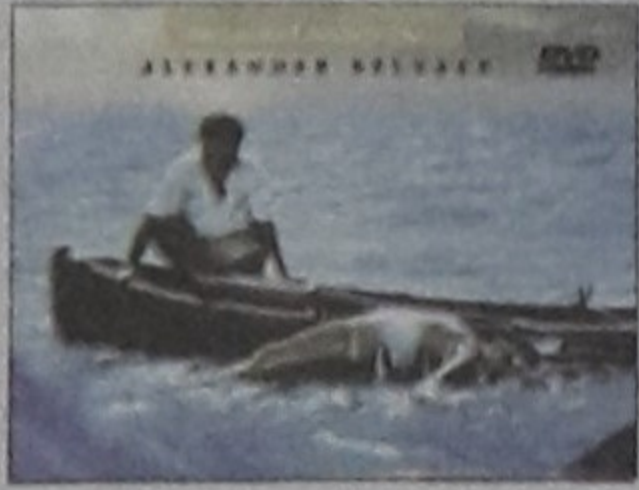


WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Film Screening
Organiser: Dhaka University Film Society
Venue: Russian Centre of Science and Culture, H 510, Rd 7, Dharmondi
Date: March 17-18
March 18: Kidnapping in Caucasian Style & Amphibian Man
Time: 3pm onwards



Mirpur Utshab
To celebrate Mirpur Free Day
Organiser: Shaltik
Venue: Studio Theatre, BSA
Date: March 19-23
Inauguration: March 19 at 6pm



Sand Sculpture Festival
Organiser: Green World Communication
Venue: Cox's Bazaar Beach (in between Laboni and Kolatoli point)
Date: March 21



Solo Art Exhibition
Title: Saga of the Padma
Artist: Monsur Ul Karim
Venue: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, H 275/F, Rd 27 (old), Dharmondi
Date: March 20-31
Time: 12-8pm



Manabdhikar Natya Utshab '09

Three stalwarts honoured



(From Left) Theatre troupe Subachan present their play "Pussy Cat". Kamal Lohani (L) and Professor Serajul Islam Chowdhury (R) hand over the crests to Language Movement veteran Abdul Matin and Theatre actor Khandakar Golam Kader respectively at the event.

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

On the concluding day of its three-day theatre festival, Bangladesh Manabdhikar Natya Parishad (MANAP) honoured three eminent personalities for their contribution in their respective fields. The recipients were Language Movement veteran, Abdul Matin, seasoned theatre actor, Khandakar Golam Kader and the editor of the first illustrated magazine exclusively for women, Nurjahan Begum.

The festival which began on March 13, succeeded in drawing a large crowd at the Rabindra Sharobar Mancha where different theatre troupes staged plays with strong social

messages on human rights. The festival also included discussions, a rally and convention for the activists of MANAP.

The last day's event began with a play "Konya Daay" by the artistes of Din Bodoler Pala, a theatre troupe for working children. The teenagers enacted some of the obstacles that a woman faces in various phases of her life.

The programme to honour the three stalwarts was presided over by Kamal Lohani, president of Bangladesh Manabdhikar Natya Parishad. Professor Serajul Islam Chowdhury was present as special guest at the event and conferred the crests to Abdul Matin and Khandakar Golam Kader. Nurjahan Begum was

not present at the event due to ill health. Motahar Akand, general secretary of the central executive committee of MANAP, was the moderator of the event.

"We are honoured to have such great personalities here with us," said Lohani.

Expressing his satisfaction at the laudable initiative by MANAP to honour the three iconic figures, Professor Serajul Islam Chowdhury said, "Unfortunately we tend to highlight negative issues at the expense of our positive achievements. In fact, we do not have enough role examples that we can follow. Hence, these three personalities who have made a tremendous contribution to the nation's culture, are a source of inspi-

ration. By honouring these personalities, we are actually becoming conscious about our responsibility to take the cultural movement forward, which is the essence of all positive social change."

Language Movement veteran Abdul Matin and artiste Khandakar Golam Kader also addressed the audience with their inspiring speeches.

Performances by different theatre troupes followed next. MANAP Kushtia branch presented the play "Dhama Chapa" at the event. Theatre troupe Subachan staged the play "Pussy Cat" while Udichi staged the play "Purnima", a play based on the true story of a violated girl in Serajanj.

Three new books hit the stands

Tofael and Samiul earn accolades

RAFIQUE SARKER, Rangpur

Bengali International, a socio-cultural organisation, held a publication ceremony to launch three new literary books on Saturday evening at Raja Rammohan auditorium.

