

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Photography Exhibition
Title: 3rd Annual Photography Exhibition
Organiser: Dhaka University Photographic Society



Dance Festival
Featuring Classical and contemporary dance
Organiser: Srihti Cultural Centre



Solo Photography Exhibition
Title: Symphony of Nature
Photographer: Khan Rezaul Hoq Bulbul



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

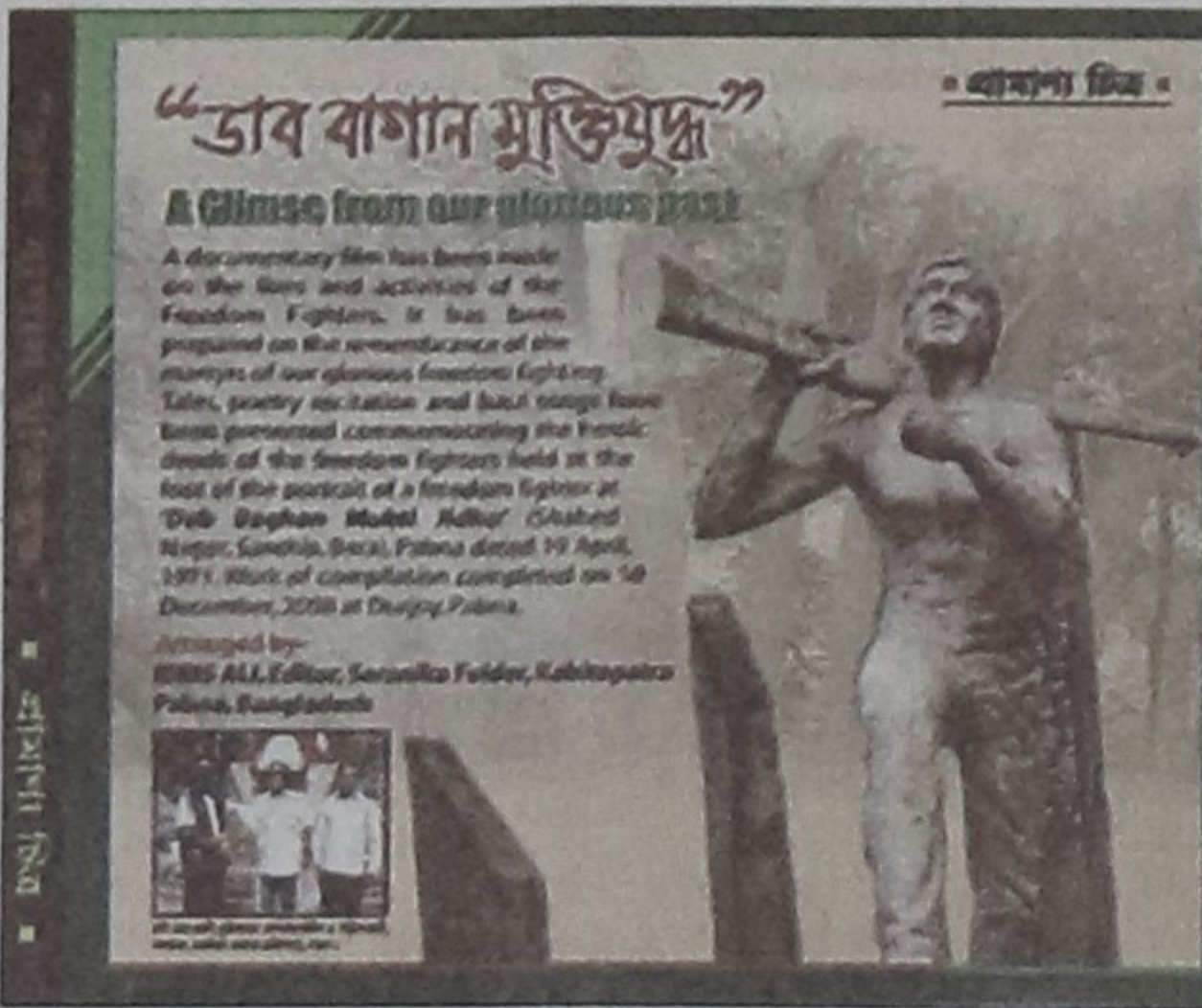


HOMAGE TO THE MARTYRS

Daab-Bagan massacre recalled in Pabna

AHMED HUMAYUN KABIR TOPU, Pabna

'Folder Kobita Patra,' a literary magazine of Pabna, recently launched a documentary video CD of the history of Daab-Bagan massacre.



Cover jacket of the video CD.

As in previous years, a programme was organised at the Daab-Bagan premises on April 19, to pay homage to the martyrs.

Earlier, a discussion was held. Valiant Freedom Fighter Mohammad Monjur Elahi chaired the discussion.

mayor Mohammad Abdul Baten; Santhia Upazila Parishad chairman, Nizam Uddin and Sujanagar Upazila Parishad chairman, Ahmed Firoz Kabir and local leaders.

