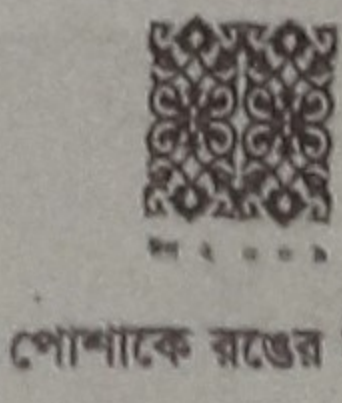


WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Exhibition

Title: Poshakey Ronger
Utshab
Venue: Gallery Nitya
Upahar, Aziz Cooperative
Super Market, Shahbagh
Date: August 28-
September 19
Time: 10am-8pm



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Film Screening

Film: The Big Day
(France)
Filmmaker: Jacques Tati
Venue: Alliance
Francaise de Dhaka, 26,
Mirpur Road, Dhanmondi
Date: September 4
Time: 10:30am & 5pm



Solo Sculpture Exhibition

Sculptor: Mohammad
Atiqul Islam
Venue: Gallery, Asiatic
Society, Nimtoli, Ramna
Date: August 28-
September 6
Time: 2-8pm



Photo Exhibition

Title: Our stories: Middle
Class Bangladesh
Date: August 27-
September 9
Venue: Goethe-Institut
Bangladesh, H 10, Rd 9,
Dhanmondi
Time: 10am-8pm



Delving into all elements of acting

In conversation with Wahida Mallik Jolly

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Wahida Mallik Jolly, an Associate Professor in the Department of Theatre, Dhaka University, is an accomplished actress and a costume designer. After completing her MSS in Social Welfare from Dhaka University, she went to Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata, to study Acting and Costume Designing.

Born in a culturally oriented family, Wahida got deeply involved in cultural activities, especially in theatre and recitation, from her early days in Rajshahi. At present she is a familiar and well-loved face, thanks to numerous TV plays, serials and films, featuring her in major roles.

Recently The Daily Star caught up with the actress and she shared her experiences and views. Excerpts from the interview:

The Daily Star (TDS): What was your first TV play and what role did you play in it?

Wahida: I was enlisted in BTV in 1978. The first TV play that I acted in was "Sukher Nongor" directed by Saidul Anam Tutul. My role was that of a fisherman's wife.

TDS: What are some of the significant plays you've done?

Wahida: "E Ki Jalaton" by



Momtazuddin Ahmed. My co-artists in that play were Asaduzzaman Noor and Subarna Mustafa. I can recall a few more like "Beejmantra," "Pitah Mata Putra O Moumita," "Ilish," "Banner," "Aboho," "Sondhya Lok-er Jatra," "Trinar Galpo" (directed by Selim Al-Deen), "Pragaitihashik" (adaptation of Manik Bandyopadhyay's

short story) and "Strir Patra" (adaptation of Rabindranath Tagore's work).

TDS: Your breakthrough role?

Wahida: In "Beejmantra" directed by Masum Reza, I played the role of a barren woman. In the play, I convince my husband to marry another woman and welcomed my *shotin* to our home

and I treat her well, until she conceives. Then I became envious of her and ultimately try to poison the unborn baby.

TDS: What are some of your popular TV serials?

Wahida: I have acted in a number of TV serials, of which "Rong-er Manush" directed by Salahuddin Lavlu, "Labonya Probha" written by Matia Banu Shuku, "Shankhabash" written by Bipasha Hayat and directed by Tauquair Ahmed, "Cornet" directed by Shahiduzzaman Selim, "Mayur Shinghason" written by Pantha Shahriar and directed by Rulin Rahman, and "Doll's House" by Azad Abul Kalam have attained popularity.

TDS: You are quite active on stage as well...

Wahida: In 1993, I acted in the theatre group 'Drishya Kabya' produced play "Shara Rattir" (directed by Badal Sarker). Besides that I performed in "Hashya-Lashya-Bhashya," written and directed by Professor Momtazuddin Ahmed, "Jonok" produced by Natyachakra, "Manob Kantho" and "Ja Kokto".

TDS: You've also done some films...

Wahida: I've acted in a short film called "Sharat Ekattor," directed by Morshedul Islam. Among feature films, I've done "Lalon," directed by Tanvir

Mokammel, among others.

TDS: Your current projects?

