

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

**Photography Exhibition**  
Title: 60 Shots  
Organiser: Bangladesh Photographers  
Venue: Chobir-Haat (Opposite to the Faculty of Fine Arts)  
Date: August 13-15



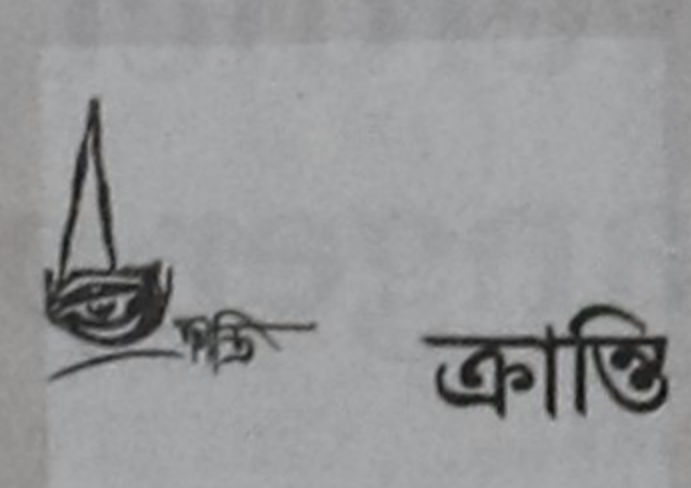
**Solo Woodcut Print Exhibition**  
Title: Kaleidoscopic Complexity  
Artist: Anisuzzaman  
Venue: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, 275/F, Rd 27, Dharmadi  
Date: August 9-22  
Time: 12-8pm



**Selim Al Deen Birth Anniversary Celebration**  
Organiser: Dhaka Theatre & Shilpakala Academy  
Venue: Shilpakala Academy  
Date: August 17-21  
Inauguration: 6pm



**Musical Soiree and Discussion**  
Organiser: Kranti  
Venue: Seminar hall, Central Public Library  
Date: August 13  
Time: 6pm



## Sultan Festival '09 ends

The three-day "Sultan Utsab" (in honour of the late legendary artist SM Sultan) ended in Norail on August 11, says a press release. On the last day of the event prizes were handed amongst the 15 winners of the Children's Art Competition held at the venue. Noted artist Quayyum Chowdhury was the chief guest at the event. Renowned Nazrul artiste Fatema-Tuz-Zohra; director of Bengal Foundation, Luva Nahid Chowdhury; Professor Munshi Md Hafizur Rahman; dramatist Kachi Khondoker and Banglalink's Regional Commercial Head, Babul Haq, among others, were also present at the closing ceremony.

Apart from the prize giving ceremony a seminar was held in memory of SM Sultan. The



Artistes sing at the Sultan Festival.

seminar highlighted the need for promoting SM Sultan's works in the global arena. At the event, former Member of the Parliament, Md Akhlas Uddin Ahmed, politician

Amal Sen and social worker Munshi Waliur Rahman received the "Sultan Smriti Podok."

The festival was jointly organised by SM Sultan Chil-

dren's Fine Arts Foundation and Bengal Foundation. The event marked the 85th birth anniversary of the master artist. The event was sponsored by Banglalink.

## Homage to Tagore in Fairdpur

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Fairdpur

Rabindra Sangeet Sammilan Parishad, Fairdpur unit observed the death anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore at Fairdpur Sahitya O Sangskriti Unnayan Sangstha Auditorium last Sunday evening.

The programme featured discussion, recitation and rendition of Tagore songs.

The discussants were of the view that Tagore remains immortal through his creations that have not only enriched Bengali, but also added a new dimension to global literature.

Professor Abdul Motaleb, president of Rabindra Sangeet Sammilan Parishad, Fairdpur unit, presided over the function.

Among others, Abul Fayeaz Shah Newaz, Abu Sufian Chowdhury, Shaukat Ali Zahid, Ahmed Jalal and Professor Rizvi Zaman spoke at the function.

At the musical session, Advocate Shipra Goswami, Badal Das, Milia Islam, Steve Tourjo Baroi, Osmia Gosh, Sharif Md Sajib, Shib Shankar, Abhishek Shil, Niloy Chakraborty rendered Tagore songs.

Tofazzal Hossain and Rina Anwar recited poems of the Nobel laureate poet.

