

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Group Art Exhibition
Featuring 167 artworks by 107 Bangladeshi artists
Venue: Saju Art Gallery, F 40-41, D.C.C. North Super Market, 2nd Circle, Gulshan
Date: April 11-May 12
Time: 10am-8pm



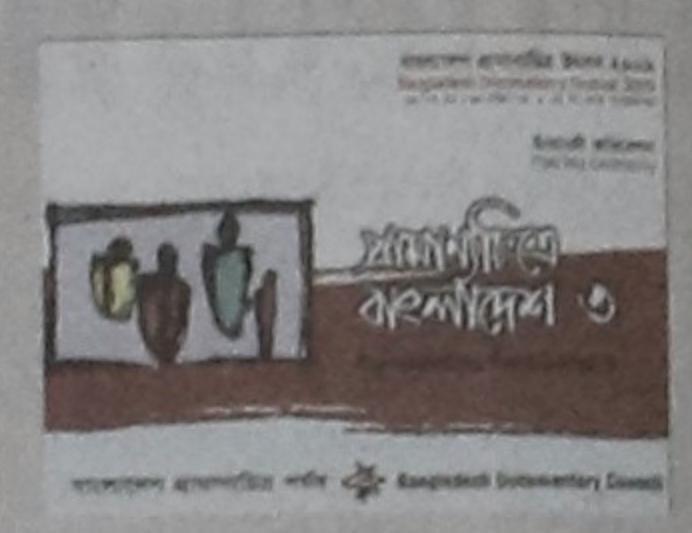
Dance Festival
Featuring Classical and contemporary dance
Organiser: Sishli Cultural Centre
Venue: National Theatre Stage, BSA
Date: April 25-26
Time: 7:00pm



Balshakhi Fair
Organiser: BSCIC
Venue: Bangla Academy premises
Date: April 14-24
Time: 10am-8pm



Bangladesh Documentary Festival '09
Organiser: Bangladesh Documentary Council
Venue: Shawkat Osman Auditorium, Central Public Library, Shahbag
Date: April 16-19
11am, 3pm, 5pm and 7pm



Sneak Peek

Ustagarer Talika: A fake list that saved many lives

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Shooting for US-based Bangladeshi independent filmmaker Anwar Shahadat's debut full-length feature "Ustagarer Talika" (Circumciser's Tally) is near completion. The shooting began on March 2 in Nangalkote, Narayanganj and Kaikartan Bazar, Sonargaon.

The film narrates the valour of a circumciser, Motaleb Karigar, who saved many Hindus at his village during the Liberation War. Motaleb lied to the occupying Pakistani soldiers that there are no Hindus in his village as all of them converted to Islam during the riots of 1947. The officer in charge remarks that Motaleb's claim is "very interesting" and wants to see the tally of the Hindus who had converted.

Staying up the whole night, Motaleb and his wife Gul Bahar carefully devise a fake list of the names.

In sovereign Bangladesh,



Anwar Shahadat goes over a scene with Jayanta Chattopadhyay (centre) and Rokeya Prachi.

Motaleb's act of benevolence remains unrecognised until an NGO worker Nupur comes to the village conducting a research on the sacrifices and contributions of each citizen during the Liberation War. Nupur meets Motaleb -- now a decrepit old man. While

reminiscing the war days, Motaleb sheds light on the ups and downs of his profession, his youth, his marriage and his profound love for his wife. Eventually, he opens a wooden box and brings out the list that saved many lives.

Shahadat is also the

cinematographer and editor of the film. The film is in Bengali with English subtitles. The editing will be completed in the U.S. The director hopes to release the film towards the end of this year. Afifa Khanam and Shafiq Rahman are the executive producers of the film.

Jayanta Chattopadhyay plays the protagonist Motaleb Karigar. Rokeya Prachi plays the role of Nupur. The cast also includes Rani Sarkar, Sushma, Shoma and Babu.

Unlikely diva grabs A-list attention

In the space of a few minutes and a few notes, unemployed Scottish charity worker Susan Boyle won over 3,000 fans. In the space of a few days and YouTube, she has grabbed the attention of millions.

And she also reportedly has A-list fans such as Demi Moore and Ashton Kutcher.

She didn't play or dress the part of a star on reality TV show "Britain's Got Talent," but within seconds of beginning to sing, the auditorium knew she was one.

