

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Solo Art Exhibition
 Title: Palok
 Dinipi
 Artist: Kalidas Kamakar
 Organizer: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts
 Venue: Bengal

Documentary Screening
 Film: Stories of Change
 Director: Kamar Ahmed Simon
 Venue: Star Cineplex, Basundhara City, Panthapath
 Date: March 8
 Time: 4:45pm

Documentary Premiere
 Film: Bhuban Bhora Sur
 Director: Shabnam Ferdousi
 Venue: Shawkat Osman Auditorium, Central Public Library
 Date: March 3
 Time: 5pm

Musical Soiree
 To mark the Language Movement
 Organizer: Srijon
 Venue: Sufia Kamal Auditorium, National Museum
 Date: February 28
 Time: 6:05pm

The power of lyrics

In conversation with Kabir Bakul

JAMIL MAHMUD

Kabir Bakul is one of his generation's most successful lyricists. Over the last two decades he has been writing songs, some of which have been featured in films. He has worked with most of the talented and established singers and composers of the country. At present, this behind-the-scene cultural personality is also successfully hosting a musical programme. But his success did not come overnight. Recently in a conversation with The Daily Star, the lyricist talked about his struggle and success.

Bakul was born and raised in Chandpur. His passion for the arts, in particular poetry and music, was evident at a young age. In his early days, he was involved with theatre, recitation and music. But it was noted 'ad-hunuk' singer Tapan Chowdhury who first recognised Bakul's talent. "In 1988, I showed three of my songs to Tapan. At that time he was the vocalist of the band Souls and I had a cordial relationship with him. My first song 'Kaal shara raat' was featured in Ayub Bachchu's (also a member of Souls at that time) first solo album 'Moina.' It earned me my first recognition as a lyricist," said Bakul.

Later another of those



three songs, "Pothey jetye jetye" was featured in another Souls member Nasim Ali Khan's solo album.

Soon Bakul saw a potential career as a lyricist and during his student days in Dhaka University, he started to maintain liaisons with musicians. In his words, "I started going to recording studios and eventually met Sheikh Ishtiaque and Pranab Ghosh."

ten by Bakul, rendered by renowned singers Andrew Kishor and Runa Laila. According to Bakul this was another remarkable incident in his career.

He said, "Those two songs changed my career as I was nominated for an award. It inspired me profoundly and I decided to write songs for films regularly after that."

In recent times, films like "Bachelor," "Chandra Grah," "Shubho Bibaho" and "Rani Kuthir Baki Itihash" featured Bakul's songs. Some of his popular numbers in these films are "Keu prem korey," "Tomarey dekhiley poran bhoria" and "Bhalo bashbo bashborey."

At present Bakul is hosting a musical programme titled "Sur Shambhar," aired on Bangladesh Television. Alongside noted singers, the programme features behind-the-scene artistes and musicians.

"I think for a song to attain popularity, eloquent lyric, able composition and effusive vocals are must. A good song is a result of good teamwork. So credit should go to all who work behind a song. I consider myself a behind-the-scene person. So I want to give recognition to those who seldom come to the front but deserve accolades," said Bakul.

So far Bakul has grabbed numerous awards including a Citycell-Channel i Music Award.

"The Simpsons" set to become the longest-running TV show

Fox has ordered two more seasons of "The Simpsons." This order will make the show the longest-running series in TV history.

Two more seasons of the show totals 44 episodes, which means the show has and will air 493 episodes in total.

With Fox's new order, "The Simpsons" is set to surpass "Gunsmoke," which has held the record as the longest-running series on CBS from 1955 to 1975. The show was on air for 20 years with 635 episodes; "The Simpsons" debuted in 1990, and after two more seasons, it will take the lead.

"The Simpsons" and NBC's "Law & Order" have been gaining on "Gunsmoke's" record; "Law and Order" is currently airing its 19th season.

"Law and Order" could always catch up, but now, according to THR Feed, the show hasn't been attracting many viewers.

"The Simpsons" captured one record 12 years ago; the show passed "The Flintstones" as the longest-running



animated series on TV. Fox closed the new deal with Gracie Films on Wednesday, February 25th.

The cast had their most recent contract negotiations secure them for two more years.

Source: Internet



RJs Sayem and Nawshin host the show.

Jegey Achho Ki on Rtv

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Entertainment show "Jegey Achho Ki" will be aired tonight at 11 pm. Popular RJs Nawshin and Sayem are the hosts of the show.

The programme features phone calls from viewers who request songs and join in conversations started by the hosts. Chart-topping music videos and music are highlights of the show.

"Jegey Achho Ki" is directed by Tanif Mahmud.

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-i
 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

On Air

BTV
 09:05 Kobita O Chhobi
 09:30 Smitimoy Geetimoy
 10:30 Swastho Sheba
 11:20 Desher Gaan
 12:10 Aiker Fashion
 01:30 Shukhi Porbaar
 02:15 Sisimpur
 02:45 Bangla Feature Film
 05:35 Laukik Bangla
 06:15 Wrestling
 07:00 Geeti Malyo
 08:35 Drama Serial: Shomoy Ashomoy
 09:00 Drama: Modhyo Bartini
 10:30 Apnaar Doctor

