:00 Alpo Shalpo Galpo
- #### Diganta Television
- 08:05 Eye Witness
 - 08:30 Shonar Tori

- 10:30 La Femme Nikita
 - 11:30 October Road
 - 12:30 Jimmy Kimmel Live
 - 01:30 Shark
 - 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 Brother & Sisters
 - 11:30 American Idol
- #### STAR MOVIES
- 10:50 Next

- 10:30 Casanova
 - 12:15 Creative Vision
 - 12:30 Jekyll & Hyde
 - 02:30 Mahabharata
 - 03:30 Casanova
 - 04:30 Lords of the Mafia
 - 05:30 Tour of Duty
 - 06:30 Rise and Rise of David Beckham
 - 07:30 Bhanwar
 - 08:30 Casanova
 - 09:30 Legends of Wimbledon
 - 10:30 Century of Flight
 - 12:00 Bhanwar
- #### NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC CHANNEL
- 08:30 Built For The Kill
 - 10:00 Monkey Thieves
 - 11:00 Creative Vision- NGC
 - 11:30 Animals Behaving Badly
 - 12:30 Inside: Sumo's Ultimate Clash
 - 01:30 Big Cat Challenge
 - 02:30 Hollywood Science
 - 03:30 Dragon Chronicles
 - 04:30 Dangerous Encounters
 - 06:00 Big Bang
 - 06:30 Inside: Speed Week
 - 07:30 Built For The Kill
 - 08:30 Living With Big Cats
 - 10:30 Mega Thursday
 - 11:30 NG's Amazing Moments
- #### HBO
- 08:30 Buying The Cow
 - 10:15 Leap Of Faith
 - 12:30 The American President
 - 02:45 The Making Of Lady In The Water
 - 03:15 Lady In The Water
 - 05:30 Hollywood One On One 22
 - 06:00 The Brothers Solomon
 - 07:45 I'll Always Know What You Did Last Summer
 - 09:30 The Kingdom
 - 11:45 Ladies Night
- #### ZEE STUDIO
- 08:30 Heroes in Hell
 - 10:15 The World's Fastest Indian
 - 12:50 Asterix and Obelix vs Caesar
 - 03:20 Bruce Almighty
 - 05:30 Hollywood's 10 Best
 - 06:00 Don't Move
 - 08:45 Outrageous Fortune
 - 11:00 Secret Window



Tomar Dowaye Bhalo Achhi Ma
 On ATN Bangla at 9:20 pm
 Drama Serial
 Cast: Intikhab Dinar, Shams Shumon