Wahida: I am now busy with a number of TV plays and films. Of them, "Utshab" written by Pantha Shahriar and directed by Rulin Rahman; Taher Shipon's "Diba Ratri Khola Thakey" "Bhut-er Goli" and "E Bhora Bador, Mah Bhador, Shunya Mondir Mor" and Subarna Mustafa directed "Aakash Kushum" are noteworthy. I am acting in the film "Amar Bondhu Rashed," an adaptation of Dr. Muhammad Zafar Iqbal's Liberation War themed story involving some adolescents. Morshedul Islam is directing the film. Besides that, I am acting in two other films titled "Mon Diyechehi Tomakey" and "Bhalobashar Shada Kalo."

TDS: Anything special for Eid?

Wahida: I hardly work on Eid. However, a TV play "Patoki Nakhatra" directed by Sohrab Hussain Dodul is expected to air during the upcoming Eid.

TDS: Do you have any intention to venture into direction?

Wahida: No. I just want to act and teach. I teach Indian Theatre at Dhaka University where direction is a section. I will just continue with that job.

Eid Shombhar on Ekushey TV

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Targeting the coming Eid, a new show "Eid Shombhar" has begun on Ekushey TV. The programme aims at providing a helping hand with the Eid preparations. The show includes special tips on Eid shopping, recipes, decoration and more. A segment of the programme will include interview of a celebrity and his/her views on Eid and other aspects related to the biggest celebration in the country.

"Eid Shombhar," produced by Salman Mahmud, will be aired every evening at 7:45 pm throughout Ramadan.



A scene from the show.

Paula Abdul talks "Idol," dances around rumours

The decision to leave "American Idol" wasn't an easy choice for Paula Abdul, and whether or not it's a permanent one remains to be seen. In a recent interview, the former judge tackled the mixed emotions she felt about her fateful farewell.

"You know, to say 'no regrets' isn't easy," Abdul revealed. "I feel like I have been such a big, huge part of the success of the show from day one. I loved being able to be the artist's artist; being there from my point of view of knowing what it feels like to be vulnerable and to be out there wanting to achieve the most magical moment in a minute and 30 seconds. To be able to do that was an amazing experience and the show was wonderful for me in that regard."



But the "Idol" experience wasn't so wonderful for Abdul when it came to contract negotiations. When her manager and former employers failed to find a figure that could compete with the high-dollar deals Ryan Seacrest and Simon Cowell were said to secure, Abdul announced her departure from the televised talent show. It was a decision

she now puts down to principles, not profits.

"I stand on principle where many people stand on money," Abdul explained. "I'm a hard-working artist. I've lasted in this business for 23 years. And you can't do that unless you are good at what you do. I believe in myself and you have to have your own self-respect."

Given all the "bring-Paula-back" buzz, one has to wonder if there's any chance Abdul could still renegotiate her way to a respectful return to the show. If she knows, she's not saying.

"That's a hard question to answer right now," Abdul told the magazine. "I mean, I don't think I can answer that right now."

Source: Internet



All programmes are in local time.
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On Air

BTV

08:45 Shokaler Gaan
09:05 Documentary Programme: Phirey Dekha
09:35 Dhaka Amar Dhaka
10:05 Open University
10:25 Nabo Anandey Jago
11:30 Quiz Quiz
12:10 Aparajita
12:30 Maa O Shishur Katha
01:30 Hijol Tomaal
02:15 English Debate
03:00 Cartoon: Bananas in Pyjamas
03:30 Shukhi Poribaar
04:05 Sisim phak
04:30 Dolon Chapa
05:05 Sisimpur
05:35 Computer
06:10 Uttoron
06:50 Maahey Ramzan
07:45 Documentary Programme: Phirey Dekha
08:25 Documentary: Aamar Bangladesh
08:30 Drama Serial: Pathar
09:00 Drama serial: Chhai
09:30 Package Programme
10:25 Aajker Bishoy

ATN Bangla

08:15 Aajker Sangbadpatri
08:30 Drama Serial: Shada Kalo Mon
09:20 Drama Serial: Noksha
10:30 Talk Show: Hello Bangladesh
11:15 Talk Show: Asian City Top Spin
12:15 IT Zone
01:25 Musical Programme: Band View
02:30 Islamic Programme
03:15 Drama Serial: Rupali Manush
03:45 Children's Programme
04:35 Islamic Programme on Ramadan
05:00 Gram Gonjer Khobor
05:10 Islamic Programme
06:45 Live Programme on Ramadan
08:00 Travel Show: Rexona
Destination Unlimited
08:40 Drama Serial: Ghar Jamal
09:20 Drama Serial: Jotsnaki
11:30 Talk Show: Talking Point
12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