The speakers said that the spirit of the Liberation War should be kept alive. They also demanded the trial of the war criminals and called for an authentic presentation of the Liberation War.

said the speakers. In the film, locals and the Freedom Fighters describe the Daab-Bagan war, which remains etched in the memory of the residents of Santhia and Bera upazila.

The documentary shows that with the help of local collaborators, the Pakistan occupation army attacked the village of Shahidnagar on April 19, 1971. The Freedom Fighters put up a strong resistance to the occupation force, prompting a fierce battle at the spot beside the Dhaka-Pabna highway at noon.

retreat, but numerous Freedom Fighters were martyred on the battlefield.

In retaliation, the occupation troops reinforced their military forces and launched an attack on the Freedom Fighters and the villagers the same night. They also brutalised the locals, burnt houses and killed people mercilessly.

This is the first time that a visual story of the freedom struggle has been launched in Pabna through private initiative. The key man of 'Folder Kobita Patra', Mohammad Idris Ali, said that he had undertaken this endeavour so that the new generation could be acquainted with the history of the freedom struggle.

"We are very proud of our valiant Freedom Fighters. The younger generation is not very knowledgeable about the role of these brave men and women. Through this video CD I have tried to present an authentic picture of the struggle for freedom. Such documentaries must be undertaken on a larger scale," said Mohammad Idris Ali.

Baishakhi mela held in Jhenidah



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Customers have a range of choices at the Baishakhi fair.

AZIBOR RAHMAN, Jhenidah

A 10-day Baishakhi mela to celebrate Pahela Boishakh 1416 concluded recently in Jhenidah. The mela was organised by Kaliganj upazila chairman Anwarul Anar.

The event was inaugurated by chief guest Abdul Mannan, AL lawmaker Jhenidah-4 constituency while Kaliganj upazila chairman, Anwarul Azim Anar; acting UNO Anjumanara Begum; OC Mehedi Hasan were present as special guests.

Around 90 stalls displayed their wares at the fairranging from cosmetics to

blankets, earthen pots, sweetmeats and handicrafts. Besides this, ferris wheels-- Nagordola, a magic show, and a blood test camp were also held.

Thousands of enthusiastic visitors milled around the event late up to the night to watch the cultural shows. The first day of the fair saw a cultural show performed by the local Shilpakala Academy. On the second day, Hindol Academy put up a cultural show. Jatra pala 'Nosimon' was staged on the third and fourth day respectively. The last day was a music competition and band show.

An owner of a blanket stall, Ramjan Ali, said, "My family and I come here every year and set up a stall. We get handsome profits by selling blankets."

Convener, Shahabuddin Khokon and commissioner of Kaliganj pourashabha said, "The mela is an annual event and is observed peacefully. People of diverse backgrounds throng to the fair and are very enthusiastic as there is no other form of recreation here."

Poetry book launched in Dinajpur

KONGKON KARMAKER, Dinajpur

'Aka Thakar Akangsho', a book of poetry by Azad Kalam, was unveiled recently at Naborupee in Dinajpur. The book was published at the Ekushey Book Fair in Dhaka this year.

Mohammad Abu Bakkar Siddique, a noted poet of Bangladesh, was chief guest while eminent poet of Dinajpur, Muhammad Amjad Ali launched the book.

The event followed a discussion presided over by Kazi Borhan, eminent dramatist of Dinajpur.



Popular singer Fahmida Nabi's ninth solo album titled "Swapno Galpo" was launched recently by Laser Vision. Noted filmmaker Tareque Masud unveiled the cover of the album at the launching ceremony at Bengal Shilpalay. Actor Monir Khan Shimul, photographer Chanchal Mahmud, and Arifur Rahman, chairman of Laser Vision among others were also present at the event. Composed by Tomal, the songs of "Swapno Galpo" are written by Golam Morshed and Ahsan Kabir.



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

On Air

News Bulletin
BTW
News Headlines (Bangla) at 9:00 am.
News (Bangla) at 8:00 am 2:00 pm. 5:00 pm 8:00 pm.

BTW
08:20 Selected Programme
09:30 Shashoto Shur
10:05 Open University
10:30 Musical Programme

11:05 Tele Prescription
11:30 Agricultural Programme: Hridoye Mati O Manush
12:30 Talk Show: Citycell Taroka Kalhan

08:15 Drama Serial: Bari Bari Shari Shari
09:30 Super Hero Super Heroine
09:45 Tomaader Pelo Bangladesh

06:30 Musical Programme: The Total Music
08:30 Drama Serial: Tuntuni Villa
09:30 Drama Serial: Lolita

