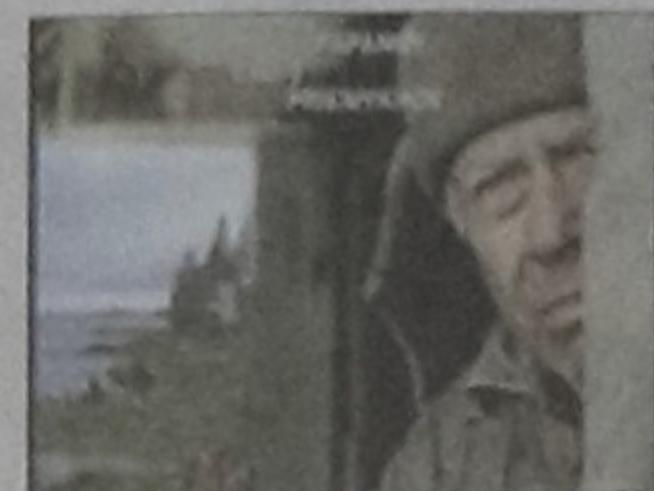


WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Film Screening
Organiser: Dhaka University Film Society and Russian Centre of Science and Culture (RSCC)
Venue: RSCC, H 510, Rd 7, Dhanmondi
Date: August 26-27
Time: 3pm onwards



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



Film Screening
Film: Nest of the Gentry
Filmmaker: Andrei Mikhalkov Konchalovsky
Venue: Russian Centre of Science & Culture, H 510, Rd 7, Dhanmondi
Date: August 23



Photo Workshop and Exhibition
Title: Middle Class Bangladesh
Organiser: Goethe-Institut Bangladesh (GIB)
Venue: Exhibition Hall, GIB, H 10, Rd 9, Dhanmondi
Date: August 22-31



Homage to Nazrul's infatuation with ragas

Musical soiree at Chhayanaut

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Teachers and students of Chhayanaut performed Nazrul's classic compositions on the occasion of the National Poet's 33rd death anniversary (August 29) at Chhayanaut Sanskriti Bhaban Auditorium on August 20.

The artistes started with renditions of ragas, then moved on to Nazrul Sangeet based on the respective ragas.

Bijon Chandra Mistri performed ragas "Tilang" and "Khamaj" while Nabonita Chakraborti and Tanvir Ahmed followed with "E ki ashim piyasha" and "Kuhu kuhu koyelia" respectively.

Ashit dey rendered ragas "Multani" and "Bageshree." Roksona Hussain and Alokananda Shubrata sang "Kar banshori bajey" and "Maago chinmoyee roop-e" respectively.

Priyanka Gope impressed the audience with her rendition of ragas "Miya ki Malhar" and "Tori." Anindita Chowdhury



Artistes render raga-based Nazrul Sangeet at the programme.

and Sharmin Shathi Islam performed "Barsha ei elo Barsha" and "Nayon

mudilo kumodini," based on the ragas respectively.

Anup Barua rendered ragas "Megh" and "Hambir," while Rezaul Karim and Khairul Anam Shakil sang "Gagone shagano chomokichhey" and "Bolona oi shoi" respectively.

Fakir Shahidul Islam performed ragas "Behaag" and "Bhairavi." Sumon Majumdar and Nasima Shaheen rendered "Nishi nijhum ghum" and "Shakhi aar obhiman" respectively.

Rezwan Ali presented ragas "Tilak Kamod" and "Natabehaag" that were followed by two choruses -- "Srijan chhandey anandey" and "Rumjhum rumjhun nupur boley."

Swarup Hussain and Badal Chowdhury assisted the vocalists on tabla.

The programme ended with a rendition of the National Anthem.



Movie Watch

Inglourious Basterds: Tarantino avengers in Nazi movieland

From the moment the charming, smiling, laughing Nazi in "Inglourious Basterds," Quentin Tarantino's latest cinematic happening, sweeps onto the screen, he owns this film even more than its maker. Played by a little-known Austrian actor, Christoph Waltz, Col. Hans Landa is a vision of big-screen National Socialist villainy from the smart cut of his SS coat to the soft gleam of his leather boots.

