

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

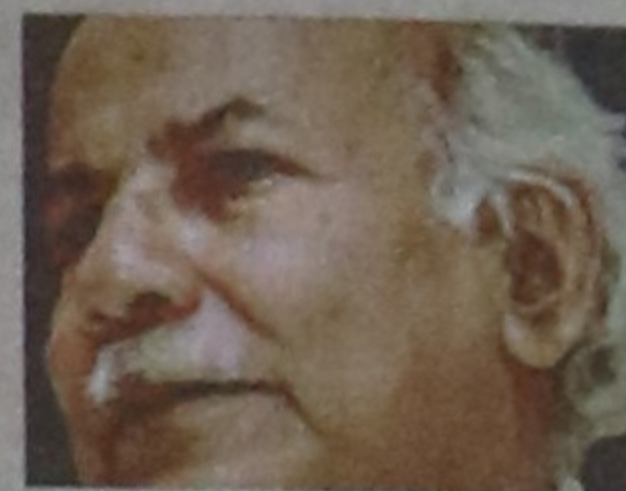
**Mimodrama**  
Play: Jadur Pradip  
Troupe: Swapnadal  
Venue: National Theatre Hall, BSA  
Date: February 4  
Time: 7pm



**Streetwise Art Exhibition**  
Venue: Bay's Galleria, 57, Gulshan Avenue  
Date: December 2008-February 2009  
Time: 11am-6pm



**Waheedul Haque Memorial Programme**  
Organiser: Chhayanat  
Venue: Bakultala, Faculty of Fine Arts, DU  
Date: February 5-6  
Time: 5pm onwards



**Anniversary Programme**  
Organiser: Ustad Momtaz Ali Khan Sangeet Academy  
Venue: Poet Sufia Kamal Auditorium, National Museum, Shaheb Bag  
Date: February 1  
Time: 5pm



## Chobi Mela V: Photography comes of age in Bangladesh

Asia's largest International Photography Exhibition kicks off

NADIA SARWAT

The inaugural ceremony of the international photography exhibition, Chobi Mela V, attracted a huge turnout.

"I am immensely pleased to witness such an enthusiastic response. It's been a long and hard struggle to get people interested in photography in our country. Today's crowd indicates how far we've come," said the festival director Shahidul Alam.

The guest of honour at the event, Magsaysay Award winning writer and activist Mahasweta Devi was also full of praise for the festival, which she described as a magnificent event. Emphasising the role of cultural activists in bringing about a transformation of society, she said, "We live in an age when people are uniting, protesting all over the world against injustice and are in search of freedom. This freedom does not solely embrace the political sphere but also a more significant facet-- cultural freedom." Later, Mahasweta Devi also inaugurated the exhibition titled "A long walk to freedom" a photography exhibition on the life of Nelson Mandela at the National Museum. "Freedom" is the theme of this year's festival.

Among the guest speakers were Marcelo Brodsky, from Argentina; Yasmine Eid-Sabbagh from Lebanon; Andrew Eisebo from Nigeria; David Campbell from Australia and Kunda Dixit from Nepal. The speakers shared their experiences and world views on photography as a universal language to bring about positive changes in the world.

This year's Life Time Achievement Award was given to the Doyen



Speakers share their experience on photography as a universal language at the event.



Jubilant photographers at the rally celebrating the festival.

of Mozambique photography, Ricardo Rangel (b.1924). Rangel's work testifies to his great identification with the people of Mozambique. On behalf of the seasoned photographer, Andrew Eisebo received the award from the guest of honour. However, in a recorded telephonic message that was played at the event, Rangel expressed his gratitude for the honour that was

bestowed on him.

Prior to the inaugural ceremony, a vibrant rally was brought out from the National Museum premises with a large number of young and veteran photographers. There was also a significant assemblage of visitors from all over the world. Another attraction of the evening was a live videoconference with the great American linguist, philosopher and activist

Noam Chomsky, held at the Goethe Institute auditorium following the inauguration.

Asia's largest photography exhibition, Chobi Mela V includes 62 print exhibitions from 33 countries, held at 11 venues in the city till January 20, featuring works of renowned artists from all over the world. Digital exhibitions, lectures, discussions, films and multimedia presentations are also being held from January 31 to February 5 at the Goethe Institute.

The key organisers of the event are Drik Picture Library Ltd and Pathshala, the South Asian Institute of Photography. The patron of Chobi Mela V is Sticking Doen. The Royal Norwegian Embassy, Goethe Institute, British Council, Alliance Francaise de Dacca, Canon, Prince Claus Fund are the partners. The media partners include The Daily Star, Prothom Alo, BDnews24.com, Ice Today, abc Radio, Channel i and Ujala TV. Venues are provided by Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts.