Boyle, 47, told the show she had never been married or kissed, and lives in Scotland with her cat, Pebbles.

She still lives in her childhood home in Blackburn, West Lothian, and believes a promise to her mother, Bridget, who died at 91 in 2007, go her on the TV show.

The town, in northeast Scotland, is a former cotton and mining centre that now attracts commuters to nearby Aberdeen, the key city for the region's North Sea oil industry.

"I wanted to fulfil a wish to my mother that I wanted to do something with my life. Not only that, but I felt like I had a better life to offer," she told Scottish TV's "Five-thirty" show.

As she revealed her dream to be a professional singer -- as big as Elaine Paige -- many in the 3,000 crowd in The Clyde Auditorium, Glasgow, Scotland, were smirking or even laughing.

Seconds later, the first gasps emerged as she sang the opening lines of "I Dreamed a Dream" from "Les Misérables."

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Judge Piers Morgan wrote on the show's website: "I watched her performance back again last night, I texted Simon in Hollywood: 'My god, Susan was even better than I remembered -- she's unbelievable.' He agreed, and I could almost feel his heady little eyes going 'KERCHING' down the line from his new Beverly Hills mansion."

"For, unless I am a brainless aardvark -- which might, sadly, be true -- then this West Lothian villager is going to sell a lot of records once this series is over."

New fans also clogged the message board, many along

the lines of Surfer 1960's: "I am

just blown away by her voice."

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PA reported Cowell is already looking at a record deal for her.

Boyle is also among the most searched terms on Google, and her name has been a high trend on Twitter since her appearance.

Back in her hometown, Boyle has received quite the welcome. The Washington Post reported that children in the town are clapping when she enters stores.

Source: Internet



BTV
09:05 Kobita O Chhobi
09:30 Smritimoy Geetimoy
10:05 Swastho Sheba
10:30 Hodey Pakhir Palok
11:20 Desher Gaan
11:30 Apon Aloye
12:10 Tele-film
01:30 Shukhi Poribaar
02:15 Sisimpur
02:45 Bangla Feature Film
05:05 Shomoyer Shanglaap
07:00 Geeti Malyo
07:15 Jago Nari Jago
07:45 Documentary Programme
08:35 Drama Serial: Shomoy
09:00 Drama
10:30 Apnaar Doctor

ATN BANGLA
NEWS (Bangla): 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm, 11:00 pm, 1:00 am, 4:00 am
News Every Hour: 7:00 am, 11:00 am, 12:00 pm, 01:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 04:00 pm
News (English): 9:00 am, 8:00 pm. Gram-Ganjer Khobor: 5:00 pm

BANGLAVISION
News (Bangla): 7:30 am, 1:30 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:15 pm, 10:30 pm. News Headlines (Bangla) at 10:00 am, 12:00 am, 4:00 pm. News (English) at 6:00 pm

Rtv
News (Bangla): 2:30 pm, 4:30 pm, 6:30 pm, 8:30 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:30 am

ATN
News (Bangla): 7:30 am, 12:02 pm, 2:00 pm, 7:30 pm, 10:30 pm, 1:00 am, 1:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm, 11:00 pm

abc radio
News: 08:00 am, 12:00 pm, 03:00 pm, 06:00 pm, 09:00 pm, 12:00 am; English Bulletin: 1:30 pm, 7:30 pm

RADIO TODAY
News: 08:45 am, 01:45 pm, 06:45 pm, 09:45 pm, 11:45 pm

CHANNEL 1
08:05 Rabindra Sangeet
08:30 Shokaler Gaan
09:30 Shanbadpotre Bangladesh
09:45 Public Reaction
09:50 Grameenphone Tritio Matra
11:05 Amader Aalna

