

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

### Kheyal and Thumri

Artist: Shubhra Guha  
Organiser: Shadhona  
Venue: Radius Centre,  
5th floor, Bay's Galleria,  
57, Gulshan Avenue  
Date: March 25  
Time: 7pm



### Mirpur Utshab

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



### 7th Children's Painting Exhibition

Organised by artist Md.  
Abu Salim  
Venue: Dik Gallery, H  
58, Rd 15A (new),  
Dhanmondi  
Date: March 20-24  
Time: 3-8pm



### Solo Art Exhibition

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



## Sculpture on Liberation War in Barisal

"Mukto Bihango" to be unveiled on March 23



'Mukto Bihango' is the first sculpture on Liberation War in Barisal.

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RAFIQUL ISLAM, Barisal

'Mukto Bihango,' the first sculpture on Liberation War in Barisal, will be unveiled at Amtala crossing in the city on March 23.

Construction of the steel sculpture that features eight soaring birds -- a reference to December 8, 1971 when Barisal was liberated -- has been completed at a cost of approximately Tk 10 lakh, funded by Barisal City Corporation.

Barisal Shangkritik Shangothan Shamannay Parishad (BSSSP) and Charukala provided assistance to the project designed by sculptors Hamiduzzaman Khan and Aminul Hassan and implemented by State

Communication Firm of Dhaka.

Syed Dulal, president of BSSSP, told The Daily Star that the first attempt to construct a sculpture on Liberation War in the city was taken in 1996 and local people initiating a movement and forced the authorities to lay a foundation for that at the Zilla Parishad Nagar Bhaban area.

However that project was abandoned by the authorities later. Through initiatives of Barisal Charukala, the present site was selected and Awlad Hossain Dilu, former Mayor of BCC on May 24, 2008, laid the foundation.

Later, Advocate Shawkat Hossain Hiron, BCC Mayor, formally inaugurated the construction.

## Capturing the disparities

National Pantomime Festival in Chittagong

DWAIPAYAN BARUA,  
Chittagong

Pantomime is a non-verbal creative art form which uses dramatic expression to convey its message. A three-day pantomime festival, titled 'National Pantomime Festival 2009' began here on Friday with a view to capture the inequity in our society.

The organiser of the festival is Pantomime Movement, a local group which celebrates its 14th founding anniversary. The theme of the festival is 'Internationality in the practice of Pantomime'.

President of International

Theatre Institute, Ramendu Majumdar inaugurated the festival by lighting candles at the Theatre Institute of Chittagong.

Playwright, director and actor Azad Abul Kalam was the special guest at the ceremony, while among those who addressed the gathering were presidium member of Bangladesh Group Theatre Federation M Saiful Alam, TIC director Ahmed Iqbal Haider, Dr Tajmi Nur and theatre personality Abhijit Sengupta Apu.

President of the group, Rizwan Rajon gave a welcome speech. In turn, Majumdar said cultural activists in the

country had to face many obstacles but they continued to forge ahead and had many accomplishments to their credit.

In the post-Liberation era, he added, theatre had acquired impetus and the audience had grown rapidly. "Our activists could not take up cultural activities as a profession due to lack of financial prospects. However, they could manage to achieve professional skills," said Majumdar. He called upon the government to facilitate the visits of foreign artists and troupes which would make for a rich exchange of art and culture.



A scene from "Freedom," staged at the inaugural.



PHOTO: ZOBAER HOSSAIN SIKDER

Azad Abul Kalam speaks at the opening of the festival.

Azad Abul Kalam said that pantomime can express a great deal without words.

Speakers called on the activists and leaders of Bangladesh Group Theatre Federation to aid local theatre groups in different parts of the country so that they could fine tune their skills.

Later, artistes of Pantomime Movement performed a mime, titled 'Freedom', depicting the run up to freedom since 1952. Rizwan Rajon was the writer and director, while Raj edited the work. The pantomime played to a large and enthusiastic

audience at the TIC Laboratory Hall.

The solo performance of Nur-e-Akbar also attracted attention.

A seminar on "Crisis and Prospects of Pantomime practice: Bangladesh perspective" was held yesterday on the second day of the festival. Sapnodal, a troupe from Dhaka, performed a mime, titled 'Jadur Pradip' on Saturday.

