

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Streetwise Art Exhibition

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



Theatre

Play: Kinu Kaharer
Theater
Troupe: Prachyanat
Venue: Zia Hall, Chashara, Narayanganj
Date: February 14
Time: 6:30pm



Book Launch

On 200th birth anniversary of Louis Braille
Books: 'Chharar Taley Mota Doley' and 'Chharar Maia'
Organiser: Prerana and Child Sight Foundation
Venue: National Music and Dance Centre, BSA, February 15 at 4:25pm



Musical Soiree

Title: Bhalobashar Gaan
Organiser: Rabi Raag
Venue: Natmanadal, Dhaka University
Date: February 14
Time: 6:30 pm



Anti-Valentine Playlist '09

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Apparently my 'Anti-Valentine' playlist published (on Valentine's Day) last year generated interested among some singles. If you're an SOVD (single on Valentine's Day) this year, indulge yourself and mope around all day (ladies suggest generous helpings of chocolate, not sure why. Personally, I like a good ol' fashioned slasher/horror flick fest with other single friends). The ditties from this year's playlist address (almost) all cases imaginable related to being single -- dejected, jilted, obsessively persuading, peacefully ruminating, acerbic ranting and celebrating solitude. These songs might not necessarily uplift your mood but they're helluva great songs. Without further ado, let's get down to business. But first, a disclaimer: This is not a battle cry, nor a call to initiate a singles' movement.

"I'll Be Watching You": Sting (featuring The Police)

"Oh, can't you see, you belong to me, now my poor heart aches, with every step you take..." Think it's an ode to undying affections? Check out the following lines, "Every move you make, every vow you break, every smile you fake, every claim you stake, I'll be watching you..." Stalkerish? You betcha! Sinister, hell yeah!

"Not As We": Alanis Morissette

Sure it's cruel and unethical to celebrate an individual's -- even if (s)he is a public figure -- personal tragedies, but admit it, no one liked the happy, chirpy, India-thanking, nirvana-seeking Alanis. Fortunately, alt-rock's angriest girl is back in business and she's in top form, thanks to a painful split from her fiancé. "Flavors of Entanglement" (her seventh studio

album) glows with remarkable resentment, poeticising the agonising first steps after a break-up. Sample: "Day one, day one, start over again, step one, step one, I'm barely making sense, for now I'm faking it, 'til I'm pseudo-making it, from scratch, begin again, but this time I as 'I,' and not as 'we...'"

"Superman": Eminem

One of my all-time favourites. Citing excerpts from this profanity-laced rap song would be tough, but here goes (feel free to fill in the blanks): "I'm single now, got no ring on this finger now, I'll never let another chick bring me down, they come they go, Saturday through Sunday Monday, Monday through Sunday yo, maybe I'll love you one day, maybe we'll someday grow, 'till then just sit your... on that... runway... 'cuz I can't be your superman..." Sure, this song appears blazingly misogynistic, but ladies if you care enough to read between the lines, beneath the veneer of machismo, lies insecurities of a guy carrying scars of failed relationships.

"Keep Breathing": Ingrid Michaelson

This goes out to the underachievers (I'm considered one), social recluses, too despondent to go on and the likes. If you disregard the agenda, it's a nice, hummable (albeit melancholy) indie-pop number. If nothing else, Ingrid's menthol vocals will calm your nerves. Sample: "Storm is coming but I don't mind, people are dying, I close my blinds, all that I know is I'm breathing now... I want to change the world, instead I sleep, I want to believe in more than you and me, but all that I know is I'm breathing...now."

"Picture": Kid Rock (featuring Sheryl Crow)

Nothing says heartache like country



and this acoustic ballad is considered a milestone in both artists' careers. With this song Crow and Kid Rock crossed over to mainstream country music, reaching out to a wider audience. What's it about? Usual country stuff: howling over lost love, accompanied with heavy drinking, inconsequential one-night stands and such. Sample: "I put your picture away, sat down and cried today, I can't look at you

while I'm lying next to her..."

"Chasing Pavements": Adele

Riding high on wave of the "New British Invasion" phenomenon (i.e. Coldplay, James Blunt, Amy Winehouse, KT Tunstall, Corinne Bailey Rae, Joss Stone, Duffy and Estelle), Adele earned the 2009 Grammy Award for Best New Artist, and this is considered her breakthrough act.

Adele has described her musical style as "heartbroken soul." "Chasing Pavements" refers to an incident that occurred at 6am one day after a fight with her ex, during which Adele was running down the street alone. She thought to herself, "What is it you're chasing? You're chasing an empty pavement." Sample: "Should I give up, or should I just keep chasing pavements? Even if it leads nowhere, or

would it be a waste? Even if I knew my place should I leave it there?"