ATN BANGLA
 08:15 Aiker Shanbadpoto
 08:30 Dance Programme: Nupur-er Chhondey
 09:15 Talk Show: Vision 2020
 10:30 Talk Show: Hello Bangladesh
 11:05 Omor Ekushey Boimela Protidin
 12:15 Musical Programme: Shesh Okhkor
 01:30 Documentary Programme: Prapok
 02:40 Bangla Feature Film
 05:30 Char Deyal-er Kabyo
 06:20 Square Hospital Shushtho Thakun
 06:45 Projonmo Katha
 08:00 Drama Serial: Sagai
 08:40 Drama Serial: Eka
 09:20 Drama Serial: Naksha
 10:40 Talk Show: Mukto Shonglaap
 11:30 Daily Soap: Doll's House
 12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

CHANNEL i
 09:30 Shanbadporey Bangladesh
 09:45 Public Reaction
 09:50 Grameenphone Tritto Matra
 11:05 Amader Aaina
 12:05 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma
 12:30 Talk Show: Citycell Taroka Kathan
 01:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan
 01:30 Shobaar Jonyo Shobshesh Bigyan Dharona

Sagai
 On ATN Bangla at 8:00 pm
 Drama Serial
 Cast: Anisur Rahman Milon, Apurbo

ntv
 08:30 Aiker Shokaal
 08:55 Bangla Feature Film
 12:10 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy
 01:05 Cartoon
 02:30 Drama Serial: Chena Chena Lagey

DIGANTA TELEVISION
 08:05 Ekantyo Shonglaap
 09:05 Educational Programme

BANGLAVISION
 08:00 Shubho Shokaal
 08:30 Drama Serial: Mama Bhagney
 09:00 Drama Serial: Shopney Boshobash

RTV
 09:00 Selected Programme
 11:03 Taroka Alap
 11:30 Drama Serial: FDC
 01:03 Dhrupadi Kahini
 02:03 Bangla Feature Film
 06:03 Protidin
 07:00 Heart Beat
 07:30 Road To Democracy
 09:00 Band Show: Just Band
 09:50 Drama Serial: Apon Ghorey Porobash
 11:00 Jegey Achho Ki

ETV
 08:30 Ekush-er Shokal
 09:30 Drama Serial: Aziz Market, Shahbag, Dhaka 1000
 10:02 Dehoghari
 11:30 Spondon

abc radio 89.2 FM
 06:00am Borer Janalya
 09:00am Mukhorlo Jiboney
 12:00pm Durin Oostany
 03:00pm Duronto Ekushey
 05:00pm Shomoyo Tora
 07:00pm Shajeri Marya
 09:00pm Resler Akashy
 11:00pm Jay Gopur Shahar Nei

Radio Foorti 88.0 FM
 08:00am Adhbabzi
 12:00pm Boier Poka
 02:00pm Foorti Unlimited
 06:00pm Bumper to Bumper
 10:00pm Club Foorti

Radio Today 89.4 FM
 07:15am Good Morning Dhaka
 11:00am Akash Unlimited
 01:00pm Saturday World Music
 04:00pm U-ham
 06:00pm Top of The Week
 11:00pm Rait Vee Can
 2:00 am Back to Back

BBC WORLD NEWS
 09:00 BBC World News
 09:30 Spirit Of Golf
 10:00 BBC World News
 10:30 The Oracle with Max Keiser (r)
 11:00 BBC World News
 11:30 Middle East Business Report
 12:00 BBC World News
 12:30 Click (r)
 01:00 BBC World News
 01:10 The World Debate
 02:00 BBC World News
 02:10 Tropic Of Capricorn
 03:00 BBC World News

STAR MOVIES
 08:30 National Treasure: Book Of Secrets

STAR MOVIES
 02:00 Bangla Feature Film
 05:30 Sports Plus
 05:45 Ekush-er Shondha
 06:30 Bhuboghurey Dot Com
 07:50 Dhum Ta Na
 09:30 Drama Serial: Aziz Marjet
 10:10 Golpo Sholpo Gaan
 11:40 Amader Boimela
 12:02 Ekusher Raat

STAR MOVIES
 08:30 National Treasure: Book Of Secrets

HBO
 09:15 We Are Marshall
 12:00 Dreamgirls
 02:30 The Perfect Weapon
 04:15 The Making Of Gladiator
 05:00 Gladiator (2000)
 08:00 Hollywood One On One 28
 08:30 Spider-Man 3
 11:15 The Cable Guy

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC CHANNEL
 09:30 NG's Amazing Moments
 10:30 Rivers And Life
 11:30 Animals Behaving Badly
 12:30 Planet Carnivore
 01:30 Sharkville
 02:30 Dolphin Army
 03:30 World's Toughest Fixes
 04:30 Lets Get Inventin
 05:00 Big Bang
 05:30 Marvi Hammer
 06:30 Mission Navy
 07:30 Super Croc
 09:30 Naked Science
 10:30 Mission Navy
 11:30 Against All Odds
 12:30 Caught In The Act

STAR WORLD
 09:00 The Simpsons
 09:30 Kath & Kim
 10:30 Koffee With Karan
 12:30 American Idol
 01:30 Psych
 02:30 Jimmy Kimmel Live
 03:30 Last Comic Standing
 04:30 American Inventor
 05:30 Most Daring
 06:30 American Idol
 07:30 Kyle XY
 08:30 90210
 09:30 Shark
 10:30 Boston Legal
 11:30 Heroes

ZEE STUDIO
 09:40 Good Morning, Vietnam
 12:25 Bringing Down The House
 02:35 The Mirror has two faces
 05:30 The Groomsman
 07:45 The Hollywood Reporter
 08:15 The Matrix Revolutions
 11:00 To Gillian on her 37th Birthday