On Air
09:05 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma
12:30 Talk Show: Citycell Taroka Kathan
01:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan
01:30 Shobaar Jonyo Shobhesh Bigyan Dharona
02:30 Selected Programme
05:30 Muktijudhyo Protidin
06:00 Quiz Show
06:20 Udyog
07:50 Drama Serial: Sakin Shari Shuri
09:35 Agricultural Programme: Hridoye Mati O Manush
10:00 Drama Serial: Nine Month In Brick Lane
11:30 Drama Serial: Chondro Carigar
12:00 Grameenphone Ajker Shangbadpotro
08:30 Apon Aloye
09:00 Drama Serial: Tomaar Doyage Bhalo Achhi Ma
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BANGLAVISION
08:00 Shubho Shokal
08:30 Drama Serial: Mama Bhagney
09:00 Kemon Budget Chai
09:30 Choturongo
10:10 Shamol Bangla
11:05 Jonolalar Mukhomukhi
01:30 Drama Serial: Shada Megh
02:40 Drama Serial: Antyorkhyo
03:20 Onno Nayan
04:10 Musical Programme: Gaanapal
05:20 Daily Soap: Gulshan Avenue
06:00 Citycell Din-er Sheshey
06:20 Din Bodoler Manush
08:15 Drama Serial: Jogphol
09:05 Talk Show: Amar Ami
09:45 Daily Soap: Gulshan Avenue
11:25 Selected Programme
08:30 Apon Aloye
09:00 Drama Serial: Alta Shundor
11:03 Taroka Alap
11:30 Drama Serial: FDC
01:03 Dhrupadi Kahini
02:03 Documentary Programme
03:00 Drama: Bridhya Asrom

BEST
08:00 Ekantyo Shanglaap
10:30 News of the Day
12:30 Pathey Prantorey
03:00 Bob the Builder
04:30 Shokal Belar Pakhi
05:30 Shashito Dignata
06:05 Desh Diganla
06:30 Sholor Path
08:05 Drama Serial: Mohor
08:30 Shoyer Shakhh
09:25 Career Line
11:05 Shobaar Agey Desh
08:45 Torque
10:30 The Jane Austen Book Club
12:30 The Making Of Blood Diamond
12:45 Smokin' Aces
02:30 Mission Impossible
04:45 December Boys
06:45 Hollywood One On One 35
07:15 Bird On A Wire
09:30 In Bruges
11:30 Blood Diamond
09:20 The Simpsons Movie
11:00 Lock Up

STAR WORLD
08:00 The Simpsons
09:00 Kath & Klim
09:30 How I Met Your Mother
10:00 According To Jim
12:00 American Idol
13:00 Psych
14:00 Jimmy Kimmel Live
15:00 Last Comic Standing
16:00 American Inventor
17:00 Most Daring
18:00 American Idol
19:00 Smallville
20:00 90210
21:00 Bones
22:00 Boston Legal
23:00 Heroes

BBC WORLD NEWS
08:00 World News Today
09:00 BBC World News
09:30 HARDtalk (r)
10:00 BBC World News
10:30 BBC World News Inside Sport (r)
11:00 BBC World News
11:30 Middle East Business Report
12:00 BBC World News
12:30 Click (r)
13:00 BBC World News
13:10 The World Uncovered
14:00 BBC World News
14:30 Newsnight
15:00 BBC World News
15:30 Meet The Immigrants
16:00 BBC World News
16:30 Our World: Les Liaisons Dangereuses (r)
17:00 BBC World News
17:30 Middle East Business Report (r)
18:00 BBC World News
18:30 Dateline London
19:00 BBC World News
19:15 Sport Today
19:30 Staying On
20:00 BBC World News
20:30 Exploring Malaysia
21:00 BBC World News
21:10 The World Uncovered (r)
22:00 BBC World News
22:30 Final Score
23:00 BBC World News
23:30 Meet The Immigrants (r)

ZEE STUDIO
08:00 Down And Out In Beverly Hills
10:15 True Hollywood's Stories - Oprah Winfrey
09:00 Drama Serial: Shubho Shokal
09:30 Telepress Bangladesh
10:02 Dehoghari
11:30 Spondon
02:02 Bangla Feature Film
03:00 Heart Beat
07:30 Road To Democracy
09:00 Band Show: Just Band
09:50 Drama Serial: Apon Ghorey Porobash
11:00 Jegey Achoo Ki
12:02 Ekusher Raat
08:55 Bangla Feature Film
10:02 Shubho Shondhya
11:05 Meena
02:02 Bangla Feature Film
03:00 Sports Plus
06:30 Bhaboghurey Dot Com
07:45 Dhum Ta Na
09:30 Drama Serial: Channel 21
10:10 Golpo Sholpo Gaan
12:02 Ekusher Raat
08:15 Drama Serial: Bari Bari Shari
09:30 Shari
08:15 Nokia Music Lounge
11:35 Talk Show: El Shomoy

DIGANTA TELEVISION
08:05 Shubho Shondhya
06:45 Shangskriti El Shoptaho
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