## Inspiring the indomitable Bengali spirit

Bulbul Islam on Tagore's patriotic songs

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Rabindranath was a versatile genius and his thoughts covered all realms of expression -- literature, art, poetry, painting, music and theatre. But above everything else, a revolutionary music composer emerged, who created his own style of music -- 'Rabindra Sangeet'. Alongside his other creations, Rabindranath's patriotic songs hold a unique position in the history of Bangladesh, especially during the Liberation War.

Noted Tagore singer Bulbul Islam finds several aspects of Tagore's patriotic songs that were instrumental in boosting the morale of a nation at war in 1971. During a conversation with The Daily Star prior to the 68th death anniversary of Tagore, Islam talked about several aspects of Tagore's patriotic songs.

"Personally, I want to consider Tagore as a 'freedom fighter' as his songs had immense influence on our nation during the war," said Islam.

It was after the 1961 ban on Tagore songs by the then Pakistan government that people used the Nobel laureate poet's songs in a greater way to resist the tyranny. "This created a special space in peoples' hearts for Tagore's songs," Islam said.

There are several Tagore songs, which were rendered during the war. Apart from "Amar Shonar Bangla," which became our national anthem, "O amar desher mati," "Sharthak janam amar," "Jodi tor dak shuney keu na ashey," "Shonkot-er O bihbolota," "Byartho pran-er aborjona," "Nai nai bhoi hobei hobei joi" and "Aami bhoi korbo na" were frequently sung.

Islam pointed out one notable feature of



Bulbul Islam

Tagore's patriotic songs is that most of these compositions belong to 'baul' genre. "Tagore composed these songs during his stay in Shilaidaha. He was introduced to 'baul' songs there and he used the tunes in his songs aptly. The tune of our national anthem is also based on a 'baul' song, titled 'Ami kothaye pabo tarey,' composed by Gagan Harkara," said Islam.

He added, "Though his patriotic songs are written in simple words and feature uncomplicated compositions, interestingly enough they fulfil the ultimate artistic yearning."

Islam has been working as an organiser and activist to promote Tagore songs over the years. He was the general secretary of Jatiyo Rabindra Sangeet Shammilon Parishad for four years.



PHOTO: MUMIT M  
To mark the death anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore, cultural organisation Panchobhashkor arranged a musical programme at the Ramesh Chandra Dutta Auditorium of Chhayanaut Shanskriti Bhavan on August 11. Tagore signers Laisa Ahmed Lisa, Partho Tanveer Noved and Intiaz Ahmed rendered Rabindranath's songs on monsoon at the programme.

**On Air**

**BTV**  
09:05 Documentary Programme: Phirey Dekha  
10:05 Selected Programme  
10:30 Rupali Pordar Shonar Din-y  
11:00 Apun Bhumi  
12:10 Selected Programme  
12:30 Maa O Shishur Katha  
01:00 Drama Serial: Tumi Robey Chirodin  
02:15 Selected Programme  
03:05 Animation: Ali Baba Chollish Chor  
04:30 Saangeta  
05:05 Sisimpur  
05:35 Ityadi  
06:45 Mukto Shanglap  
07:45 Phirey Dekha  
08:25 Ontorey Ontorey  
09:00 Selected Programme  
10:20 Documentary Programme

**ATN BANGLA**  
08:30 Drama: Jyotsnakaal  
09:15 Asian City Top Spin  
10:30 Hello Bangladesh  
11:10 Bangla Feature Film  
12:30 Talk Chart  
03:10 Shundor Jibon-er Jonyo  
03:40 Debate: BSB Cambrian Youth Parliament  
05:10 Islamic Programme  
06:15 Kathay Kathay Rabindranath  
06:45 Kandey Amar Maa  
08:00 Drama Serial: Batasher Ghar  
08:40 Drama Serial: Daaybondhon  
09:20 Drama Serial: Pashapashi  
11:30 Doll's House

**CHANNEL-i**  
08:05 Tagore Song  
08:30 Shokaal-er Gaan  
08:40 Akker Chaakri  
09:30 Shangbaadpotrey Bangladesh  
09:45 Public Reaction

**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-i  
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-Ganjel 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.

