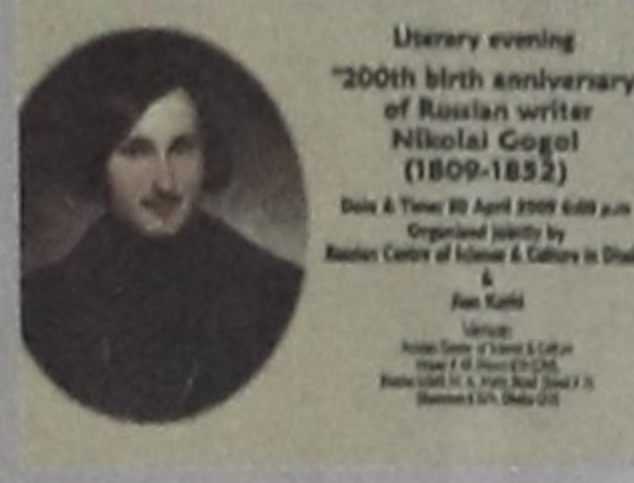


WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Int'l Dance Day Celebration
Organiser: Nriyanchal
Venue: Shishu Academy Auditorium
Date: April 29
Time: 7pm



Literary Evening
To mark 200th birth anniversary of writer Nikolai Gogol
Organiser: Russian Centre of Science and Culture
Venue: RCSC, H 510, Rd 7, Dhanmondi
Date: April 30
Time: 6pm



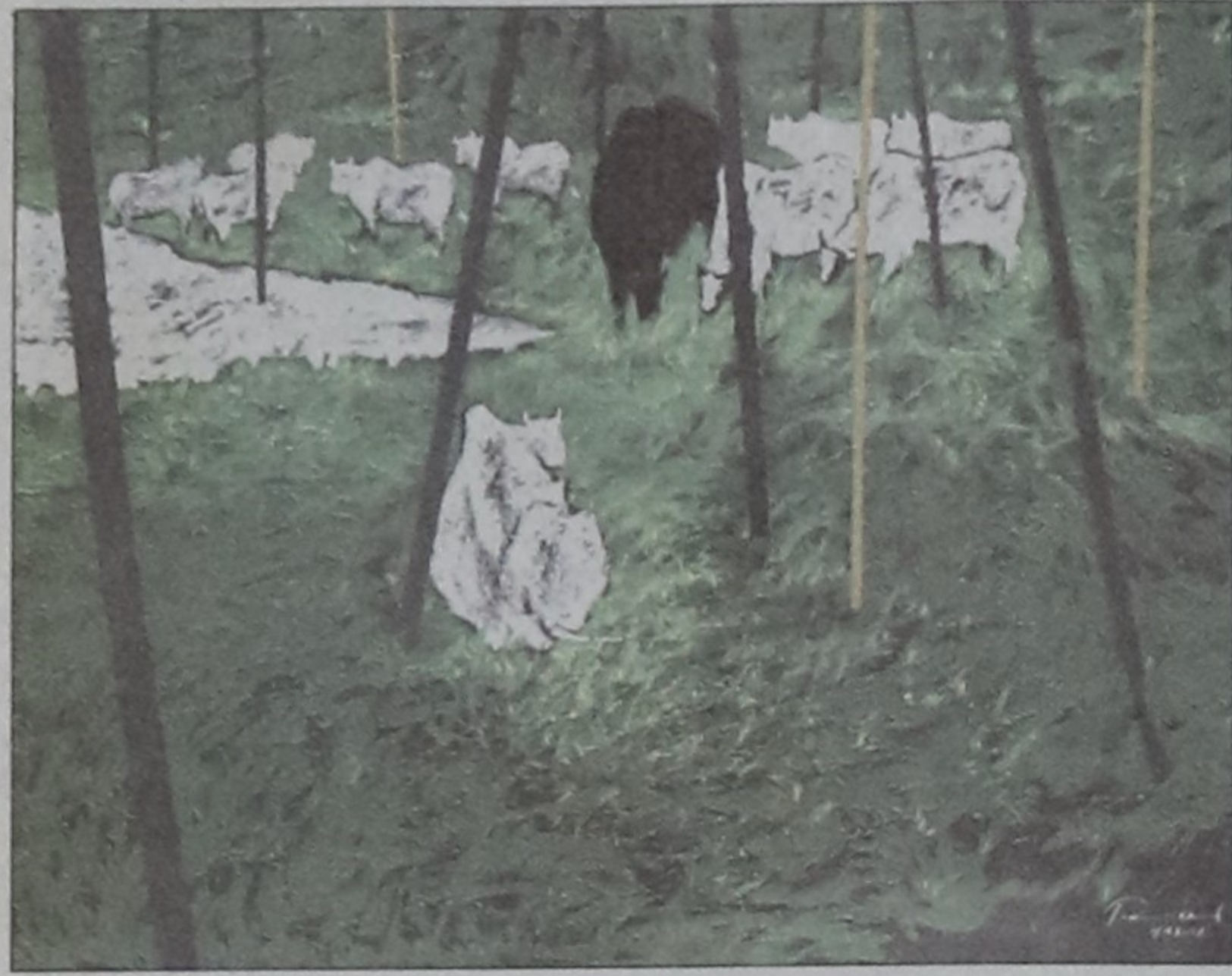
Solo Photography Exhibition
Title: Symphony of Nature
Photographer: Khan Rezau Hoq Bulbul
Venue: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, H 275/F, R 27 (old), Dhanmondi
Date: April 24-30
Time: 12-8pm



