

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
Date: September 18-Oct 9
Time: 10am-1pm, 5-8pm



Recital of Khayal

Artist: Robul Hossain
Organiser: High Commission of India and Shadhona
Venue: Cultural Centre, High Commission of India, Gulshan
Date: October 2
Time: 6:30pm



Theatre

Play: Shyama Prem
Troupe: Pranganey Mor
Venue: Mahila Shamiti Auditorium, Nalok Sharan, Bailey Road
Date: October 2
Time: 7pm



Reinventing a Chekhov classic

Nagarik Natya Sampraday stages "Kathal Bagan"



PHOTO: MUMUKSHU

The writer-director has drawn inspiration from Chekhov's "The Cherry Orchard" in depicting social changes in rural Bangladesh.

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Theatre troupe Nagarik Natya Sampraday staged its latest production "Kathal Bagan" at the Experimental Theatre Hall, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy on September 30. The play has been written and directed by seasoned theatre personality Aly Zaker.

As a theatre troupe, Nagarik believes in internationalism. Apart from leading Bengali plays, the troupe has been tagging works of celebrated playwrights from around the world.

Aly Zaker has mentioned that in "Kathal Bagan" there is a high influence of Russian

playwright Anton Chekhov's "The Cherry Orchard". However, he asserted that the play is "neither a translation nor an adaptation" of the Russian play. Rather it is a depiction of a Bengali aristocratic family during a transition.

Zohra and Tasadduq, siblings, have remained estranged from their ancestral estate over the years. After a long break they make a visit to the estate known as 'Kathal Bagan' (jackfruit orchard).

The orchard is not only a symbol of the family's glory, but is also a source of income to many living in the surrounding areas. Ahmed Ali aka Adu is a third generation caretaker of the estate. An

opportunist Adu takes full advantage of his position and accumulates significant amount of wealth -- both in legal and illegal ways -- from the orchard.

Though it apparently seems that the owners are alienated from the orchard, it is later revealed that Tasadduq has often looked after the estate. He takes a mortgage from a bank against the property, which he fails to pay off in due time. As a result, the bank decides to have an auction to sell the property. Adu takes the advantage to own the property.

Zaker has drawn inspiration from Chekhov's drama in depicting social changes in

rural Bengal. He finds similarities between the changes in 19th century Russia -- as narrated by Chekhov -- and the transforming contemporary rural Bangladesh. He has highlighted aspects like urbanisation and industrialisation that are impacting the rural lifestyle.

Discrimination between male and female members of a family has also been portrayed in the play. When Tasadduq makes a big decision on their ancestral property, Zohra is left in the dark. When Zohra wants to be a part of decision-making, Tasadduq replies that according to the law of the country, he is the main owner of the estate. So he does not feel that his sister deserves to be a part of the decision-making process.

Aly Zaker played the role of Adu. Sara Zaker performed as Zohra. The cast also included Pantho Shahriar (as Tasadduq), Omer Ayaz (as an idealistic schoolteacher who represents the youth), Jhuma Majumdar, Tahmina Islam, Naznin Naz, AK Azad, Md. Fakhruzzaman Chowdhury and Jhontu Bayen.

Use of folk music is notable in the play. AK Azad has done the music. Pijush Dasgupta was the set designer, while Nasirul Haque's lights complemented the set. Sara Zaker was the costume designer.

"Kathal Bagan," the 40th production of Nagarik, premiered on July 4 this year.

NEW RELEASES



Shei Champa Nodir Tirey
Songs of yesteryears by Khalid Hossain
Source: Commitment Products



Mon Manena
Solo album of Rabindra Sangeet by Smita
Source: Commitment Products



Ki Jala
Hridoy Khan featuring Panna
Source: Gaanchill



Kichhu Kothar Galpo
Solo album featuring Monalisa
Source: Agniveena



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-Ganjer 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.

On Air

BTV

09:05 Documentary Programme: Phirey Dekha
09:15 Esho Gaan Shikhi
10:30 Amader Golpo
11:00 Jantley Chai Janatey Chai
11:30 Amader Angina
12:10 Educational Programme
01:00 Selected Programme
02:15 Educational Programme
03:15 Bangla Feature Film
05:30 Drama
07:00 Selected Programme
07:30 Documentary Programme: Phirey Dekha
08:25 Shobhyataar Joyjatra
08:30 Onu Natok
09:30 Tele-film
10:25 Ronangon-er Dinguli