Channel i

08:05 Tagore Song (Special)

08:30 Shokaal-er Gaan
08:40 Aajker Chaki
09:30 Shangbadpotrey Bangladesh
09:45 Public Reaction
09:50 Grameenphone Trinitomatra
11:05 Sports Time
11:25 Shur Doria Epar Opar
12:30 Citycell Taroka Katha
01:05 Ebong Cinemaa Gaan
01:30 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma
02:30 Apnar Shuswashto
03:05 Channel i Shera Kantho '09
04:15 Muktiyudhyo Protidin
04:30 Ramjanul Mobarak
05:10 Eid Anando
05:40 Mega Serial: Saat Goenda
06:30 Manohar Iftar
07:50 Drama Serial: Tulir Telesmati
08:30 Drama Serial: Sufi
09:30 Drama Serial: Bindu Theke Britto
10:00 Drama Serial: Nine Months in

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08:30 Shasthya Protidin
08:55 Drama Serial: 1920
09:30 Crime Watch
10:05 Drama Serial: House Full
10:30 Jato Modhur Bhulguli
11:30 Glamour World
12:10 Apnar Jiggasha
01:05 Tomader Bhulbona
02:30 Drama Serial: Kachher Manush
03:15 Drama Serial: Jhuth Jhamela
04:10 Quiz Show: Janar Acchey

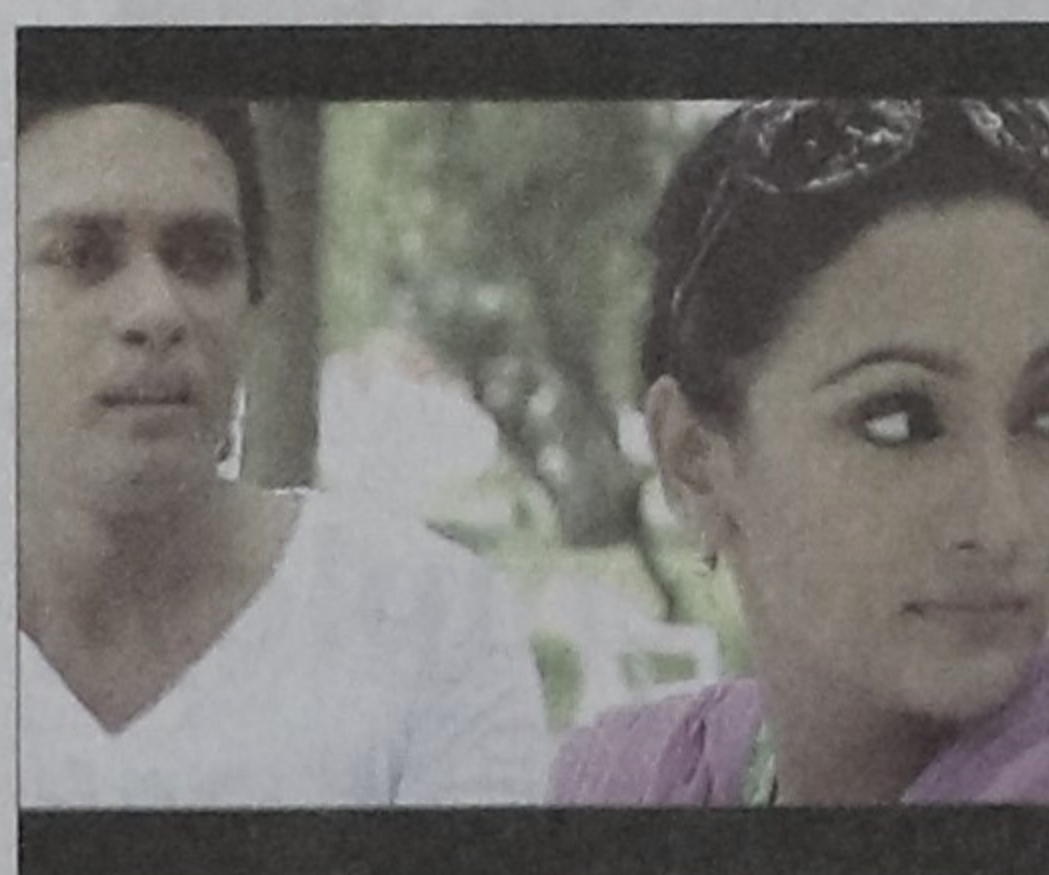
01:30 Mega Serial: Gulshan Avenue
02:30 Bangla Feature Film
05:25 Islamic Programme
06:50 Amader Jiboney Ramjan
08:15 Drama Serial: Megh Bondhu
09:05 Life Style
09:45 Drama Serial: Gulshan Avenue
12:00 Shangaad Protidin

