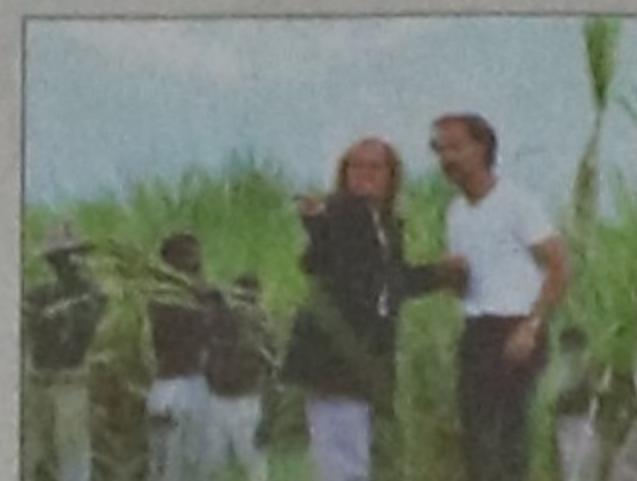


WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Photo Exhibition
On the occasion of 60th birth anniversary of Werner Herzog
Title: Film Must be Physical
Venue: Goethe-Institut, Bangladesh, H 10, Rd 9, Dhanmondi
Date: Sep 16-Oct 8



Solo Painting Exhibition
Artist: Shahabuddin
Venue: Gallery Chitrak, H 21, Rd 4, Dhanmondi
Inauguration: September 18
Time: 6pm



Exhibition
Title: Prakriti: An exclusive hand painted saree exhibition
Venue: Alliance Francaise de Dhaka, 26, Mirpur Road, Dhanmondi
Date: September 14-18
Time: 9am-12pm & 5pm-8:30pm



Photo Exhibition
Images of tourist sites of Moscow and St. Petersburg
Venue: Lobby, Russian Centre of Science & Culture, H 42, Rd 7, Dhanmondi
Date: September 1-30