## Jasimuddin remembered in musical soiree

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

To pay homage to Jasimuddin, Chhayanat organised a musical soiree featuring the songs and poetry of the "Polli Kabi." The memorable event was held at Chhayanat Shangkriti Bhaban auditorium on January 30.

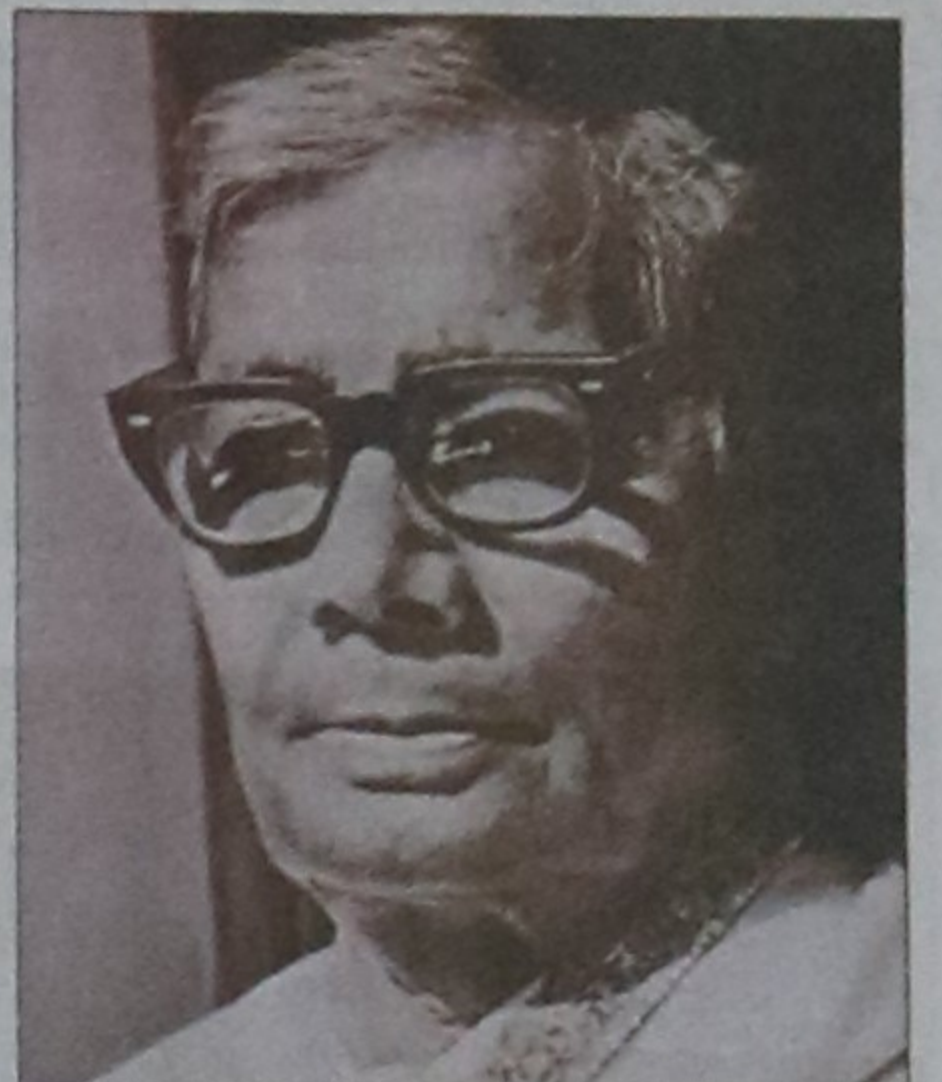
The event began with a short discussion. Among the speakers were Dr. Sanjida Khatun, president, Chhayanat; Khairul Anam Shakil, general secretary Chhayanat and Jamal Anwar Basu.

The musical programme opened with a group performance of the song "Ki mojar ghar bedhechhey", and "Babu selam barey barey", by members of Chhayanat.

The evenings programme featured solo and group performances, dances and recitation by teachers and students of Chhayanat.

Sardar Rahamatullah Khan sang "Ami jarey chherey elam", Tapon Majumder performed "Monomajhey kaar jeno daak shuna jay", Biman Chandra Biswas sang "Bondhurey tor kachhey amar", Shopna Roy performed "Muina Shona", Narayan Chandra Shil sang "Nosto korlam notun phooler kolirey".

Among the others, renowned singers



Nadira Begum, Chondona Majumder, Bipul Bhatyacharji and Mahmuda Akhter performed.

A group dance performance by young children to the accompaniment of the popular song "Nao chharia dey paal uraiya dey," also featured in the programme.