Desh TV

12:15 Dur Path
04:30 Dur-er Janala
05:02 Cartoon
05:30 Baati Ghar
06:02 Ebar Jombey Khela
07:00 Ramjan Protidin
08:15 Drama Serial: Bindu Theke Britto
09:45 Drama Serial: Bindu Theke Britto
10:30 Total Sports
11:45 Talk Show: Shoja Katha

RTV

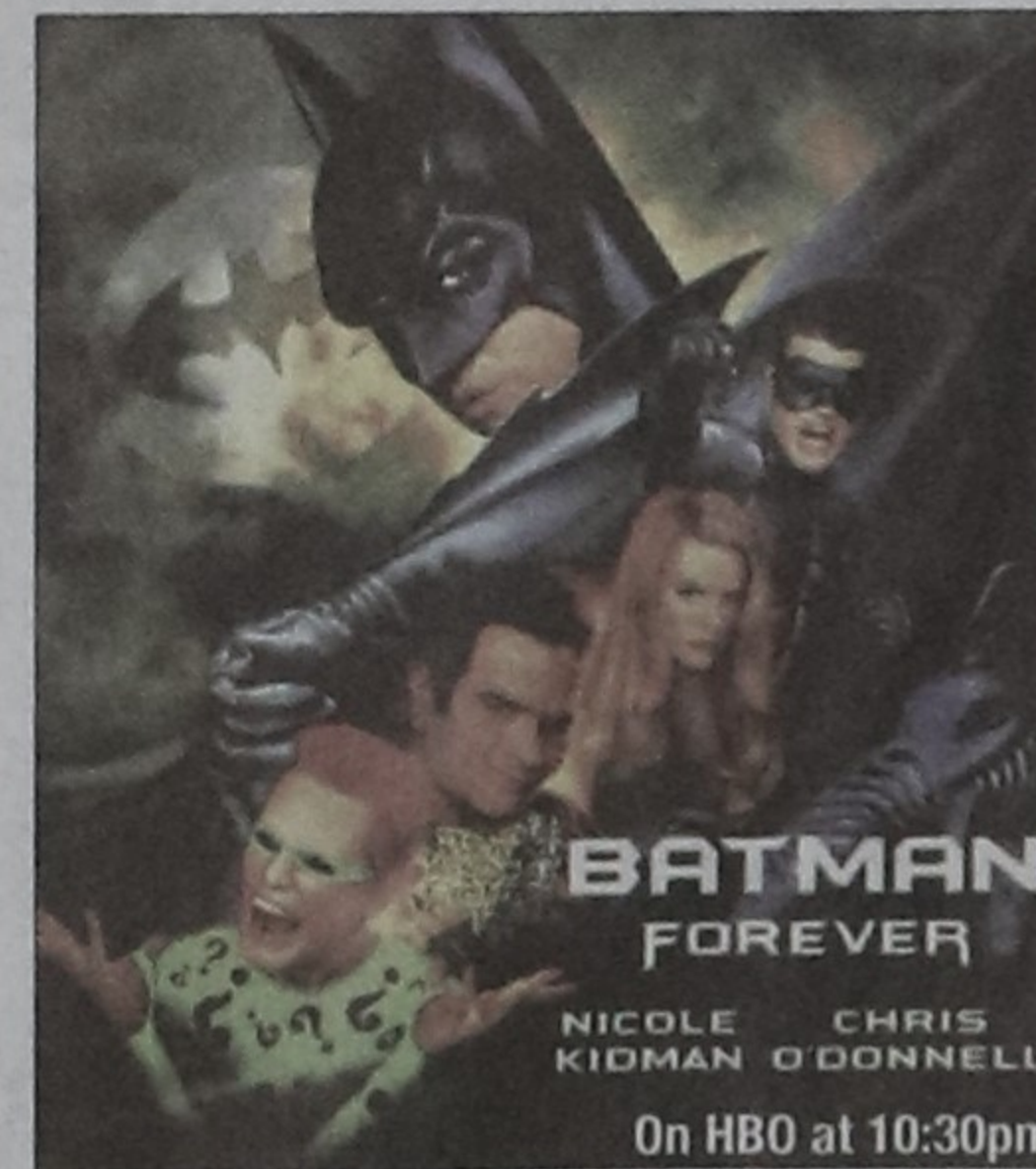
09:00 Very Filmy



Jahur Ali Jahuri
On Ekushey Television at 9:30pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Anisur Rahman Milon, Bindu



abx radio FM 89.2
06:00am Bhorer Janasaly
08:00am Mukhorito Jiboney
12:00pm Darun Dupurey
03:00pm Duranto Bikaley
05:00pm Shonchha Tara
07:00pm Shajer Maya
09:00pm Raat-er Akashhey
11:00pm Galper Shresh Nil
Radio Today 88.0 FM
07:30am Hello Dhaka
10:00am Morning Express
12:00pm No Tension
04:00pm Dhaka Calling
08:30pm Knight Riders
Radio Today 89.6 FM
07:15am Good Morning Dhaka
11:00am Masi Unlimited
01:00pm Today's Adda
04:00pm Urum
08:00pm Tobe Tai Hok
11:00pm Raat Vor Gan
02:00am Back to Back



On HBO at 10:30pm

11:30 Brick Lane
12:00 Drama Serial: Pacific-er Parey
Grameenphone Aajker Shanbadpotro

ETV

06:30 Binodoner Biswa
08:00 Aajker Patrika
10:02 Ekushey Business
12:30 Drama Serial: Johur Ali Johuri
03:15 Family Game Show: Bari Bari Jombey Khela
04:02 Drama Serial: Hitlu
04:30 Desh Jurey Shanglaap

05:30 Bolar Achhey
06:40 Maggy Aajker Iftar
08:40 Hridoye Ramjan
08:15 Siddika Kabir's Recipe
09:00 Kisu Katha Kisu Gaan
09:45 TV Serial: Guide
11:30 Apnar Jiggasha
12:30 Shashthyo Protidin

Banglavisoin