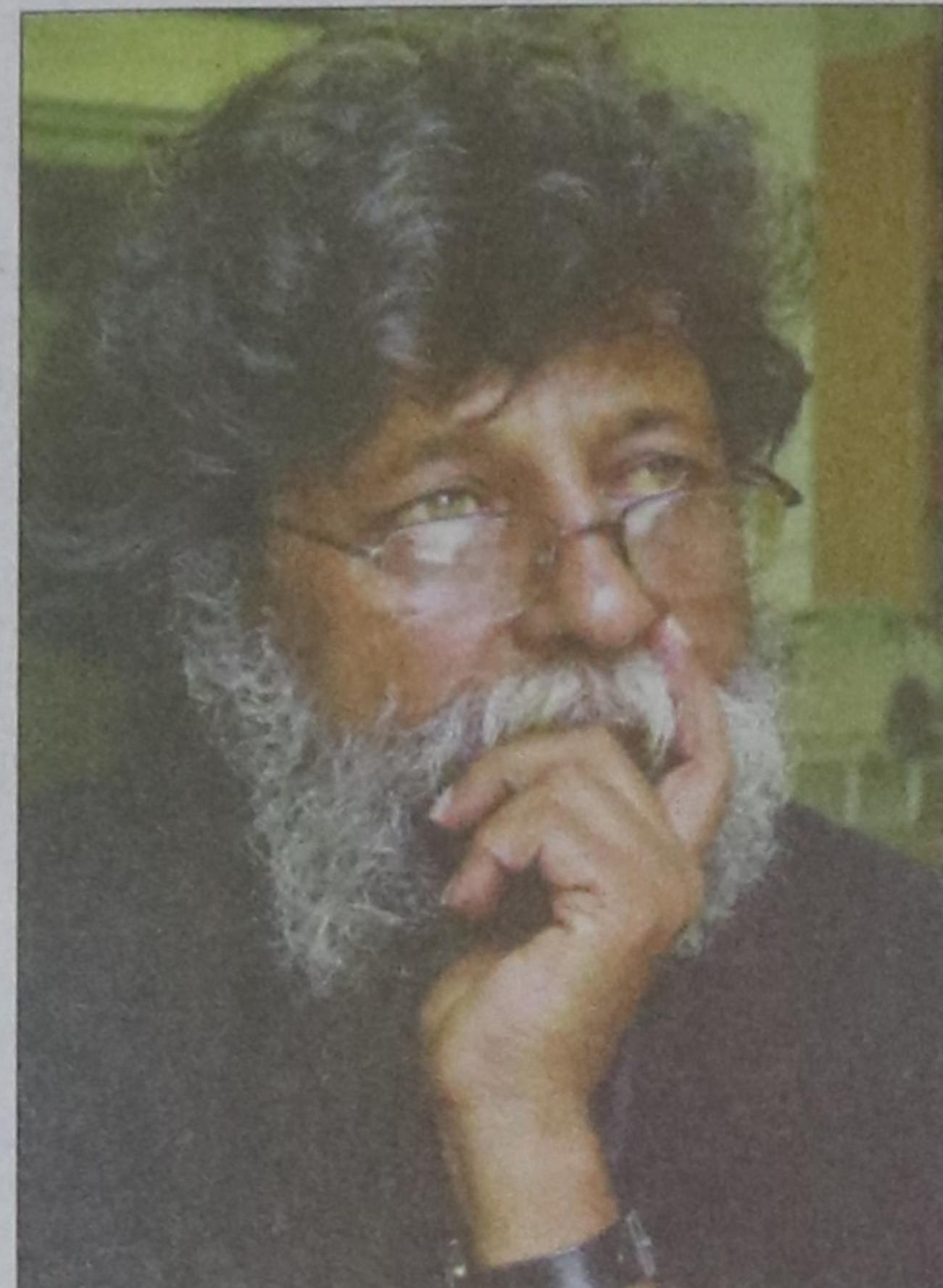


Shankar Shawjal: A dramatist, photographer and lyricist in love with nature

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Shankar Shawjal is a noted media personality, photographer and lyricist. Shawjal grew up in Mothbaria, under Pirojpur district. As a child, he was captivated by the bounties of nature in rural Bengal. "Nature is part and parcel of my life. I have always been fascinated by nature and it gives me bliss. I believe that nature in our country has a unique, incomparable beauty. Each season has an individual aura and a spectrum of colours is visible in our natural world. When I want to express myself, I let nature take over my senses. So, nature is the major inspiration for all of my creative works," said Shawjal.

Shawjal came to Dhaka in 1977. He became involved in varied cultural activities. Theatre, he says, first introduced him to the masses. "I am mainly a man of theatre. My umbilical cord was keenly connected with the medium. I started my career with street plays. During the Ershad regime, I acted in many street plays like 'Maharaj Anuprobash', 'Kiria Pakhir Samachar', 'Circus' and 'Jago Lokkho Noor Hossain'. These plays were written by me and



Shankar Shawjal

received much acclaim. Our next production "My troupe Karok Natya Samprada" is very selective and also believes in social commitments. We staged Shakespeare's 'The Tempest' and German dramatist Fringe Benibet's 'Man Equal Man'.

Shawjal is also a passionate photographer. His photographs are nature-oriented. "When I was in Class VII, I started photography. Photography is my hobby. It's intimately related to my life. When I am very near to nature, nature invites me to hold her. I get a different sound from nature and its silence provokes me extensively," said Shawjal.

Shawjal's lyrics are devoted to spiritualism. His selection of words is commendable. He believes that lyrics should be moving and inspiring. Last year, he received a Citycell-Channel i. Music Award for best lyricist. "Writing songs completely depends on my mood. When my mind is engrossed, nature propels me to write."

Creativity as a tool for education

Fulki holds a meeting

AZIBOR RAHMAN, Jhenidah

Fulki a Jhenidah-based cultural organisation exchanged views with district journalists and local elites on the need to initiate children into artistic and cultural activities including drawing and craftwork. The meeting was held at the Jhenidah Press Club on Monday afternoon.

The meeting focused on the activities of Somonno Shikha-Sangskriti of Fulki.

Nehal Ahmed Sohel, coordinator of Jhenidah district wing, delivered the welcome speech.

Among the speakers were Mirza-Nur-e-Gulshan, (trainer), Mosharrif Hossain Razu (trainer), Kazal Biswas (trainer) and ex-Press Club President M.A Ansari. The meeting was chaired by present Press Club president Alauddin Azad.

Mosharrif Hossain Razu said that Fulki's objective is to sharpen the latent creative talent of children in a relaxed environment.

In a similar vein, Nehal Ahmed, coordinator of this organisation, said that the education of children, the future assets of the country, should be complemented with the development of their creativity. He went on to add that initially they have launched such activity in five institutions in Jhenidah district town: Kanchan Nagar Secondary School, Fazal Ali School, Adarsila Pathshala, Karabi Pre-cadet and Arabpur Pre-cadet School. Besides, this programme runs in nine districts: Chittagong, Dhaka, Tangail, Joypurhat, Khulna, Rangpur, Jhenidah, Faridpur and Rajshahi.