ATN BANGLA

09:10 Kaandey Amar Maa
09:20 Educational Programme
10:30 ATN Rannaghar
11:05 BSB- Cambrian Youth Parliament
12:05 Islamic Programme
03:15 Bangla Feature Film
05:00 Gram Gonjer Khobor
06:20 Amra Korbo Joy
08:00 Drama: Ekta Kobita Shunbey
09:50 Drama Serial: Pashapashi
10:40 Bibeker Kachhey Proshno
11:30 Drama Serial: 14 may @ Grameenphone
12:00 Lead News

CHANNEL I

09:30 Shangbadpotery Bangladesh
09:40 Public Reaction
09:50 Grameenphone Trilomatra
10:30 Drama: Oshporshi Neel
11:05 Channel I Cholo Chiro Mela'09

05:30 Talent Hunt: Shur Doria
Epaar Opaar
07:50 Channel i Shera Kontho'09
09:35 Drama: Version Z
10:00 Drama Serial: Nine Months in Brick Lane
08:45 Crime Watch
09:30 Bhalobesho Mor Gaan
10:30 Apnaar Jigyasha
10:35 Tele-film
05:40 Tiffin-er Phakey
06:1 Shubho Shondha
06:40 Rup Madhuri
08:10 Drama: Ekta Kinley Ekta Free
09:00 Drama: Bank Draft
11:25 Washington Barta

RTV

10:45 Taroka Alap
11:30 Share Update
12:30 Drama Serial: FDC
02:03 Documentary Programme
03:10 Tele-film
05:00 Mobile to Mobile
06:40 Dhrupadi Kahini
07:30 Road To Democracy
09:25 Selected Programme
10:10 FDC
11:30 Musical Programme

BANGLAVISION

09:00 Nodi O Jibon
10:10 Bhalo Thakun

09:40 Drama Serial: Gulshan Avenue
11:25 Talk Show: Anyo Nayan
DESH TV
10:00 Khelar Utshob
12:15 Dur Paath
03:00 Bangla Feature Film
07:45 Musical Show
09:45 Rang Mistiri Show: Taal Mistri
11:45 Call-er Gaan
HBO
11:15 Patriot Games
01:30 Hot Stepper
03:40 Shrek The Third
05:45 Tmz 073
06:15 The Making Of I Am Legend
06:30 Forgetting Sarah Marshall

10:30 Barbershop1
12:50 The Hot Chick
STAR MOVIES
10:45 Closing The Ring
01:00 On The Line
02:45 My Mom's New Boyfriend
04:40 The Hills Have Eyes 2
06:25 While She Was Out
08:20 Ladder 49
10:30 P. S. I Love You
01:00 Bangkok Dangerous
STAR WORLD
10:30 Friends
11:00 Everybody Loves Raymond
11:30 According To Jim
12:00 Cops
01:00 Are You Smarter Than A 5th Grader??