"Raindrops Keep Fallin' on My Head": B.J. Thomas

Until I saw the film "Clerks II" and an episode of "The Simpsons" recently, I wasn't familiar with this Academy Award winning (for "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid") Burt Bacharach & Hal David song. It's a wonder how I managed to miss this song for so long, considering it's been covered by numerous artistes/bands and has been featured in several movie soundtracks (including "Forrest Gump" and "Spider-Man 2"). Anyway, the version I'm referring to was recorded by B.J. Thomas (in the early '70s). What's so great about this song? It's a celebration of life as it is. Sure, there are traces of kitsch and the hippy (blame it on the '70s) sense of being content with whatever you got -- the proverbial philosophy, 'life gives you lemons, make lemonade.' But more importantly, it's a supersized dose of unabashed optimism, about living in the moment and enjoying freedom (read singlehood). Sample: "Raindrops keep fallin' on my head, but that doesn't mean my eyes will soon be turnin' red, cryin's not for me, 'cause I'm never gonna stop the rain by complainin', because I'm free, nothin's worryin' me..."

"Shonar Moina Pakhi": Ornob

This Jasimuddin classic was recently resurrected by Ornob (featured in the "Monpura" soundtrack). Now, there's an opinion that Ornob's rendition is a tad whiny. But isn't that what this folk ballad needs? There's a lot of pleading in this song; letting go of the love of one's life is never easy. Ornob's vocals manage to carry the weight of these lines: "Jaiba jodi nithur pakhi bhashaiya mor a(n)khi; e jibon jabar kaley re ekbar jeno dekh...Amar shonar moina pakhi..." The result: cathartic.



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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-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
Latest News (Bangla) at 9:00 a.m., 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

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

BTv
09:05 Kobita O Chhobi
09:30 Smitimoy Geetimoy
10:05 Swasthio Sheba
10:30 Selected Programme
11:20 Desher Gaan
11:30 Ongona
12:10 Geelintayo
01:30 Shukhi Ponbaar
02:15 Sisimpur
02:45 Bangla Feature Film
05:35 Selected Programme
06:45 Ekush Amar Ohonkaar
07:00 Geeti Malyo
07:25 Lok Lokaloy
08:35 Drama Serial: Shomoy Oshomoy
09:00 Drama: Ek Raat Brishti
10:30 Apnaar Doctor

ATN BANGLA
08:15 Ajker Shanbadpotro
08:30 Dance Programme: Nupur-er Chhonhey
09:15 Vision 2020
10:30 Hello Bangladesh
11:15 Ekushey Boimela Protidin
12:15 Mon Poboner Ghuri
12:45 Bhalobasha Dot Com
01:30 Kingbadonti Bhalobasha
02:30 Nupur Bajey Hridoy Majhey
03:15 Nishidhyo Konya
05:20 Selected Programme
06:20 Brindaboney Bhalobasha
06:45 Projonmo Katha
08:00 Haraye Khujji Tarey
09:20 Aj Bhalobashar Din
10:40 Mukto Shonglaap
11:30 Daily Soap: Doll's House
12:00 Gramenphone Lead News

CHANNEL 1
09:30 Shanbadpotrey Bangladesh
09:45 Public Reaction
09:50 Gramenphone Tritio Matra
11:05 Talk Show: Amader Aaina
12:05 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga

12:30 Talk Show: Citycell Taroka Kathan
01:05 Musical Programme: Ebong Cinemar Gaan
01:30 Shobaar Jonyo Shorboshesh Bigyan Dharona
02:30 Bachelor
05:30 Bhalobashar Dui Projonmo
06:00 Jui Bhalobashar Shaptahik Adda
06:20 Cookery Show: Desh Bideshar Ranna
07:50 Drama: S M S
09:35 Agricultural Programme: Hridoye Mati O Manush
11:30 First Minister
12:00 Gramenphone Ajker Shangbadpotro

07:50 Drama: Truly Deeply Madly
09:30 Drama Serial: Aziz Marjet Shabag, Dhaka 1000
10:10 Special Programme: Made for Each Other
11:45 Amader Boimela
12:02 Ekusher Raat
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08:30 Ajker Shokaal
08:55 Bangla Feature Film
12:10 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy
01:05 Cartoon
02:30 Drama Serial: Chena Chena Lagey
03:15 Super Hero Super Heroine
04:10 Gallery
05:25 Ithasher Ei Din-ey
05:35 Entertainment Show: Hibiraat

