

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

### Group Art Exhibition

Featuring 167 artworks by 107 Bangladesh 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



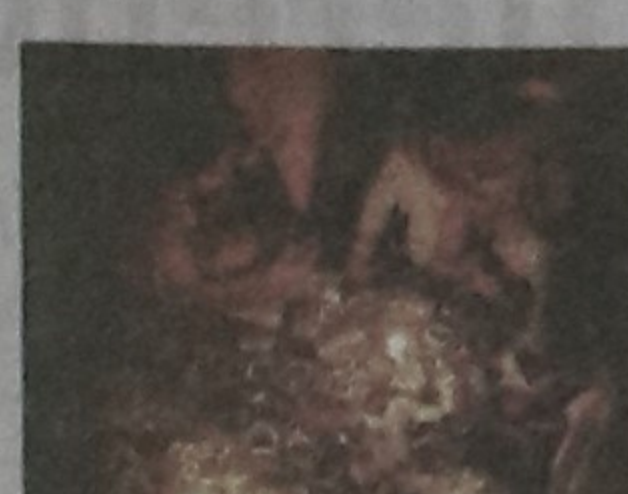
### Dance Festival

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



### Baishakhi Fair

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



### 1st Anniversary Programme

Organiser: Bhawaiya  
Venue: National Music and Dance Centre, BSA  
Date: April 21  
Time: 5:45pm



## Pottery industry facing grave threat in greater Dinajpur

KONGKON KARMAKER, Dinajpur

These are hard times for the potters of greater Dinajpur area. Today they have to deal with multifarious problems: a slump in sale, high prices of clay, lack of capital and wood along with inadequate technical support from the local authorities.

Traders say that earthenware and clay products are rapidly being replaced with aluminium, plastic, steel and other alternative materials. Even toys for children are being made with wood and cloth. Besides, many of the elites think it below their dignity to buy earthenware. However, those who know point out those clay utensils are far more hygienic than those made of silver or other metals.

To observe the plight of potters first hand, this correspondent visited several places in the district: Dinajpur, Thakurgaon, Panchagarh, Jaipurhat and Nilphamari.

Mintu Paul, a hard-pressed potter, said that after the Liberation

War (1971), many artisans left the country. Confronted with dipping sales, many in the potter communities are now considering alternative professions.

Statistics bear out Paul's contention. Over the last 30 years, potter families have declined from 150 to 20. Many have migrated to India or taken to alternative professions such as shop-keeping, rickshaw pulling and rowing boats.

Or take the case of Phul Mohammad. Around 15 years ago Phul Mohammad migrated to Dinajpur town from the Khansama village for better prospects. However, his skills as a potter have not been appreciated; today his offspring are in search of more lucrative professions.

Even as demand for high quality earthenware registers an upswing, former potters such as Bhuttu Paul of Biral upazila, Dinajpur says that his community lacks the know how to fashion such products and market them to the urban buyers.



Pottery traders sitting idle at Dinajpur Rail-Bazaar owing to absence of customers.

PHOTO: STAR



The inaugural ceremony of "Touching the Reality", artist Golam Faruque's second solo exhibition, was held at Shilpangan, Dhanmondi, recently. Ahmed Al. Shourbagy, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Arab Republic of Egypt inaugurated the exhibition. Noted artist and chairman of the Department of Drawing and Painting, Faculty of Fine Arts, DU Farida Zaman was the special guest. A.Z.M. Saifuddin, chief executive officer, Paper Rhyme delivered the welcome speech. The exhibition is on till April 26.

## Kambakkht Ishq to premiere at Cannes film festival

Sajid Nadiawala's much-awaited "Kambakkht Ishq" is all set to be officially premiered at Cannes film festival on May 15.

Actors Akshay Kumar, Kareena Kapoor as well as Hollywood stars, Sylvester Stallone, Brandon Routh and Denise Richards are likely to show up.

Since the release of the film is uncertain due to the ongoing multiplex strike, screening the movie in Cannes festival seems to be a good idea.

Rumour mills suggest that the makers of the film are planning to cut down the running time of the film and dub it in English for a proper release.

Considering the success of Slumdog Millionaire, Sajid is apparently targeting the international audiences more. An astronomical amount of prints are also going to get released all over the globe.

Source: Internet



'Kambakkht Ishq' is a romantic comedy about an Indian stuntman who takes Hollywood by storm but cannot find true love.



### News Bulletin

**BTv**  
News Headlines (Bangla) at 9:00 am.  
News (Bangla) at 8:00 am 2:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 8:00 pm.  
News (English) at 10:00am, 4:00 pm, 10:00 pm.  
Late Night News (Bangla and English) 11:30 pm. (To be telecast on all Bangla channels).  
**CHANNEL-1**  
News (Bangla): 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 2:00 pm, 9:00 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:30 am  
Jonopad-er Khobor: 5:15 pm  
**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: 7:00am, 11:00am, 12:00pm, 01:00pm, 3:00pm, 04:00pm  
News (English): 9:00 am, 6:00 pm.  
Gram-Ganjor Khobor: 5:00 pm  
**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): 9:00am, 11:00 am, 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, English Bulletin: 1:30pm, 7:30pm  
**RADIO TODAY**  
News: 08:45 am, 01:45pm, 06:45pm, 09:45pm, 11:45pm

All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the programme.