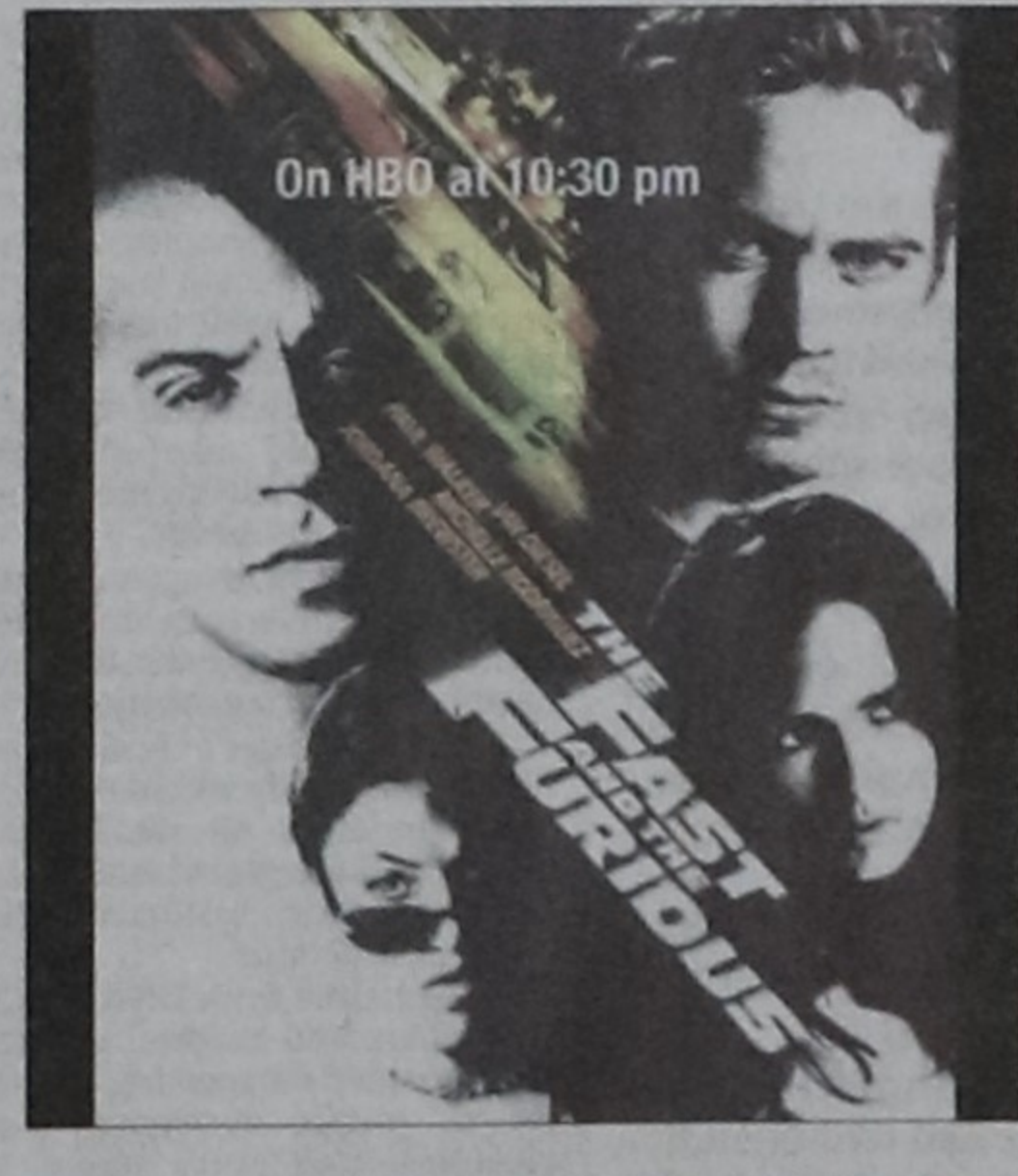
10:00 Whose Line Is It Anyway?
10:30 Are You Smarter Than A 5th Grader?
11:30 Eureka
12:30 Cops
BBC WORLD
08:00 World News Today
09:00 BBC World News
09:30 Asia Business Report
09:45 Asia Today (r)
10:00 BBC World News
10:30 World Business Report
11:00 BBC World News
11:30 World Business Report
12:00 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
02:00 BBC World News
02:30 Peschard's Business People (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 Peschard's Business People (r)
09:00 BBC World News
09:30 Our World: Hitler's Bodyguard (r)
10:00 World News Today
11:00 BBC World News
11:30 World Business Report
11:45 Sport Today



Ekta Kobita Shunbey?
Single Episode TV play
On ATN Bangla at 8:00 pm
Cast: Richi Solaiman, Hassan Masud



abc radio FM 89.2
06:05am Special Musical Programme: Long Play: Bhor Korey Studio Live: Monulaz Hit Hot
03:30pm 06:25pm 09:30pm
12:30am
Radio Feels 88.0 FM
07:30am Hello Dhaka
10:00am Morning Express
12:30pm No Tension
04:00pm Dhaka Calling
05:00pm Full Volume
11:00pm Back to Back music
Radio Today 89.6 FM
07:15am Good Morning Dhaka
11:00am Music Unlimited
01:00pm Today's Adika
04:00pm U Turn
06:00pm Tabey Tai Hok
12:00am Today's Happy Moments



On HBO at 10:30 pm

ETV

08:30 Ekusher Shokaal
09:30 Dehotori
10:02 Shonamoni Shukhey Ashukhey
11:30 Job line
12:02 Bangla Feature Film
05:30 Sports Plus
07:55 Naachery Gaanery Number 1
09:30 Drama Serial: Bhabi
10:10 Drama: City Lights

11:05 Housing Barta
12:05 The Spirit of Islam
02:40 Drama Serial: Diba Ratri
03:20 Drama Serial: The Family
04:10 Drama
05:20 Din Bodoler Manush
05:55 King Bodontir Dhaka
06:15 Arthoniti Shlanglaap
08:10 Drama: Antyorkhyo
09:05 Drama Serial: Kushum Kumari

ZEE STUDIO

09:30 Dirty Dancing Havana Nights
11:30 Match Point
02:20 White Noise
04:30 Harold & Kumar Go to White Castle
06:20 Shes The Man
09:20 Just Friends

02:00 Friends
02:30 Dirty Sexy Money
03:30 The Ellen Degeneres Show
04:30 The Bold And The Beautiful
05:00 7th Heaven
06:00 Desperate Housewives
07:00 According To Jim
07:30 Psych
08:30 Friends
09:30 Rodney