"Inglourious Basterds," first shown at the Cannes Film Festival in May, is Tarantino's sixth feature. In many respects it looks and, as important, sounds like a typical Tarantino production with its showboating performances, encyclopedic movie references and streams of self-conscious dialogue. The whistling on the soundtrack comes straight from the Sergio Leone catalogue via the composer Ennio Morricone, and the American avenger, Lt. Aldo Raine (Brad Pitt), is a nod to the Hollywood actor Aldo Ray, a sandpaper-voiced 1950s Everyman who often seemed most at ease wearing Army fatigues, as he does in Anthony Mann's 1957 masterpiece "Men in War."

Raine leads a pack of Jewish avengers, the inglorious basters of the misspelled title, who occupy one part of the sprawling narrative and whose numbers include a bat-wielding American nicknamed the Bear Jew (the director Eli Roth,

dreadful). Also elbowing for attention is a young French Jew, Shosanna Dreyfus (Mélanie Laurent), who's running a cinema in Paris under a pseudonym, and a German Army hero, Fredrick Zoller (Daniel Brühl), who dangerously woos her, unaware of her true identity. There's the British film critic turned spy, Lt. Archie Hico (Sylvester Groth). Landa swans in, and a ludicrous plot to kill Hitler is unveiled. The fourth chapter throws in an unrecognisable Rod Taylor as Winston Churchill, a barely recognizable Mike Myers as a British commander and a

five chapters organised around specific bits of business and conversations that increasingly converge. The second introduces the basters while the third brings Shosanna together with her German suitor, who introduces her to Joseph Goebbels (Sylvester Groth). Landa swans in, and a ludicrous plot to kill Hitler is unveiled. The fourth chapter throws in an unrecognisable Rod Taylor as Winston Churchill, a barely recognizable Mike Myers as a British commander and a

named the Jew Hunter, has come looking for hidden prey, a task for which he is, as he explains in a long verbal jag, eminently suitable.

Landa has already guessed there are Jews hiding. Tarantino reveals them in their hiding place, the camera slipping through the floor to show the terrified family members prostrate, their hands over their mouths and eyes wide in fear.

Too often in "Inglourious Basterds" the filmmaking falls short. Tarantino is a great writer and director of individual scenes, though he can have trouble putting those together, a difficulty that has sometimes been obscured by the clever temporal kinks in his earlier work.

Leading with his chin, Brad Pitt gets off some funny lines, particularly when he is pulling his Southern-flavoured vowels out like chewed gum, but the character is too broadly drawn to carry weight.

Cartoon Nazis are not new to the movies, and neither are fascinating fascists, as evidenced by Ralph Fiennes's Oscar-nominated turn in "Schindler's List." Unlike those in "Schindler's List," Tarantino's Nazis exist in an insistently fictional cinematic space where heroes and villains converge amid a welter of movie allusions.



A scene from the film.

is Landa, whose unctuous charm, impeccably modulated by Waltz, gives this unyielding, dragging movie a much-needed periodic jolt.

Tarantino likes to take his sweet time -- he can be a master of the slow windup -- but rarely has one of his movies felt as interminable as this one and its 2 hours 32 minutes. The film is divided into

risible fiction: a suave film critic (Fassbender).

Set against a sweeping stretch of green French countryside in 1941, it opens with a dairy farmer, Perrier LaPadite (Denis Menochet), chopping wood. As his axe looms ominously in the foreground of the shot, he readies himself for some unwelcome German visitors. Colonel Landa, nick-

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

On Air

BTB

08:45 Shokal-er Gaan
09:05 Documentary Programme
09:15 O Amar Desher Mati
10:05 Selected Programme
11:30 Mati O Manush
12:10 Swashtho Jigysa
01:30 Shukhi Ponbaa
02:15 Sisimpur
02:45 Bangla Feature Film
05:35 Selected Programme
06:40 Geeti Malyo
07:15 Phirey Dekha
07:45 Documentary Programme:
Phirey Dekha
08:30 Dance Programme: Tarana
09:00 Drama: Brikhyo Zonera
10:20 Selected Programme