The event ended with the rendition of the National Anthem.

## Waheedul Haque remembered in Barisal

RAFIQUL ISLAM, Barisal

Speakers at a discussion on January 29 paid rich tributes to renowned columnist, and Tagore exponent Waheedul Haque for his outstanding contribution in both spheres.

With his mighty pen, Haque waged a war against rampant repression and injustice. Right up to his death, said the speakers, he sought to establish a society where the democratic rights of people would be preserved. We must remember our roots, for in its absence the nation cannot progress, they added.

The discussion was organised on the 2nd death anniversary of Waheedul Haque at the

Barisal NGO Development Network (BNDN) auditorium in Barisal.

The Barisal Unit of Rabindra Sangeet Sammilon Parishad (RSSP) organised the ceremony which was attended by intellectuals, teachers, literati and journalists.

The event was presided over by Nazrul Islam Chhunu, president of the Barisal unit of RSSP.

Among others who spoke on the occasion were freedom fighter Akkash Hossain, Professor. Mohammad Hanif and poet Dipanker Chakarobari.

Artistes of the organisation performed a chorus followed by solo performances by Munni Akhter, and others.



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

## On Air

### BTV

- 09:05 Selected Programme
- 09:30 Shashoto Shur
- 10:05 Open University
- 10:30 Gaaner Jhomalolaye
- 10:55 Lok Lokalay
- 11:20 Gaanguli Mor
- 12:10 Drama: Shesh Bikeler Paakhi
- 01:00 Jib O Jibon
- 01:30 Shobaar Jonyo Shikhya
- 02:15 Educational Programme
- 02:40 Cookery Show: Amader Ranna
- 03:05 Cartoon
- 03:30 Educational Programme: Maa O Shishur Katha
- 04:05 Shilpo Prangaan
- 04:30 Musical Programme: Shur Lahori
- 05:05 Debate
- 06:15 Malanchyo
- 06:40 Ekush Amar Ohonkaar
- 07:00 Mati O Manush
- 07:25 Chena Jana
- 08:35 Drama Serial: Shesh Shomudro
- 09:00 Drama: Baul
- 10:30 Musical Programme: Haazar Taarer Bina
- 11:00 Din Bodoler Alokhyey

### CHANNEL-i

- 09:30 Shanbadpotrey Bangladesh
- 09:45 Public Reaction
- 09:50 Grameenphone Triba Matra
- 11:05 Tele Prescription
- 11:30 Hridoye Mati O Manush
- 12:30 Talk Show: Citycell Taroka
- Kathun
- 01:05 Musical Programme: Ebong Cinemar Gaan
- 01:30 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma
- 02:30 Hridoyer Gaan
- 03:05 Musical Programme: Meridian Channel i Khudhey Gaan

### ATN BANGLA

- 08:30 Drama Serial: Naksha
- 09:15 Vision 2020
- 10:30 Hello Bangladesh
- 11:05 Amar Ekushey Boimela Protidin
- 12:15 Cookery Show: Dekko Gura Moshla ATN Ranna Ghar
- 01:25 Khelar Jogot
- 02:00 Shushtho Thakun
- 03:15 Tele-film
- 05:00 Gram Gonjer Khobor
- 05:10 Kaaler Jatrar Dhoni
- 05:40 Musical Programme: Bashudha Dhak Dhol
- 06:15 Ashley Pasher Manush
- 06:45 Projomkatha
- 08:00 Drama Serial: Shoa Paanch Arai Lane
- 08:40 Drama Serial: Syed Babr Bou
- 09:20 Drama Serial: Bharabari

- Barabari
- 11:30 Daily Soap: Doll's House
- 12:00 Grameenphone Lead News
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- 12:10 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy
- 01:05 Japan Video Topic
- 02:30 Drama Serial: Chena Chena Lagay
- 03:15 Drama: Khokoner Cycle
- 04:10 Ispahani Janar Achhey Bolar Achhey
- 05:25 Ithasher Ei Din-ey
- 05:35 Apnaar Jigyasha
- 06:45 Joto Modhur Bhulguli
- 07:15 Nokia Take Four
- 08:15 Drama Serial: Aim in Life
- 09:30 Super Hero Super Heroine
- 11:35 Special Programme on Ekushey Book Fair: Boiboshonto

### BANGLAVISION

- 08:30 Ebong Classer Bailey

- 12:10 Shangbad Protidin
- Rtv**
- 09:00 Jegey Achho Ki
- 10:03 Drama Serial: Apon Ghorey Porobash
- 11:03 Taroka Alap
- 11:30 Band Show
- 01:03 Stock Exchange
- 02:03 Bangla Feature Film
- 05:30 Cinema R Gaan
- 06:03 Protidin
- 07:00 Cookery Show: R Ranna
- 07:30 Road To Democracy
- 09:00 Drama Serial: Meyeti
- Ekhon Kothaye Jabey
- 10:00 Drama Serial: Priodorshini
- 11:30 Tele Press Biz Event