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



Russell's experiments on uneven surface



Cattle and Nature-1

TAKIR HOSSAIN

Rashed Kamal Russell emerged as a painter in the '90s -- experimenting with innovative themes and techniques. Some of these techniques successfully infused a new look in his works and thus embarked on a novel journey.

Russell, considered one of our bright young figurative painters, has a passion for portraying lonesome, hazy forms, often 'delving' into melancholy. He believes that we are all part of the society, but some of us closely observe the society with intense passion.

It seems Russell's subjects soak up the torment, woes and unfulfilled dreams that are an integral part of our daily lives.

The forms are often lanky -- sign of a hard knock life. The figures subtly hint at the many untold stories that lurk in our surroundings. Sometimes Russell revisits the world of greenery, enjoying the serene ambiance.

As an experimental painter, Russell concentrates on the consistency of colours, uneven textures and striking forms. For their unique application on the canvas, the colours come across as murky and the forms at times seem scattered. Russell likes to work on big canvases. This orients him towards work that can simply be categorised as ardent and courageous. By using large canvases, he can enjoy a freedom that enables him to unlock his imagination. His brush



Blue Lady

strokes create a rough surface on the canvas, quite like ploughing the land with his forms.

At his ongoing solo exhibition -- "Lyrical Lines" -- at Alliance Francaise de Dhaka, Russell demonstrates his great eagerness to draw. He uses white fluids (used in erasing text) as the basic element in most of the works. This liquid element assists him in creating a flamboyant look.

With his previous exhibitions, Russell has fascinated art lovers with his tranquil watercolours. He can effortlessly invoke a translucent mood with his watercolours. For a large part of his study period, the artist concentrated exclusively on watercolours.

The exhibition ends on April 30.

From father to son

Nurul Alam and Shawjeeb keeping traditions alive

SYEDA SHAMIN MORTADA

Images of modernism, splendor, peace, love, and spirituality usually come to mind when contemplating Bengali songs. Nurul Alam Lal is among those who take a keen interest in the history and heritage of Bengali music and culture.

Lal embarked on his musical career at the tender age of five. He is an accomplished 'Gano Sangeet' artiste, and a popular performer on radio. Other credits include inspiring freedom fighters during the Liberation War with his music, delivering moving renditions of Nazrul Sangeet and 'Adhunik' songs on BT and working as the cultural secretary of Udichi in the '80s. That's not all. He also set up a cultural organisation called 'Sangeeta' in New York and later Canada when he settled overseas. His mission? To give a boost to Bangladeshi culture amongst the NRs.

As a dedicated artiste he has managed to mould not only his two sons, who have emerged as brilliant musicians, but also young Bengali expatriates.

