

WHAT'S  
ON THIS  
WEEK

**Mimodrama**  
Play: Jadur Pradip  
Troupe: Swapnadip  
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: Bakuitala,  
Faculty of Fine Arts,  
DU  
Date: February 5-6  
Time: 5pm onwards



**Street Theatre  
Festival 2009**  
Organiser: Bangladesh  
Group Theatre Federation  
Venue: Central Shaheed  
Minar premises  
Date: February 1-7  
Time: 4 pm onwards

Ustad Momtaz Ali Khan Sangeet  
Academy turns six

Moloy Kumar Ganguli (R) receives the award from Syed Hassan Imam.

MAINUL HASSAN

On February 1, Ustad Momtaz Ali Khan Sangeet Academy celebrated its sixth anniversary with a lively programme at Sofia Kamal Auditorium, National Museum.

Named after the legendary folk singer Momtaz Ali Khan, the academy was founded on January 31, 2003 in an effort to preserve the works of the late artist and to promote folk songs on the whole.

"Ustad Momtaz Ali Khan was a singer, a lyricist and a collector of folk songs. His contribution to our folk music genre is immense and incomparable," said Golam Kuddus, general secretary of Sammilito Sanskritik Jote, at the programme.

"He was an avid patriot. In 1971 he actively took part in

the war. He used to go from camp to camp and sing patriotic songs to freedom fighters to boost their morale. It is regrettable that after his death no initiative has been taken to preserve his works. Even worse, many are trying to pass off his creations as their own," Kuddus added.

Golam Kuddus was the special guest at the programme. Since its inception in 2003, the academy has been conferring the Ustad Momtaz Ali Khan Padak every year to individuals for their contribution to folklore and music.

This year's awardees are Ashrafuzzaman Khan (posthumous) and veteran folk artist Moloy Kumar Ganguli. Novelist, playwright and freelance journalist Ashrafuzzaman died on December 19, 2008.

Singer Abdul Halim Khan received the award on behalf

of Ashrafuzzaman. The awards were handed by cultural personality Syed Hassan Imam who was present as the chief guest.

Speaking on Momtaz Ali Khan, Imam said, "Momtaz Ali Khan wrote many songs and tuned more, enriching our opulent folk music further. He also contributed in grooming and training many renowned singers including Abdul Alim."

Reminiscing on the late Ashrafuzzaman, Imam said, "He was always on the lookout for talented upcoming artists. One day he saw our theatre performance and invited us to the radio office. He took a short interview and introduced us to the audience. In his lifetime he provided many artists with much needed exposure."

Golam Kuddus said, "Ashrafuzzaman was the Regional Director of Pakistan

Radio in 1971. Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman's historic speech on March 7, 1971 was supposed to be aired live but was stopped at the last moment by the Pakistani junta. In protest, Ashrafuzzaman halted the radio service and the government was forced to negotiate with him. The recorded version of Bangabandhu's speech was aired the next day on March 8."

Speaking of Momtaz Ali Khan, award recipient and artiste of Swadhin Bangla Betar Kendra, Moloy Kumar Ganguli said, "Ustad Momtaz Ali Khan made significant contribution to my making as a singer. During my first recording in 1965 at 'His Master's Voice,' he became my guarantor, signing with the company."