### STAR WORLD

- 08:30 Kyle Xy
- 09:30 Koffee With Karan
- 11:30 Friends
- 03:30 The Simpsons
- 04:30 Shark
- 05:30 Boston Legal
- 06:30 Kyle Xy
- 07:30 90210
- 08:30 Monk
- 09:30 Brother & Sisters
- 10:30 Boston Legal
- 11:30 Psych

### ESPN

- 08:30 US Open ISKA World Martial Arts
- 09:30 US Open ISKA World Martial

- Cup 3 Match: India vs. Holland
- 06:00 Remember The Titans 1
- 06:25 Sportscenter Weekend 2009 Super Sunday
- 07:25 Barclays Premier League 2008/9 Match: Newcastle United vs. Sunderland Super Sunday
- 09:30 Barclays Premier League 2008/9 Match: Liverpool vs. Chelsea
- 12:00 Final Score
- 12:30 Winter X Games 13

### STAR SPORTS

- 09:00 Maxis Football Extra 2008/09 Australian Open Tennis 2009 Presented By KIA In Association With Garnier & Co
- 10:30 TNA Impact 08/09 22 Game
- 08:00 Game
- 08:30 Hitz 0809 40
- 09:00 Behind The Baseline
- 09:30 TNA Badshah 08/09 - Eric Young
- 11:30 Australian Open Tennis 2009 Presented By KIA In Association With Garnier & Co Money
- 12:30 Australian Open 2009 Presented By KIA In Association With Garnier & Co Money

### STAR MOVIES

- 11:10 Enchanted
- 01:00 Vip Access: Vip Ticket To 2009
- 01:30 Quiz Show
- 03:50 Species: The Awakening
- 05:25 Fantastic Four: Rise Of The Silver Surfer
- 07:00 National Treasure: Book Of Secrets
- 08:55 The Count Of Monte Cristo
- 11:05 Dangerous Minds
- 12:50 Showdown At Area 51

### NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC CHANNEL

- 10:00 Food Lovers Guide To The Planet
- 11:00 Monkey Thieves
- 11:30 Show Real Asia
- 12:30 Aryan Brotherhood
- 01:30 Dangerous Encounters
- 02:30 Super Pride
- 03:30 Hunter Hunted
- 04:30 AIDS JaaGo
- 05:30 Naked Science
- 07:30 Martian Robots
- 08:30 Evolutions
- 12:00 Monkey Thieves



Shoa Paanch Arai Lane On ATN Bangla at 8:00 pm Drama Serial Cast: Jenny, Tania

- 04:30 Boimela
- 05:30 Ek Guchho Rabindra Saangeet
- 06:00 Rupantor
- 06:20 Superman
- 07:50 Mega Serial: Sakin Sharishuri
- 09:35 Banglalink Banglar Pathay
- 10:00 Drama Serial: Shongshar
- 11:30 First Minister
- 12:00 Grameenphone Aker Shangbadpotro
- 09:00 Drama Serial: Shomudro Jaal
- 09:30 Bangla Feature Film
- 12:30 Raat Biraatey
- 01:30 Media Bhuban
- 02:30 Bikel Belaye Boimela
- 02:40 Drama Serial: Bijli Moholla
- 03:25 Nodi O Jibon
- 04:10 Prolidiner Boimela
- 05:20 Law Chamber
- 06:00 Citycell Din-er Sheshey
- 08:15 Drama Serial: Lucky Thirteen
- 09:05 Visa Apnaar Agami
- 09:45 Drama Serial: Swapno Chura

### DIGANTO TELEVISION

- 08:05 Rang Rup
- 08:30 Amar Desh
- 11:30 Sholor Path
- 03:05 Drama Serial: Jaalshaz
- 04:30 School Angina
- 05:30 Eye Witness
- 06:30 Shahitya Diganto
- 07:00 News Hour
- 08:05 Roots
- 08:30 Tone and Tune
- 09:25 Science Dot Com
- 11:05 Diganto Shanglaap

### Arts

- 10:30 Final Score
- 11:00 Punjab Gold Cup - 4 Nations Cup 1 Match: India vs. New Zealand
- 12:30 Euro Beach Soccer League Lignano Match: Switzerland vs. Italy
- 02:00 Sportscenter Week In Review 2009
- 02:30 Punjab Gold Cup - 4 Nations Cup 2 Match: Holland vs. Germany
- 04:00 Punjab Gold Cup - 4 Nations