08:30 Drama Serial: Rupnagorer Koinya
09:00 Mega Serial: The Family
11:35 Amar Ami
12:30 Positive Bangladesh

09:45 Drama: Tabuo Bashanta
10:45 Lata Herbal Tarokalap
11:30 Share Update
12:30 Drama Serial: Naor
01:30 Bangla Feature Film
03:00 Bangla Feature Film
05:30 Protidin
06:20 Islamic Programme
07:30 Hamd O Nat
09:25 Jiboney Jibon Ano
11:30 A For Advertising
12:00 Star and Sports

Channel One

08:40 Shuprobhat Bangladesh

02:50 Face Off
06:00 Rabbit Proof Fence
08:15 Anacondas: The Hunt for the Blood Orchid
10:30 The Last Time
12:40 Shine

HBO

10:30 Tmz 051
11:00 First Shot
01:00 Sep '09: HBO Central (SA)
01:30 Walk Hard: The Dawey Cox Story
03:15 The Pelican Brief
06:00 The Break-Up

08:15 Tmz 051
08:45 Hydra
10:30 Batman Forever
01:00 Without a Paddle

STAR WORLD

09:30 Late Show with David Letterman
10:30 Friends
11:00 Everybody Loves Raymond
11:30 According To Jim
12:00 Knight Rider
01:00 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here!
02:00 Friends
02:30 Prison Break
03:30 The Ellen Degeneres Show
04:30 The Bold And The Beautiful
05:00 7th Heaven
06:00 What About Brian
07:00 According To Jim
07:30 90210
08:30 Friends
09:30 Everybody Loves Raymond
10:00 Two And A Half Men
10:30 Howie Do It
11:30 Criminal Minds
12:30 Knight Rider

BBC WORLD

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
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12:30 World Business Report
12:45 Sport Today
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