Lal's musical talent has been transmitted from father to son. Tanveer Alam Shawjeeb, Lal's eldest son, is considered a versatile and accomplished musician-singer. It is evident that music runs in the blood. Shawjeeb followed in his father's footsteps and began singing at the age of four. He has been a "Notun Kuri" prize-winner. Shawjeeb performed on BT as a child artiste, took music lessons at BAFA, and majored in Nazrul Sangeet. He has a Bachelor's degree in Sound Engineering from Toronto Film School in Canada and has a deep-rooted passion for folk, Nazrul and Adhunik songs. As a singer, songwriter and composer, Shawjeeb has worked with renowned musicians from our country and beyond, and has a number of solos and albums to his name. A track in the album

"Urban Turban" by a fusion group called Tasa in Toronto and the album "Mon Uchator" (featuring Nazrul Sangeet), are some of his memorable works.

Discussing their life abroad, the father and son duo said that the younger generations among the NR communities are not well acquainted with Bangladeshi traditions and cultural practices. Parents have an important part to play in this regard. They ought to take more initiatives to teach their children our history and legacy. Young Bengalis abroad should be proud of their roots. Area-based reputable academies with skilled teachers are also much needed. Exposure and promotion of Bangladeshi culture abroad is also significant.

It is only by hearing and seeing them perform that one realises this artiste duo's profound dedication and commitment to keeping their traditions alive.

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Nurul Alam Lal (left) and his son Tanveer Alam Shawjeeb recently performed at a musical soiree at Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy.

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 Barfa
- 09:00 Talk Show
- 09:30 Shashoto Shur
- 10:00 Open University
- 10:30 Golpo Theke Natak
- 11:20 Desher Gaan
- 11:30 Oi Tizyer Chalchitro
- 12:10 Educational Programme
- 12:30 Maa O Shishur Katha
- 01:00 Selected Programme
- 01:30 Mati O Manush
- 02:15 Shotyer Onneshoney
- 02:40 Children's Programme
- 03:05 Cartoon
- 03:30 Football
- 05:30 Agricultural Programme: Krishi Diba Nishi
- 06:00 Football
- 07:25 Pathay Probashay
- 07:45 Documentary Programme
- 08:35 Drama Serial: Gaath-er Katha
- 09:10 Drama Serial: Shadharon Golpo
- 10:30 Musical Programme: Shur-er Murchhona

ATN BANGLA

- 08:15 Aiker Shangbad Potro
- 08:30 Drama Serial: Shoa Paanch Arai Lane
- 09:15 Asian City Vision 2020
- 10:30 Hello Bangladesh
- 11:15 Drama Serial: Shadakalo Mon
- 12:15 Shomali Shadakalo
- 01:25 Musical Programme: ATN Music
- 03:15 Drama Serial: O Amar Chokhkhhu Nai
- 03:45 Aha Ki Anondo
- 04:20 Agricultural Programme: Shomali Mon
- 05:10 Game Show: Onnonya
- 05:35 Documentary Programme: Jobobayu Ponbartan
- 06:20 Talk Show: Katha Mala
- 06:45 Kaandey Amaar Ma
- 08:00 Drama Serial: Baaksho
- 08:40 Kemney Bhuli
- 09:20 Drama Serial: Joyotsna Kaal
- 11:30 Chhoto Chhoto Kosto
- 12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

CHANNEL i

- 09:30 Shangbaadpotrey Bangladesh Public Reaction
- 09:45

RTV

- 09:50 Grameenphone Tritio Matra
- 11:05 BBC Bangladesh Shangleap
- 12:30 Talk Show: Citycell Taroka Kathan
- 01:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan
- 01:30 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma
- 02:30 Hridoyer Gaan
- 03:05 i Sports
- 03:30 Boi Ebong Boi
- 03:50 Aloye Bhubaan Bhora
- 04:30 Musical Programme: Saangeetmala
- 05:30 Muktiudhyo Prolidin
- 06:00 Talk Show: Khola Akash
- 06:20 Business Show
- 07:50 Channel i Abritt Chhongey Chhongey
- 09:35 Drama Serial: Shob Kichhu Bhengey Porey
- 10:00 Western Union Probashi
- 11:30 Drama Serial: Thikana
- 12:00 Grameenphone Aiker Shangbadpotro
- 09:30 Drama Serial: Tomtom
- 10:10 Golpo Sholpo Gaan
- 12:00 Ekush-er Raat
- 08:30 Aiker Shokaal
- 08:55 Drama Serial: Bari Bari Shari Shari
- 09:30 Selected Programme
- 10:05 Drama Serial: House Full
- 11:00 Musical Programme: Kichhu Katha Kichhu Gaan
- 12:10 Ei Shomoy
- 01:05 Japan Video Topic
- 02:30 Drama Serial: Kaachher Manush
- 03:15 Music Jam
- 04:10 Ispahani Janar Achhey Bolar Achhey
- 05:35 Apnaar Jigyasha
- 06:10 Shubho Shondha
- 06:45 Frankly Speaking
- 08:15 Drama Serial: 1920
- 09:45 Drama Serial: Palolik Mon
- 11:35 Talk Show