The festival ends today. Presidium Member of Bangladesh Group Theatre Federation, Liakat Ali Lucky is the chief guest at the closing ceremony.



## News Bulletin

**BT**  
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 am, 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.

**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

08:30 Drama Serial: Sagai  
09:15 Asian City Top Spin  
10:30 Hello Bangladesh  
11:15 Shadi Din  
12:15 Cookery Show: Dekko Gura Moshla ATN Ranna Ghar  
01:25 Khelar Jogot  
02:30 Special Programme: Pan Korbo Nirapad Pani  
03:15 Closing Ceremony of Dhaka City Premier & 1st Division Volleyball (Live)  
05:10 Selected Programme  
06:20 An Exclusive Interview with UK Minister  
06:45 Kandeey Aamar Maa  
08:00 Drama Serial: Shoa Paanch Arai Lane  
08:40 Drama Serial: Syed Babrur Bou Barabari  
09:20 Drama Serial: Bharabari Barabari  
11:30 Daily Soap: Doll's House  
12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

### CHANNEL 1

08:05 Rabindra Sangeet  
08:30 Shokaler Gaan  
09:30 Shanbadpotrey Bangladesh  
09:45 Public Reaction  
09:50 Grameenphone Trilio Matra  
11:05 Tele Prescription  
11:30 Agricultural Programme: Hridoye Mati O Manush  
12:30 Talk Show: Citycell Taroka Kathan  
01:05 Musical Programme: Ebong Cinemar Gaan  
01:30 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma  
02:30 Musical Programme: Hridoyer Gaan  
03:05 Educational Programme: Medha Bikash  
04:30 Aktel Money Talk  
05:30 Mukti Juddhho Protidin  
06:00 I Speed  
06:20 Superman  
07:50 Mega Serial: Sakin Sharishuri  
09:35 Banglalink Banglar Pathay  
10:00 Drama Serial: Shongshar  
11:30 Special Programme  
12:00 Grameenphone Aker Shangbadpotro

### ntv

08:55 Bangla Feature Film  
12:10 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy  
01:05 Japan Video Topic  
02:30 Drama Serial: Chena Chena Lagey

03:15 Nokia Music Lounge  
04:10 Ispahani Janar Achhey Bolaar Achhey  
05:25 Ithasher Ei Diney  
05:35 Apnaar Jigyasha  
06:15 Shubho Shondhya  
06:45 Shamparko  
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### BANGLAVISION

08:00 Shubho Shokal  
08:30 Drama Serial: Mama Bhagney  
09:00 Drama Serial: Shomudro Jaal  
09:30 Bangla Feature Film  
12:30 Raat Biratey  
01:30 Media Bhuvan  
02:40 Drama Serial: Bijli Moholla  
03:20 Nodi O Jibon

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### BBC WORLD NEWS

08:00 BBC World News  
08:30 Reporters  
09:00 BBC World News  
09:30 HARDtalk (r)  
10:00 BBC World News  
10:30 Equestrian World (r)  
11:00 BBC World News  
11:30 India Business Report  
12:00 BBC World News  
12:30 Middle East Business Report (r)  
01:00 BBC World News  
01:10 The World Uncovered (r)  
The Man Who Armed The World  
02:00 BBC World News  
02:30 The Real... Stockholm  
03:00 BBC World News

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10:30 India Business Report (r)  
11:00 BBC World News

### ESPN

04:50 ICC Women's World Cup 2009 Match 7 (Live)  
08:15 India Down Under Programme 7  
08:45 ICC Women's World Cup 2009 Match 7  
12:30 Uda College Dance Championships  
01:00 World Of Gymnastics Final Score  
01:30 Sportscenter Week In Review 2009  
02:00 Uca National High School Cheerleading Championship  
03:25 Sportscenter Weekend 2009  
03:30 World Baseball Classic 2009 Super Sunday  
06:30 Barclays Premier League 08/09 (Live) Wigan Athletic vs. Hull City  
07:25 Super Sunday  
09:30 Barclays Premier League 08/09 (Live) Liverpool vs.

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### STAR MOVIES

09:10 Last Hero In China  
11:50 Primeval  
01:15 Species II  
03:00 Vip Access: Confessions Of A Shopaholic  
03:30 Death Defying Acts  
05:25 Until Death  
07:30 Romance & Cigarettes

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