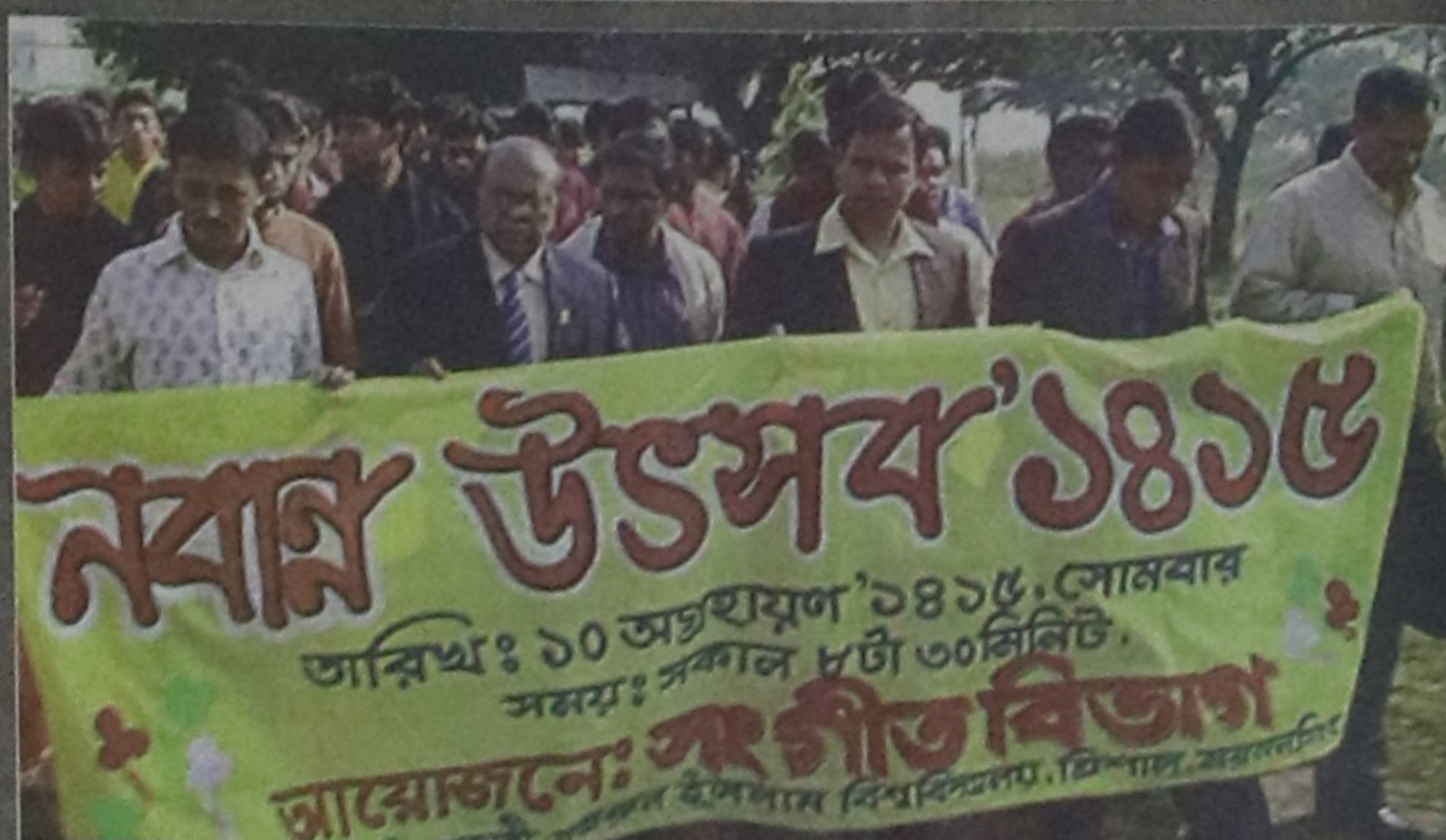
Among others, Rupu Khan, daughter of Momtaz Ali Khan and executive director of Ustad Momtaz Ali Khan Sangeet Academy, spoke at the event.

The cultural programme opened with a group performance by the students of the academy. They sang "Kothaye achhey diddori sha(n)i," a Lalon composition which was later set to tune by Momtaz Ali Khan and "Munshi path dekhaiya 'dao'" written by composed by Khan.

Next, members of Bonhishikha performed a Lalon song "Tora dekhbi jodi aye," set to tune by Khan and "Bangladesher mati," written and composed by Khan.

Rupu Khan, Sohana Ahmed, Ariful Haque, Abdul Halim Khan, Orthi Rahman and others gave solo performances at the programme.

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**Students of  
Department of  
Music, Kazi  
Nazrul Islam  
University,  
Trishal,  
Mymensingh  
brought out a  
procession on the  
university  
campus recently  
to celebrate  
'Nabanna Utsab'.**

35th anniversary of  
Tiny Tots School

Children perform at the programme.

On February 2, Tiny Tots School celebrated its 35th Anniversary on the school campus in Mohammadpur amidst much fanfare, according to a press release. The school took on a festive hue, as it was decorated with wall paintings by children.

Among several events were dress-as-you-like, a cultural programme, plays and celebrations with clowns. As part of its anniversary celebration the school authority will organise another programme on February 6 at its Dhanmondi campus.



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Child artistes dance at a cultural programme held at the National Theatre Hall, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy on February 1. The programme was organised by Gram Banglar Theatre to celebrate the organisation's 9th anniversary.



## 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, 12:00pm, 1:00pm, 11:00pm, 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.

## 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.

## abc radio

News: 08:00 am, 12:00 pm, 03:00 pm, 06:00 pm, 09:00 pm, 12:00 am.