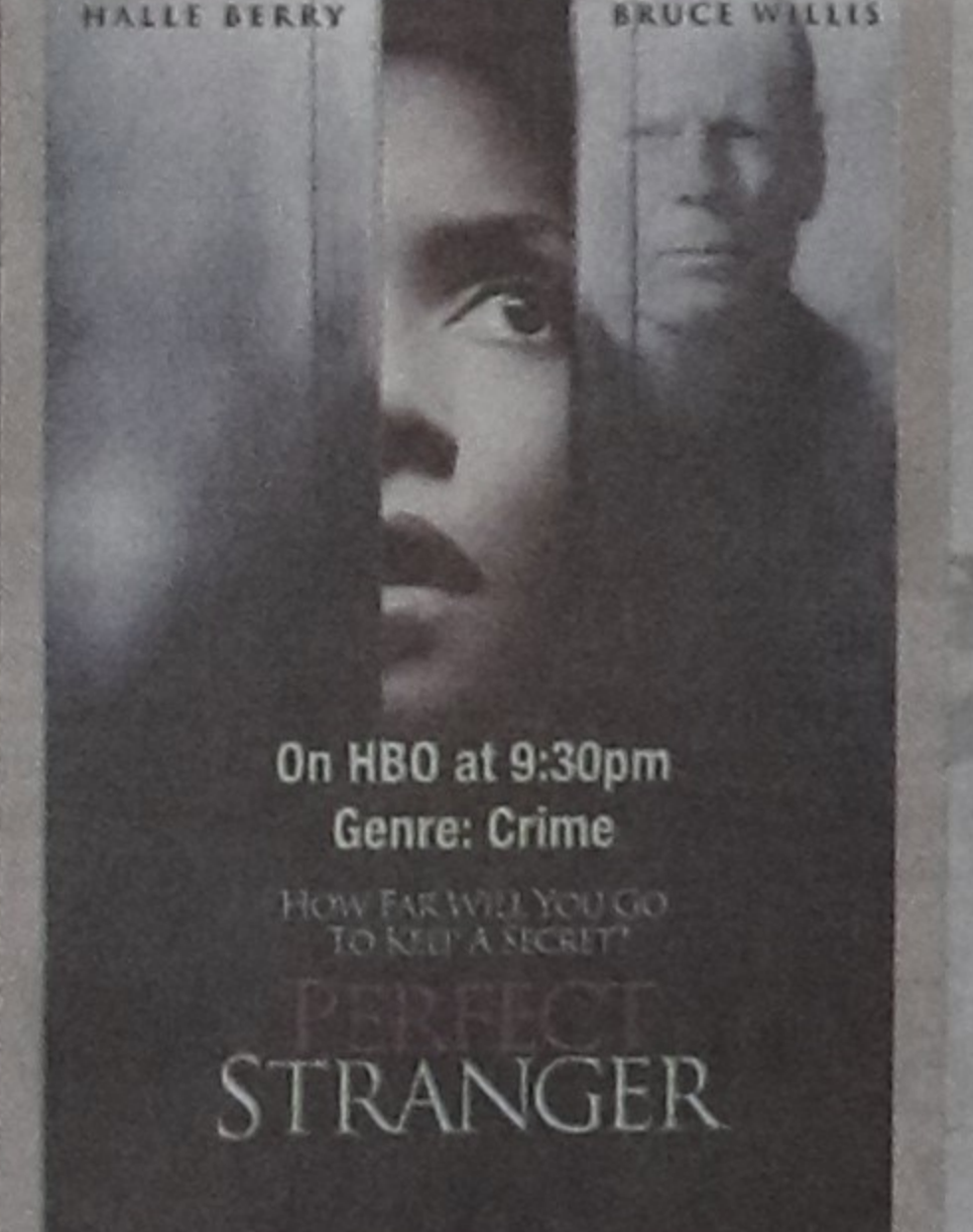
09:50 Drama Serial: Neel Nirjoney
11:00 Trade Talk
12:00 News Cafe
DESH TV
09:02 Patrika Protidin

04:00 BBC World News
04:30 Talking Movies (r)
05:00 BBC World News (r)
05:30 India Business Report (r)



Shakin Sharishuri On Channel i at 7:50pm Drama Serial Cast: Masum Aziz, Mosharrar Karim

abc radio 89.2 FM
09:00 Mukhoro Jiboney
12:00 Duran Dupurey



On HBO at 9:30pm Genre: Crime
HOW FAR WOULD YOU GO TO KEEP A SECRET?
STRANGER

STAR MOVIES
08:50 Reign Of Fire
10:55 Super Troopers
12:50 Delta Farce

ntv
08:55 Bangla Feature Film
12:10 Talk Show
12:30 Japan Video Top/c

09:45 Mega Serial: The Family
11:25 Jonotaar Mukhomukhi
12:10 Shangbad Protidin

Rtv
09:00 Jegey Achho Ki
10:03 Drama Serial: Apon Ghorey Porobash

09:30 HARDlaik (r)
10:00 BBC World News
10:30 Fast Track

09:00 Stardust
11:30 The Adventures Of Elmo In Grouchland
01:30 Screemers