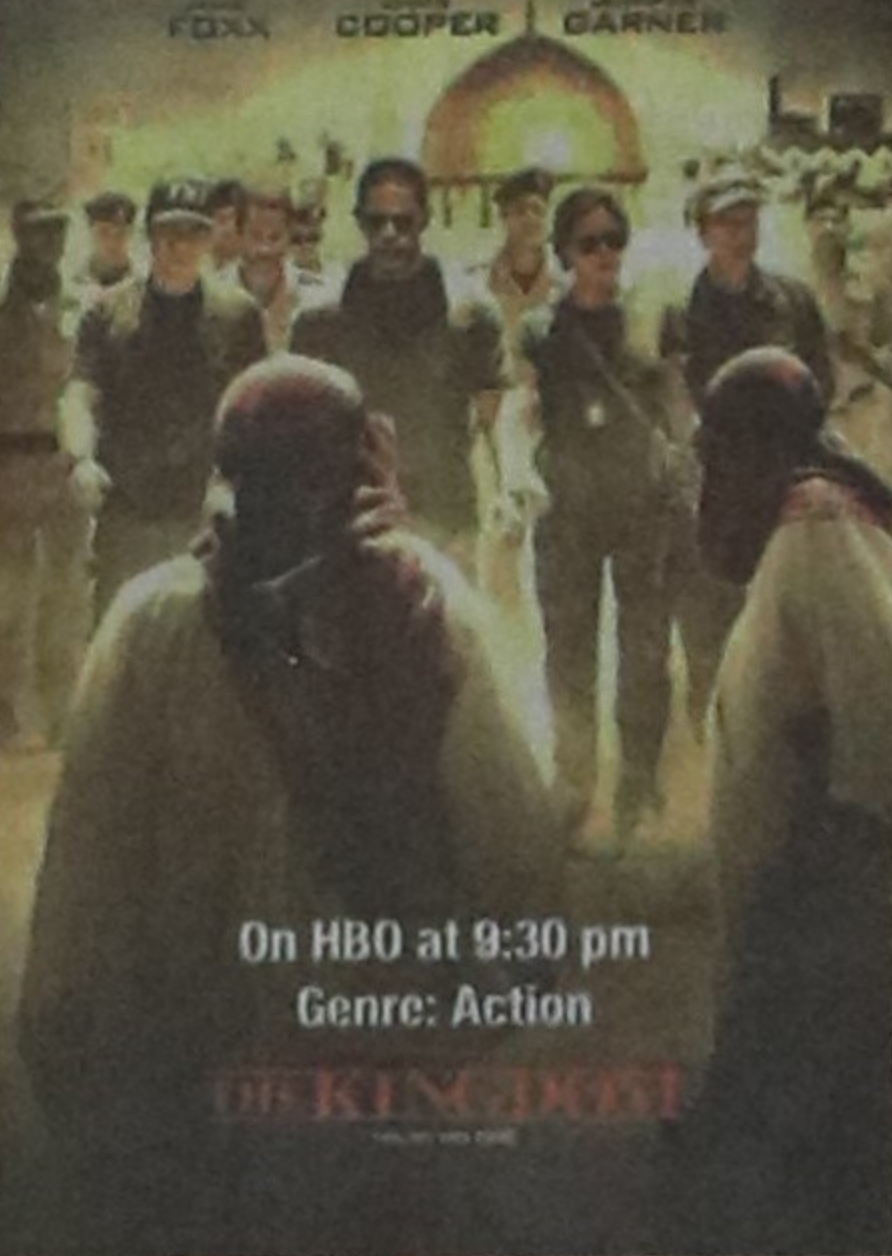
- 07:50 O Bondhura
- 09:35 Drama Serial: Khujey Phiri
- 10:00 Drama Serial: Doinik Tolpaar
- 11:30 Travel Show: RC Travel On
- 12:00 First Minister
- 12:00 Grameenphone Aiker Shangbadpotro

ETV

- 08:30 Ekusher Shokaal
- 09:30 Drama Serial: Tomtom
- 10:30 Ekush-er Business
- 11:30 Ekush-er Business
- 02:30 Drama Serial: Akey Shunya Dash

- 11:35 Nana Ranger Dinguli
- 12:30 Home Care
- 02:30 Ghorey Bairy
- 03:03 Drama Serial: Swapnochura
- 04:20 Top Story
- 05:15 Drama Serial: Gulshan Avenue
- 05:45 Citycell Din-er Sheshey
- 06:20 Special Programme: Abhibashir Ghamer Taka
- 06:50 Shap Ludur Khela
- 08:15 Drama Serial: Shomudro Jol
- 09:05 X-Crime
- 09:45 Daily Soap: Gulshan Avenue
- 11:15 Dance Programme

- 09:00 Mukhorito Jiboney
 - 12:00 Darun Dupurey
 - 03:00 Duranto Bikaley
 - 05:00 Shondha Tara
 - 07:00 Seajer Maya
 - 09:00 Raat-er Akashay
 - 11:00 Golper Sheshnai
- #### Radio Forti 88.0 FM
- 10:00 Music Junction
 - 01:00 No Tension
 - 04:00 Dhaka Calling
 - 09:00 Full Volume
 - 11:00 Somoy Aamoy (SOS)
- #### Radio Today 89.6 FM
- 11:00 Masti Unlimited
 - 01:00 Today's Adda
 - 04:00 U-turn
 - 08:00 Tobe Tai Hok



On HBO at 9:30 pm
 Genre: Action
"KUNG FU HUSTLE"

- 12:30 Desperate Measures
 - 02:15 Borat Cultural Learnings Of America
 - 03:35 A Prairie Home Companion
 - 05:25 Bridge To Terabithia
 - 07:00 Dúde, Where's My Car?
 - 08:25 Halloween
 - 10:15 Ronin
 - 12:15 Zombies
- #### FOX HISTORY & ENTERTAINMENT CHANNEL
- 08:30 Lords of the Mafia
 - 10:15 Creative Vision