The authors were two litterateurs of Rangpur, Mostafa Tofael, advisor of Bengali International of Rangpur unit, and Samiul Bashir, Rangpur unit chairman of the organisation.

The president of Rangpur Sahitya Parishad, Professor Alim Uddin, from the London unit, presided over the function. President of Bengali International, Professor Shamsul Haque, Professor Roisuddin, and

Mridul Rahman were the main speakers.

Tofael's epic, "Ekjan Prometheus Tini", Bashir's collection of poetry, "Simarekha Tomar amar" and his collection of short stories, "Shoishabe Ekaki", were highly acclaimed by critics present on the occasion.

Haque said that Samiul's endeavor would give him a firm place in the Bengali literary firmament.

Rahman was equally profuse in his praise of Samiul. In his view, Samiul had all the qualities of a poet—a powerful imagination, sensitivity and an acute observation of life.

"Though lyrical at the beginning, all of his poems in the books end with objectivity," he said.



Professor Alim Uddin (C) at the book launch.

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On Air

News Bulletin
BTW
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

BTW
08:20 Selected Programme
08:45 Selected Programme
09:05 Talk Show
09:30 Musical Programme: Shaswata Sur
10:05 Open University
10:30 Laukik Bangladesh
11:20 Desher Gaan
11:30 Drama Serial: Shomoy Ashomoy
12:10 Ei Amar Bangladesh
12:30 Maa O Shishur Katha
01:00 Matri Basha
01:30 Hijol Tomaal
02:15 Debate
03:05 Cartoon
03:30 Shukhi Ponbaar
05:05 Sisimpur
05:30 Football
06:10 Nobo Anondey Jago
06:45 Swadhinota Amar Swadhinota
07:00 Mati O Manush
08:30 Documentary Programme
09:05 Drama Serial: Shubamo Rekha
10:30 Shur Shombhaar
ATN BANGLA
08:15 Ajker Shanbadpoto
08:30 Drama Serial: Joyotsnakaal
09:15 Asian City Top Spin 2020
10:30 Hello Bangladesh
10:30 Drama: Aainaye Ochena Manush
12:15 IT Zone
01:25 Band View
02:30 Selected Programme
03:15 Rupali Manush
03:45 Srishti Shukh-er Ullashey
04:20 Islam Ki Boley Amra Ki Kori
05:10 Islamic Programme
05:30 Talk Show: Proshongo
06:20 Take Care
06:45 Kandeey Amar Ma
08:00 Drama Serial: Easy Marriage Media
08:40 Drama Serial: Ghar Jamal
09:20 Drama Serial: Joyotsnakaal
11:30 Talk Show: Talking Point
12:00 Grameenphone Lead News
CHANNEL 1
08:05 Tagore Song

08:30 Shokaal-er Gaan
09:30 Shangbadpotey Bangladesh
09:45 Public Reaction
09:50 Grameenphone Tritiomatra
11:05 Sports Time
11:30 Medha Bikash
12:30 Citycell Taroka Kathan
01:05 Ebong Cinemaar Gaan
01:30 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma
02:30 Hridoyer Gaan
03:05 Medha Bikash
03:30 Channel i Abritti Chhondey Chhondey
04:30 Apnaader Shushathyo
05:30 Muktiyuddho Protidin
06:00 Mega Serial: Shath Goenda
06:20 Cookery Show: Arku Desh Bideshey Ranna
07:50 Chandrobindu
08:25 Drama Serial: Shagolom Bhalobasha

03:15 Ta Na Na Na
03:30 O Bondhu Amar
04:02 Drama Serial: Tomtom
04:30 Deshjurey Shangjaap
05:30 Sports Plus
05:45 Ekusher Shondha
06:30 Campus Campus
07:45 Cine Hits
08:30 Drama Serial: Akey Shukhyo Dash
09:30 Drama Serial: Tom Tom
10:50 Financial Bulletin
12:02 Ekusher Raat
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08:30 Ajker Shokaal
08:55 Drama Serial: Eit Kaancher Khancha
09:30 Crime Watch
10:05 Drama Serial: House Full
10:30 Music Express
12:10 Ei Shomoy
01:05 Japan Video Topic

BANGLAVISION
08:30 Drama Serial: Shada Megh Kalo Megh
09:00 Drama Serial: Swapno Chura
09:30 Bangla Feature Film
12:30 Ebong Class-er Bairey
01:30 Musical Programme: Gaanapal
02:40 Drama Serial: Mama Bhagney
03:20 Anyonayan
04:10 Selected Programme
05:20 Drama Serial: Gulshan Avenue
06:00 Citycell Din-er Sheshey
06:20 Cinebit
06:50 Media Bhubaan
08:15 Drama Serial: Swapney Boshobash
09:05 Home Care
09:45 Drama Serial: Gulshan Avenue
11:15 Shapludur Gaan
12:30 Bashudha Cinemar Gaan
DIGANTO TELEVISION
08:05 Musical Programme: Gaan-er