01:30 Drama Serial: Shada Megh Kalo Megh
02:30 Bikeler Boimela
02:40 Drama: Chor
03:20 Anyo Nayan
04:10 Protidin-er Boimela
05:20 Gulshan Avenue
06:20 Bhalobasha Karey Koy
08:15 Drama Serial: Amar Ami
09:05 Drama: Love you Cristina
11:25 Law Chamber
12:10 Shangbad Protidin
DIGANTO TELEVISION
08:05 Ekantyo Shonglaap
09:05 Bigyanmoy Quran
11:30 Jibon Onneshha
12:30 Aain O Jibon
03:05 Lokaloy
03:30 24 Frame

09:30 Newsnight
10:00 BBC World News
10:30 Panorama: Gaza: Out Of The Ruins (r)
11:00 BBC World News
11:30 Middle East Business Report (r)
12:00 BBC World News
12:30 Dateline London
01:00 BBC World News
10:15 Sport Today
01:30 The Record Europe
02:00 BBC World News
02:30 Develop Or Die
03:00 BBC World News
03:10 The Fall Of A Shah (r)
04:00 BBC World News
04:30 Panorama: Gaza: Out Of The Ruins (r)
05:00 BBC World News

11:00 BBC World News
11:30 The Bottom Line (r)
HBO
08:45 Superman
11:30 Superman II
02:00 Hollywood One On One 26
02:30 Flight Of Fury
04:30 The Matchmaker
06:30 Failure To Launch
08:30 Notting Hill
11:0 Maid In Manhattan
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC CHANNEL
09:30 Amazing Moments
10:30 Rivers And Life
11:30 Naked Science
12:30 Love Market In The Clouds
01:00 Italy
02:00 Taboo
03:00 Mad Labs
04:30 Lets Get Inventin
05:00 Big Bang
05:30 Paris
06:30 Mission Navy
07:00 Rough Trades
07:30 Monkey Thieves
08:30 Evolutions
09:30 Naked Science
10:30 Mission Navy
11:00 Rough Trades
11:30 Against All Odds
12:30 Lions Behaving Badly
STAR MOVIES
08:45 The Nutty Professor
10:20 She's The One
11:55 Hitch
01:55 Titanic
05:05 Becoming Jane
07:00 Miss Potter
08:35 Great Expectations
10:25 Code Name: The Cleaner
12:00 Double Impact
ZEE STUDIO
08:00 Alex And Emma
10:40 Blind Guy Dating
12:50 Shall We Dance
03:15 50 First Dates
05:45 13 Going On 30
08:00 The Hollywood Reporter
08:30 Sweet Home Alabama



Love you Cristina
On Banglavisian at 9:05 pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Aupi Karim, Partho Barua

abc radio 69.2 FM
06:55am Manush Pogoler Mote Bhalobashar Bokkar Mote Noy
12:25pm Bhalobasha Otopor
03:30pm Bhalobashar Jajabor
06:30pm Poyirak Molewete Bhalobasha
07:00pm Shaj-er Maya
09:30pm Tunnel of Life
11:05pm Bhalobashar Cafe
Radio Foorti 88.0 FM
08:00am Addebaz
12:00pm Bolei Roka
02:00pm Footi Unlimited
06:00pm Bumper to Bumper
10:00pm Club Foorti
Radio Today 89.6 FM
07:15am Good Morning Dhaka
11:00am Mail Unlimited
01:00pm Saturday World Music
04:00pm Ushom
08:00pm Top of The Week
11:00pm Rael Ver Gan
2:00 am Back to Back



Miss Potter
On Star Movies at 7:00 pm
Genre: Drama

ETV
08:30 Ekush-er Shokal
09:35 Drama Serial: Aziz Market Shabag Dhaka 1000
10:02 Deho Ghor
11:30 Spondon
01:30 Tele-film: Bondhutyog
Bhalobasha Ityadi
04:30 Special Programme: Tiring Biring Gonga Phoring
06:10 Special Programme:

06:45 Special Programme: Bhalobashar Rangey Rangey
08:15 Drama Serial: First Date
11:35 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy
BANGLAVISION
08:00 Shubho Shokaal
08:30 Drama Serial: Mama Bhagney
09:00 Drama Serial: Shopney Boshobash
09:30 Choturanga
10:10 Bangla Feature Film

04:30 Shokaal Belar Pakhi
05:30 Syastho Diganto
06:30 Shorol Path
07:00 News Hour
08:05 Drama Serial: Mohor
08:30 Sholyer Shakhkhi
09:25 Career Line
11:05 Shobaar Agey Desh
BBC WORLD NEWS
08:10 Taste Of Iran
09:00 BBC World News

05:30 This Week
06:00 BBC World News
06:10 Taste Of Iran (r)
07:00 BBC World News
07:15 Sport Today
07:30 The Bottom Line
08:00 BBC World News
08:10 The Fall Of A Shah (r)
09:00 BBC World News
09:30 Equestrian World (r)
10:00 BBC World News
10:30 Newsnight (r)