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09:50 Talk Show: Grameenphone Tritomatra  
11:05 Musical Programme: Shur Doria Epaar Opaar  
12:05 Grameenphone Trito Matray Apni  
12:30 Citycell Taroka Kathan  
01:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan  
01:30 Sa Re Ga Ma  
02:30 Tomader Bhulbona  
03:05 Hridoye Mati O Manush-er Daak  
04:10 Mukti Judhyo Protidin  
04:30 Holudia Pakhi  
05:30 Shur Daria Ei Paar Oi Paar  
07:50 Cooking Show  
08:20 Drama: Goriber Kopaley Shanti Nai  
09:35 Drama Serial: Bindu Theke Briyo

**ETV**  
08:30 Ekusher Shokaal  
09:55 Ekushey Business  
02:30 Drama Serial: Hitlu  
03:30 Drama Serial: Ishkool  
04:30 Desh Jurey  
05:30 Sports Plus  
05:45 Ta Na Na  
06:15 Ekush-er Shondha  
07:45 Drama  
09:30 Ekusher Chokh  
10:10 Fashion and Tune  
11:45 Shangkritik Shomachar

**Manush**  
03:10 Drama Serial: Jhut Jhamela  
05:35 Mohilangaan  
06:45 Amaro Gaithey Ichchha Holo  
08:15 Drama Serial: House Full  
09:00 Selected Programme  
11:35 Musical Programme

**BANGLAVISION**  
08:30 Drama Serial: Lucky Thirteen  
09:00 Drama Serial: Rup Nogorer Konya  
10:10 Telepress Business  
11:35 Ebong Classer Bairey  
12:30 Media Bhubaaan  
01:30 Drama Serial: Gulshan Avenue  
02:40 Drama Serial: Mama Bhagney  
03:20 Drama Serial: The Family  
04:10 Good NightRaat  
05:20 Amar Ami  
06:00 Din-er Sheshey  
06:20 Reporters Eye  
06:50 Point of Order  
08:15 Drama Serial: Khoj

**STAR WORLD**  
10:30 Friends  
11:00 Everybody Loves Raymond  
11:30 According To Jim  
12:00 Ghost Hunters International  
01:00 Howie Do It  
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02:30 Criminal Minds  
03:30 The Ellen Degeneres Show  
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01:00 BBC World News  
01:30 World Business Report  
01:45 Sport Today  
02:00 BBC World News  
02:30 HARDtalk (r)  
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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  
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07:00 World News Today  
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09:00 BBC World News  
09:30 Kill Or Cure? (r)  
10:00 World News Today  
11:00 BBC World News  
11:30 World Business Report  
11:45 Sport Today

**ZEE STUDIO**  
09:30 The Perfect Murder  
11:40 He Got Game  
02:45 28 Days  
05:00 Out of Time  
07:25 The Rock  
10:30 Spy Kids 2: The Island of Lost Dreams  
12:45 Legend of the Red Dragon

**STAR MOVIES**  
08:35 The Game Plan  
10:45 Little Voice  
12:40 Spy Kids 3: Game Over  
02:25 Dca: Dead Or Alive  
04:20 Miracle Dogs Too  
05:55 Miracle  
08:30 Juno  
10:30 School For Scoundrels  
12:35 Rogue Assassin

**HBO**  
08:15 PU 239  
11:15 Beyond Loch Ness  
01:00 Evolution  
03:30 Hollywood One On One 52  
04:00 Stepmom  
06:15 The Murder Of Princess Diana  
08:45 Beyond Loch Ness  
10:30 The Bourne Ultimatum  
12:45 I Now Pronounce You Chuck And Larry



**Pashapashi**  
On ATN Bangla at 9:20 pm  
Drama Serial  
Cast: Shahiduzzaman Selim, Sweety

**abc radio FM 88.2**  
06:00am Bhorer Janajaly  
09:30am Mokshinto Jiborey  
12:00pm Duranto Bikaley  
03:00pm Shondha Tara  
07:00pm Shal-er Maya  
09:00pm Raat-er Akashay  
11:00pm Golden Shish Nei  
Radio Fevri 88.2 FM  
07:30am Hello Dhaka  
10:00am Morning Express  
12:30pm No Tension  
04:00pm Dhaka Calling  
09:00pm Full Volume  
11:00pm Back to Back music  
Radio Today 89.6 FM  
07:15am Good Morning Dhaka  
11:00am Musi Unstilled  
01:00pm Today's Adia  
04:00pm U Turn  
08:00pm Tabey Tai Hok  
12:00am Today's Happy Moments