Joyotsnakaal
On ATN Bangla at 9:20 pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Abul Hayat, Tauquir Ahmed

ETV

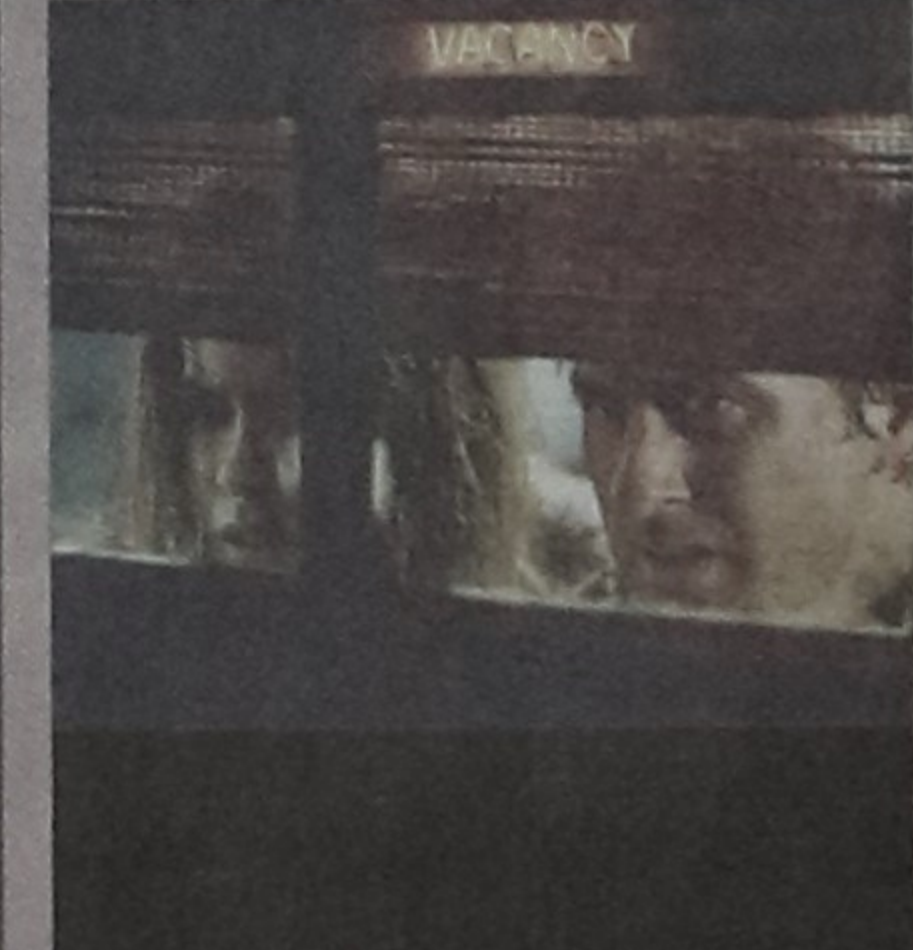
- 08:30 Ekush-er Shokaal
- 09:55 Ekush-er Business
- 02:30 Drama Serial: Tuntuni Bhila
- 03:15 Ekusher Chokh
- 03:30 Cookery Show: Tomi Mianr Recipe
- 04:00 Drama Serial: Lolita
- 04:30 Shomali Shadakalo
- 05:30 Sports Plus
- 06:30 Bindon-er Bishwa
- 07:45 Talk Show: O Bondhu Amar
- 08:30 Drama Serial: Akay Shunyo Dash
- 08:00 Shubho Shokaal
- 08:30 Drama Serial: Bijli Moholla
- 09:00 Mega Serial: The Family
- 09:30 Reporter's Eye
- 10:10 Sports Vision
- 10:35 Amar Ami
- 11:05 Positive Bangladesh
- 11:35 Visa Apnaar Agami
- 12:30 Din Bodoler Manush
- 02:40 Drama Serial: Mama Bhagney
- 03:20 Drama Serial: Rupnagore Konyo
- 06:00 Citycell Din-er Sheshay