## On Air

### BTv

08:45 Pakhikh Barta  
09:00 Talk Show  
09:30 Shashoto Shur  
10:00 Open University  
10:30 Golpo Theke Natok  
11:20 Desher Gaan  
11:30 Ei Prithibi  
12:10 Educational Programme  
12:30 Maa O Shishur Katha  
01:00 Desh O Bigyan  
01:30 Mati O Manush  
02:15 Mukti Pathay  
02:40 Children's Programme  
03:30 Shukhi Poribar  
04:05 Uddhid O Jibon  
04:30 Tagore Song: Geet Bitaan  
05:05 Mon-er Katha  
05:30 Agricultural Programme  
06:15 Quiz Quiz  
06:45 Shondha Maloti  
07:15 Pathay Probashay  
08:35 Drama Serial: Gaath-er Katha  
09:10 Drama Serial: Shadharon Golpo

### ATN BANGLA

08:15 Aker Shangbad Potro  
08:30 Drama Serial: Shoa Paanch Arai Lane  
09:15 Asian City Vision 2020  
10:30 Hello Bangladesh  
11:15 Drama Serial: Shadakaio Mon  
11:25 Musical Programme: ATN Music  
12:15 Shomali Shadakaio  
02:35 Selected Programme  
03:15 Drama Serial: O Amar Chokhkhhu Nai  
03:45 Openy Bioscope  
04:20 Agricultural Programme: Shomali Mon  
05:10 Game Show: Onnonya  
05:35 Obiraam Bangladesh  
06:20 Talk Show: Katha Mala  
06:45 Kaandey Amaar Ma  
08:00 Drama Serial: Baaksho  
08:40 Drama Serial: Nodir Naam Nayanara  
09:20 Drama Serial: Joyotsna Kaal  
11:30 Chhoto Chhoto Kosto  
12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

### CHANNEL i

09:30 Shangbaadpotrey Bangladesh  
09:45 Public Reaction  
09:50 Grameenphone Tritio Matra  
11:05 BBC Bangladesh Shangleap  
12:30 Talk Show: Citycell Taroka Katha  
01:05 Ebon Cinema Gaan  
01:30 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma  
02:30 Hridoyer Gaan  
03:05 i Sports  
03:30 Boi Ebon Boi  
03:50 Aloye Bhubaan Bhora  
04:30 Musical Programme: Saangeetmala  
05:30 Multijudhyo Protilin  
06:00 Talk Show: Khola Akash  
06:20 Business Show  
07:50 Channel i Abritti Chhonge Chhonge  
09:35 Drama Serial: Shob Kichhu Bhengey Porey

### 04:30

Shanghoti  
Sports Plus  
Binodon-er Bishwa  
Talk Show: O Bondhu Amar  
Drama Serial: Akey Shunyo Dash  
Drama Serial: Toimtom  
Golpo Sholpo Gaan  
Financial Bulletin  
Ekush-er Raat  
Aker Shokaal  
Drama Serial: Bari Bari Shari Shari  
Chhobir Naam  
Drama Serial: House Full  
Musical Programme: Kichhu Katha Kichhu Gaan  
El Shomoy  
Japan Video Topic  
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Music Jam

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### 09:30

Reporter's Eye  
Sports Vision  
Amar Ami  
Visa Apnaar Agami  
Din Bodoler Manush  
Drama Serial: Mama Bhagney  
Drama Serial: Jogphol  
Citycell Din-er Sheshey  
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### 11:10

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### 03:00

Paathshala  
Chena Ochen  
Comedy Serial  
Nithua Pathar  
Shorol Path  
News Hour  
Drama Serial: Gao Geramer Manush  
Dokhin Haowa  
Desh Mohadesh  
Diganto Prime Time  
Diganto Shangleap

### 08:00

Paathshala  
Chena Ochen  
Comedy Serial  
Nithua Pathar  
Shorol Path  
News Hour  
Drama Serial: Gao Geramer Manush  
Dokhin Haowa  
Desh Mohadesh  
Diganto Prime Time  
Diganto Shangleap

### 12:00

Paathshala  
Chena Ochen  
Comedy Serial  
Nithua Pathar  
Shorol Path  
News Hour  
Drama Serial: Gao Geramer Manush  
Dokhin Haowa  
Desh Mohadesh  
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Diganto Shangleap

### 06:45

Sport Today  
World News Today  
BBC World News  
HARDtalk (r)  
BBC World News  
BBC World News Inside Sport (r)  
World News Today  
BBC World News  
World Business Report  
Sport Today  
White Fang  
Phantoms  
New Police Story  
Scoop  
Breaking And Entering  
Pride  
Chaos  
Double Impact

### STAR MOVIES

White Fang  
Phantoms  
New Police Story  
Scoop  
Breaking And Entering  
Pride  
Chaos  
Double Impact  
Friends  
According To Jim  
My Name Is Earl  
Hope & Faith  
My Wife And Kids  
Are You Smarter Than A 5th Grader?  
Beauty & The Geek  
Reaper  
The Ellen Degeneres Show  
Desperate Housewives  
Ugly Betty  
Hope & Faith  
My Wife And Kids  
Are You Smarter Than A 5th Grader?  
Friends  
According To Jim  
My Name Is Earl  
Beauty & The Geek  
Heroes  
Most Daring

### HBO

Earthstorm  
Hollywood One On One 36  
The Thirteenth Floor  
Excess Baggage  
Basilisk  
The Patriot  
Hollow Man  
The Invasion  
Hell Boats  
Alex And Emma  
Big Business  
Lords of Dogtown  
A Simple Twist of Fate  
Bruce Almighty  
Holes  
The Whole Ten Yards

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Hell Boats  
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Big Business  
Lords of Dogtown  
A Simple Twist of Fate  
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**Nair**  
On Rtv at 10:00 pm  
Drama Serial  
Cast: Chitraklekha Guho, Shahed