ATN BANGLA

08:15 Ajker Shangbadpotro
08:30 Selected Programme
09:10 Kandey Amar Maa
10:30 Hello Bangladeshi
11:05 Talk Show: Asian City Top Spin
12:15 Musical Programme: Shesh
Okhkhotor
01:30 Documentary Programme:
Amra Tomader Bhulbona
02:40 Bangla Feature Film
05:00 Gramonjer Khobor
06:15 Square Hospital Shushtho
Thakun
06:45 Kaandey Amaar Maa
08:00 Drama Serial: Karo Kono Niti
Nai
01:05 Tomader Bhulbona
02:30 Drama Serial: Bela Bumi
09:20 Drama Serial: Naksha
03:15 Drama
04:25 Gallery
05:35 Alokpat
Shubhoshondha
Shangskrili Ei Shoplaho
06:45 Shangskrili Ei Shoplaho
08:15 Drama Serial: Bari Bari Shari
Shari
09:00 Drama: Mermaid
11:30 Drama Serial: Ei Borshay

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08:05 Rabindra Sangeet
08:30 Shokaler Gaan
08:40 Ajker Chakri
09:30 Shanbadtrey Bangladesh
09:45 Public Reaction
09:50 Grameenphone Trito Matra

11:30 Mukto Khobor
12:30 Naacheey Gaaney Number 1
02:02 Bangla Feature Film
05:30 Sports plus

02:30 Selected Programme
04:05 Mukti Juddho Protidin
04:30 Shotyer Shondhaney
05:30 Talent Hunt: Sur Daria Epaar
Opaar
07:50 Drama Serial: Sakin Sharishun
Hridoye Mati O Manush
10:00 Drama Serial: Nine Months in
Brick Lane
11:30 Drama Serial: Jatraawala
12:00 Grameenphone Ajker
Shangbadpotro

09:45 Drama Serial: Alta Shundori
10:45 Taroka Alap
11:30 Share Update
12:30 Drama Serial: FDC
02:03 Swapno Din-er Gaan

03:00 Drama
05:30 Protidin
12:02 Ekusher Raat

10:02 Deho Ghor
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06:20 Amader Jiboney Ramjan
07:50 Programme on Iftar
09:45 Drama Serial: Rupnogorer
Konya

09:05 Talk Show: Liza Mehedi Amar
Ami
10:45 Daily Soap: Gulshan Avenue
11:25 Tarabili Shanglap
12:10 Shangbad Protidin

12:15 Dur Paath
03:00 Bangla Feature Film
04:00 Desh Janapad
07:45 Desh Topchart

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09:00 Selected Programme
09:45 Events of the Day
11:00 Corporate World

HBO

09:00 Star Trek First Contact
Ami
10:15 Nutty Professor II: The Klumps
01:30 The Spiderwick Chronicles

03:30 Entourage S505: Tree Trippers
04:15 Entourage S506: Redemption

05:00 The Making Of The Heartbreak
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10:30 Rodney
11:30 The Bold And The Beautiful
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01:30 America's Got Talent
02:30 Eureka
03:30 Heroes

05:30 Beauty & The Geek
06:30 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out Of
Here!

08:30 Koffee With Karan
09:30 Kyle XY

10:30 Criminal Minds
11:30 Grey's Anatomy

12:30 Seinfeld

BBC WORLD

08:00 World News Today
09:00 BBC World News

09:30 HARDtalk (r)
10:00 BBC World News

10:30 Nature Inc. (r)
11:00 BBC World News

11:30 Middle East Business Report
12:00 BBC World News

12:30 Click (r)
01:00 BBC World News

01:15 Click
01:30 What Are We Fighting For?

02:00 BBC World News

02:30 Newsnight
03:00 BBC World News

03:10 Age of Terror
04:00 BBC World News

04:30 Our World: The Pirates of
Somalia (r)
05:00 BBC World News

05:30 Middle East Business Report
(r)

06:00 BBC World News

06:30 Dateline London
07:00 BBC World News

07:15 Sport Today
07:30 Cash In Hand

08:00 BBC World News

08:30 My Country: Afghanistan
09:00 BBC World News

09:30 Panorama (r)

10:00 BBC World News

10:30 Final Score</p