BANGLAVISION

- 08:05 Chitro Bichitro
- 08:30 Shindu Hillol
- 09:05 Shobaar Agey Desh
- 12:30 Oporajita
- 01:30 World Round Up
- 03:00 Mukto Dhara
- 03:30 Chena Ochena
- 04:30 Comedy Serial
- 05:30 Aain O Jibon
- 06:30 Shorol Path
- 07:00 News Hour
- 08:05 Dokhina Haowa
- 08:30 Drama Serial: Gao Geramer Manush
- 08:00 World News Today
- 09:00 BBC World News
- 09:30 Asia Business Report
- 09:45 Asia Today (r)
- 10:00 BBC World News
- 10:30 World Business Report
- 11:00 BBC World News
- 11:30 World Business Report
- 12:00 BBC World News
- 12:30 World Business Report
- 12:45 Sport Today
- 01:00 BBC World News
- 01:30 World Business Report
- 01:45 Sport Today



abc radio 89.2 FM
12:00pm Davon Duguray
03:00pm Duranto Biketay
05:00pm Shondhu Tara
07:00pm Shajer Maya
09:00pm Raater Akashay
11:00pm Golper Shesh Ay
Radio Today 88.0 FM
10:00am Morning Express
12:00pm My Time
01:00pm No Tension
04:00pm Dhaka Calling
05:00pm Night Rider
Radio Today 88.0 FM
11:00am Musti Unlimited
01:00pm Today's Adda
04:00pm U Tum
08:00pm Today's Haok
11:00pm Raaf Shor Saan
12:00am Today's Happy Moments



On HBO at 9:30 pm
Genre: Thriller
Cast: Luke Wilson, Kate Beckinsale

- 02:00 BBC World News
- 02:30 HARDtalk (r)
- 03:00 BBC World News
- 04:00 BBC World News
- 04:30 World Business Report
- 04:45 Sport Today
- 05:00 World News Today
- 06:00 BBC World News
- 06:30 World Business Report
- 06:45 Sport Today
- 07:00 World News Today
- 08:00 BBC World News
- 08:30 HARDtalk (r)
- 09:00 BBC World News
- 09:30 BBC World News Inside Sport (r)
- 10:00 World News Today
- 11:00 BBC World News
- 11:30 World Business Report
- 11:45 Sport Today

STAR WORLD

- 08:30 Friends
- 09:30 According To Jim
- 10:00 My Name Is Earl
- 10:30 Hope & Faith
- 11:00 My Wife And Kids
- 11:30 Are You Smarter Than A 5th Grader?
- 12:30 Beauty And The Geek
- 01:30 Reaper
- 02:30 The Ellen Degeneres Show
- 03:30 Desperate Housewives
- 04:30 Ugly Betty
- 05:30 Hope & Faith
- 06:00 My Wife And Kids
- 06:30 Are You Smarter Than A 5th Grader?
- 07:30 Friends
- 08:30 According To Jim
- 09:00 My Name Is Earl
- 09:30 Beauty And The Geek
- 10:30 Heroes
- 11:30 Ghost Hunters

HBO

- 08:15 The Challenge (2003)
- 10:15 Dream For An Insomniac
- 12:00 Hollywood One On One 37
- 12:30 Enough
- 03:45 The Jane Austen Book Club
- 04:45 The Notorious Bettie Page
- 06:15 Zodiac
- 09:30 Vacancy
- 11:15 The Peacemaker
- ZEE STUDIO**
08:30 The Piano Player
10:30 The Motorcycle Diaries
01:10 House Guest
03:30 The Last Shot
05:30 Fast Tracloxa
07:30 Out Cold
09:30 Sweet Home Alabama
11:50 Down and Out in Beverly Hills