RTV
09:00 Very Filmy
11:03 Lata Herbal Tarokalap
11:30 Drama Serial: Ebong Rohoshyer Golpo
01:03 Nari O Nokhyotro
02:03 Bangla Feature Film
05:30 Selected Programme
06:03 Protidin
07:00 Look at Me
07:30 Road to Democracy
09:30 Jiboney Ano Alo
11:00 Business Block
BBC WORLD NEWS
08:00 World News Today
09:00 BBC World News
09:30 HARDtalk (r)
10:00 BBC World News
10:30 TBA
11:00 BBC World News
11:30 Middle East Business Report

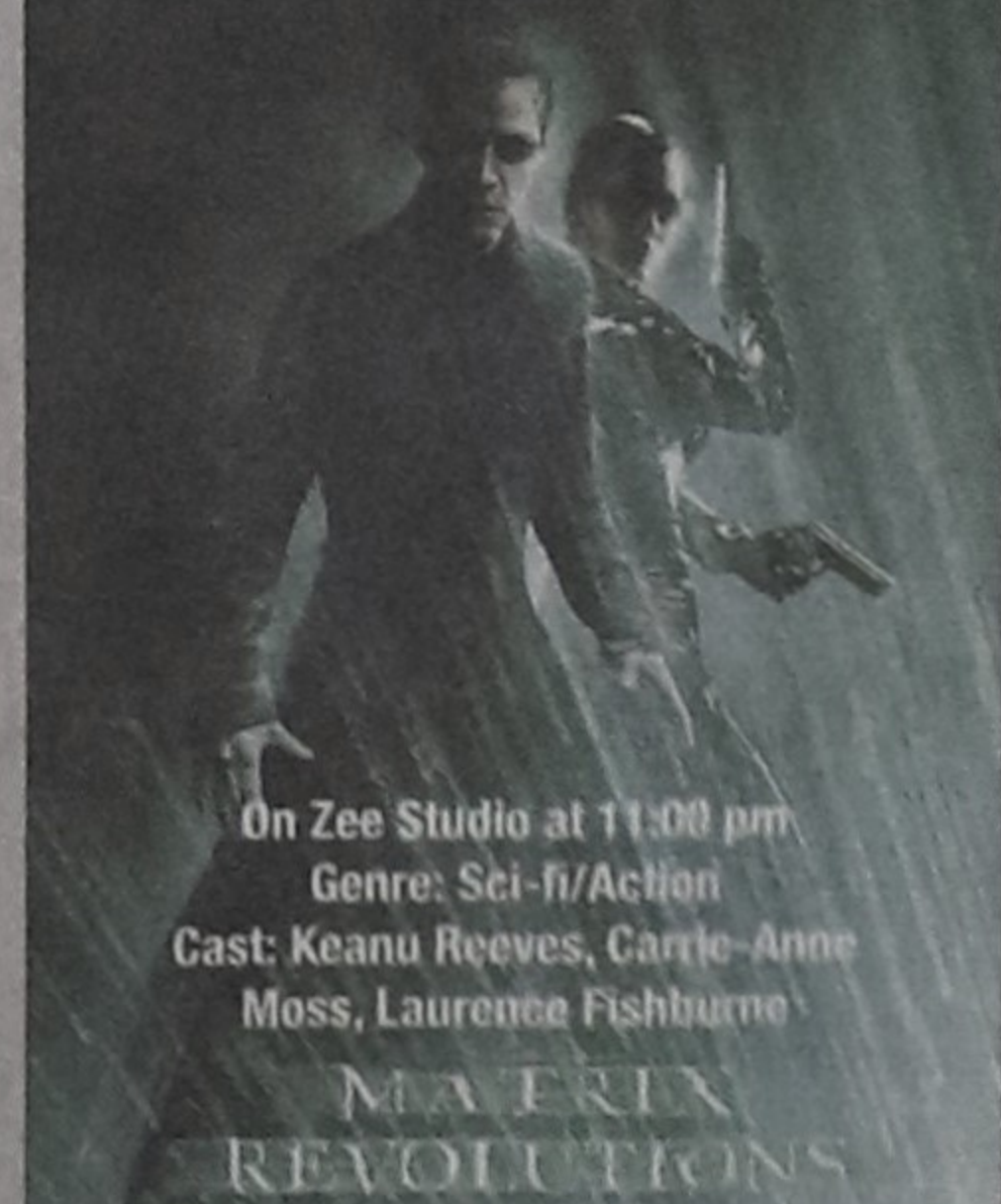
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07:00 BBC World News
07:15 Sport Today
07:30 Staying On
08:00 BBC World News
08:30 Exploring Malaysia
09:00 BBC World News
09:10 The World Uncovered (r)
10:00 BBC World News
10:30 Final Score
11:00 BBC World News
11:30 Meet The Immigrants (r)
HBO
10:30 The Dukes Of Hazzard: The Beginning
12:30 Year Of The Dog
02:30 The Making Of The Pursuit Of Happiness
02:45 Stepmom
05:15 K-9
07:15 Sweet November
09:30 Daddy Day Camp
11:15 Bone Eater