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

## On Air

## ATN BANGLA

08:15 Ajker Shanbadpoto  
08:30 Showa Paanch Arai Lane  
09:15 Vision 2020  
10:30 Hello Bangladesh  
11:05 Selected Programme  
12:15 Shomali Shadakalo  
12:25 ATN Music  
02:30 Selected Programme  
03:15 Drama Serial: O Amar Chokkhu Nai

03:45 Children's Programme: Aha Ki Anondo

04:20 Shomali Din

05:10 Onony

05:35 Documentary Programme: Climate Change

06:20 Talk Show: Kathamala

06:50 Projomno Katha

08:00 Drama Serial: Baksho

08:40 Drama Serial: Shath Shomuddur

09:20 Drama Serial: Joyotsnakaal

11:30 Drama Serial: Choto Choto Koshto

12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

## CHANNEL 1

09:45 Public Reaction

09:50 Grameenphone Trilio Matra

11:05 BBC Bangladesh Shangleap

12:30 Talk Show: Citycell Taroka Katha

01:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan

01:30 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma

02:30 Hridoyer Gaan

03:05 iSports

03:30 Boi Ebong Boi

04:05 Saangeetmala

04:30 Boimela Protidin

05:30 Shoamoeki

06:00 Talk Show: Khola Akash

06:30 Business Show

07:50 Musical Programme: Meridian

Channel i Khuday Gaan

Raj/08

09:35 Shongshar

10:00 Western Union Probashi

11:30 First Minister

12:00 Grameenphone Ajker

Shangbadpoto

ETV

08:30 Ekush-er Shokal

09:35 Drama Serial: Ghatak Ebong Amra

10:30 Ekush-er Business

02:30 Drama Serial: Tun Tuni Vila

03:30 Tomi Manir Recipe

04:00 Drama Serial: Ghatak Ebong Amra

04:30 Shomali Shadakalo

05:30 Sports Plus

07:45 O Bondhu Amar

08:30 Drama Serial: Akey Shunyo Dash

09:30 Drama Serial: Tomtom

10:50 Financial Bulletin

## ntv

08:30 Ajker Shokaal

08:55 Drama Serial: Alm in Life

10:05 Kichu Katha Kichu Gaan

10:30 Music Jam

11:35 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy

## CHANNEL 1

10:30 Bangla Feature Film

02:00 Boi Niye

03:30 Drama

04:00 Nongor

04:30 Stop and Rock

06:00 Boi Niye

06:35 Top News

07:00 Rang Beron-er Khobor

08:15 Drama: Moyur Bahon

09:00 Drama: Hiraak Bari Shonaar Churi

09:30 Bioscope

11:30 Selected Programme

BANGLAVISION

08:00 Shubho Shokaal

08:30 Drama Serial: Onyorkhyo

09:00 Drama Serial: Swapnochura

11:03 Taroka Alap

11:30 Drama Serial: Meyeti Ekhon

Kothaye Jabey

01:03 Stock Exchange

02:03 Bangla Feature Film

05:30 Japito Jibon

06:03 Protidin

07:00 Nari O Nokhyoto

07:30 Road to Democracy

09:00 Drama Serial: Ei Bari Oi Bari

10:00 Drama Serial: Mohon Pur-er Golpo

DIGANTO TELEVISION

11:30 Chena Ochena

12:30 Oporajita

03:00 Paathshala

04:30 Selected Programme

05:30 Eye Witness

06:30 Shorol Path

09:30 The Perfect Stride

12:00 Flags Of Our Fathers

STAR MOVIES

12:15 Return To Me

02:10 Finding Rin Tin Tin

03:45 Sleuth

05:15 School For Scoundrels

08:45 Lake Placid 2

10:10 Species: The Awakening

11:45 Haunted

STAR WORLD

11:30 October Road

12:30 The Moment Of Truth

01:30 Monk

02:30 The Ellen Degeneres

03:30 Murder She Wrote

04:30 Ghost Whisperer

05:30 La Femme Nikita

06:30 October Road

FOX HISTORY & ENTERTAINMENT CHANNEL

10:30 Jumbo Movie

11:30 Creative Vision

12:30 Tea

01:30 Extreme Aircraft II

02:30 Mahabharata

03:30 The Greats

04:30 Mini Cooper

05:30 Modern Marvels

06:30 Bhanwar

07:30 1988 Iroc - Z Camaro

08:30 Most Shocking

09:30 International Terrorism

10:30 Tour of Duty

11:30 Bhanwar

BBC WORLD NEWS

10:00 BBC World News

10:30 HARDtalk

11:00 BBC World News

11:30 World Business Report

12:00 BBC World News

12:30 World Business Report

01:00 BBC World News

01:30 World Business Report

02:00 BBC World News

02:30 World Business Report

02:45 Sport Today

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04:00 BBC World News

05:00 BBC World News

05:30 World Business Report

05:45 Sport Today

06:00 World News Today

07:00 World News Today

08:00 BBC World News

08:30 HARDtalk (r)

09:00 BBC World News

09:30 Earth Report (r)

10:00 World News Today

11:00 BBC World News

11:30 World Business Report

ZEE STUDIO

10:30 The Hand That Rocks The Cradle

12:50 Mr. Bones

03:00 Cold Creek Manor

05:30 Three Men and a Little Lady

07:50 Cinderella Man

11:00 Dark Water