Hyder Husyn's Na Bola Katha released

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Hyder Husyn's latest solo album "Na Bola Katha" was released on September 15 at Sheltech Tower, Panthapath.

After catapulting to success with his first album "Tirish Bochhor Por", the artiste follows the same genre of songs in his new album.

Hyder Husyn has always strived to convey a significant message through his songs and this album is no exception. The album features 11 songs.

"Buddhijibi", "Gonontro", "Mukti joddha", "Swaadhinota", "Hartal", "Bhul", "Bangladesh", "AIDS", "Nesha", "Shustha Jibone Protishruti" and "Bhikkhuk."



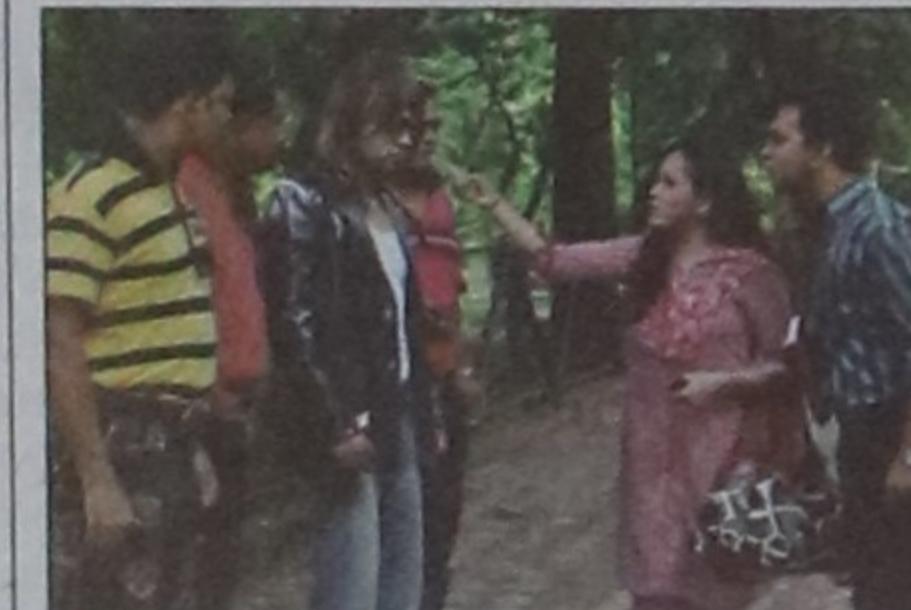
(From left) Dr. Toufiq M. Seraj, Hyder Husyn and Adnan Karim at the album launch.

Sponsored by Sheltech, the album is produced by Rage Records.

Among others, eminent singer Partha Barua, Dr.

Eid special

Hanif Sanket's TV play on ATN Bangla



A scene from the TV play.

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

TV play "Toshamodey Khosh Amodhey" will be aired on Eid-ul-Fitr. The play will be aired on the first day of Eid-ul-Fitr at 8:50pm.

The story of the humorous play circles around two influential individuals of an area who are rivals as well. Both the individuals have their respective assistants. The assistants' main task is to keep their own bosses to do so they always flatter them in different ways. This flattery sometimes leads the bosses to commit unexpected incidents. At the end, the play conveys the message-- good always exceed evil.

Apart from direction, the play is written by Sanket also. A clutch of noted actors including Shahiduzzaman Selim, Zahid Hasan, Tarin, Tania Ahmed, Mir Sabbir, Joy and Chumki perform lead roles in the play.

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

On Air

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08:45	Shokal-er Gaan	04:10	Muktijudhyo Protidin	08:30	Ekusher Shokal
09:05	Documentary Programme	04:30	Islamic Programme	09:55	Ekusher Business
09:35	Joydhopni	05:10	Shur Daria El Paar Oi Paar	02:30	Drama Serial: Hitlu
10:05	Open University	06:30	Monohar Iftar	03:30	Drama Serial: Zahur Ali Zahuri
12:10	Kathar Katha	06:45	Kafela	04:30	Desh Jurey
12:30	Maa O Shishur Katha	07:50	Cookery Show	05:20	Ta Na Na
01:00	Metho Shur	08:20	Drama: Goriber Kopaley Shanti Nai	06:15	Ekush-er Shondha
01:30	Shukhi Poribar	09:35	Drama Serial: Bindu Theke Brityo	06:45	Drama Serial: Rojadar
02:15	Agricultural Programme				
02:45	Amader Orthoniti				
03:05	TV Series: Ali Baba Chollish Chor				
04:05	Special Programme				
06:30	Islamic Programme				
07:45	Documentary Programme				
08:25	Discussion Programme				
09:00	Islamic Programme				

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