Jyotsnakaal
On ATN Bangla at 9:20 pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Mosharraf Karim, Chandni



abc radio 89.2 FM
06:00am Echorer Jalmaly
09:00am Mukhoro Jiboney
12:00pm Dorin Dupurey
03:00pm Duranto Bikoley
05:00pm Shondha Tara
07:00pm Shaj-er Maya
09:00pm Raat-er Akashay
11:00pm Golpo Shesh Nei
Radio Fornti 88.0 FM
07:30am Hello Dhaka
10:00am Morning Express
12:00pm My Time
01:30pm No Tension
04:00pm Dhaka Calling
09:00pm Night Rider
01:00am Back to Back music
Radio Today 88.4 FM
07:15am Good Morning Dhaka
11:00am Music Unlimited
01:00pm Today's Adda
04:00pm U-Turn
08:00pm Today's Tal Hok
11:00pm Raat Ehor Gaan



On Zee Studio at 11:00 pm
Genre: Sci-fi/Action
Cast: Keanu Reeves, Carrie-Anne Moss, Laurence Fishburne
MATRIX REVOLUTIONS

09:35 Drama Serial: Prithibir Shobrup Mekhey Achhey Ghashey
10:00 Drama Serial: Shongshar
11:30 Selected Programme
12:00 Grameenphone Ajker Shanbadpoto
ETV
09:30 Drama Serial: Tomtom
10:02 Bindon-er Bishwa
11:30 Ekushay Business
12:02 Ekush-er Dupur
02:30 Drama Serial: Akey Shunyo Dash

02:30 Drama Serial: Swapno Jatra
03:15 Drama Serial: Jhuthamela
04:10 Quiz Show: Ispahani Janar Acchey Bolar Achhey
05:25 Ithasher El Din-ey
05:30 Apnaar Jigyasha
06:15 Shubha Shandhya
06:45 Bajjo Ebong Bajao
08:15 Cookery Show: Siddiqua Kabir's Recipe
09:00 Kichho Katha Kichhu Gaan
09:45 Drama Serial: Trinar Golpo
11:35 Drama

Shera Gaan
09:05 Diganta Shanglaap
12:30 Sholor Path
03:05 Gaon Geramer Manush
03:30 Selected Programme
04:30 Tom and Jerry
05:30 Rang Rup
07:00 News Hour
08:05 Shorporko Shankaat
08:30 Prio Gaan Prio Shur
09:30 Pathey Prantorey
10:00 Diganta Prime Time
11:05 Shobaar Agey Desh

12:00 BBC World News
12:30 Click (r)
01:00 BBC World News
01:10 The World Uncovered
02:00 BBC World News
02:30 Newsnight
03:00 BBC World News
03:30 Meet The Immigrants
04:00 BBC World News
04:30 Our World (r)
05:30 BBC World News
05:30 Middle East Business Report (r)

STAR MOVIES
12:10 Blue In The Face
01:50 Alien Agent
03:45 Double Impact
05:30 Jay+Silent Bob Strike Back
06:20 The Birdcage
09:30 Mumbai Matinee
11:45 Death Defying Acts
STAR WELLY
09:00 Friends
09:30 According To Jim
10:00 Scrubs
10:30 La Femme Nikita
11:30 Eureka
12:30 The Moment Of Truth
01:30 Heroes
02:30 The Ellen Degeneres
03:30 Desperate Housewives
04:30 Ghost Whisperer
05:30 La Femme Nikita
06:30 Eureka
08:00 Friends
08:30 According To Jim
09:00 Scrubs
09:30 The Moment Of Truth
10:30 Shark
11:30 Most Daring
ZEE STUDIO
08:30 Marie and Bruce
10:35 Bringing Out The Dead
01:20 Snow Dogs
03:30 Out Cold
05:30 The Matrix Reloaded
08:30 Mansfield Park
11:00 The Matrix Revolutions