

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Theatre

Play: Bunohash (The Wild Duck)
Troupe: Dept. of Theatre, DU
Venue: Natmandal, Dhaka University
Date: October 27-31
Time: 7pm everyday



Photography Exhibition

Title: Indian Princes and Parisian Jewellers
Venue: La Galerie, Alliance Francaise de Dhaka, 26, Mirpur Rd, Dhanmondi
Date: October 24-November 5
Time: 10am-12pm, 5-8:30pm



Film Premiere

Film: Priyatameshu
Filmmaker: Morshudul Islam
Venue: Star Cineplex, Bashundhara Shopping Mall, Panthopath
Date: November 2
Time: 7pm

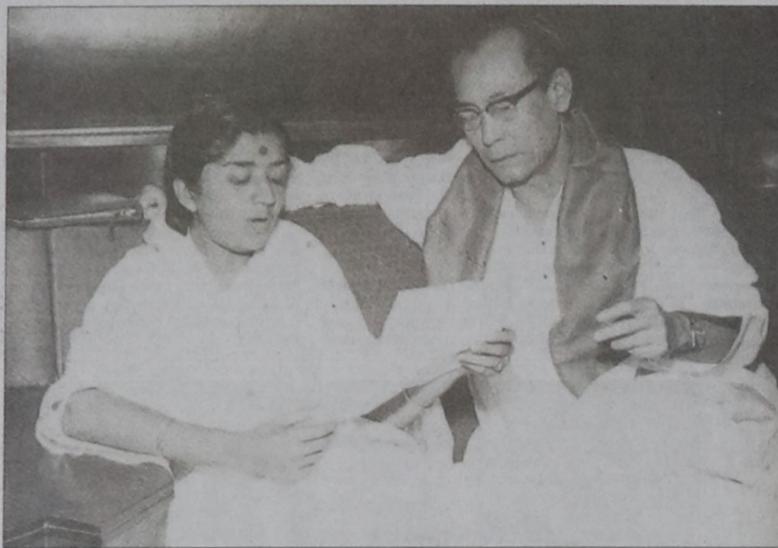


Solo Painting Exhibition

Title: Colours of Nature, Rhythm of Life
Artist: Gulshan Hossain
Venue: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, H 275/F, Rd 27 (old), Dhanmondi
Date: October 30-November 10
Time: 12-8pm



Sachin Dev Burman: Epitomising the East Bengali lilt



Sachin Dev Burman (right) explaining a composition to Lata Mangeshkar.

Kumar Shri Sachin Dev Burman (October 1, 1906 - October 31, 1975), also credited as 'Burman da' or 'Sachin karta', was one of the most celebrated music composers for Hindi movies and a Bengali singer and composer. Burman composed music for 100 movies, including Bengali films.

Today marks his 34th death anniversary. Sachin Dev Burman was born in Comilla (then East Bengal), to Nirmala Devi and Nabadwipchandra Dev Burman, the second son of Ishanachandra Dev Burman, the Raja of Tripura. Sachin was the youngest of five sons, of his parents, who had nine children in all.

He began his training in classical music under his father, who was a sitarist and dhrupad singer.

He did his B.A. from Calcutta University and started his formal music education under K.C. Dey

(from 1925 to 1930). In 1932 he came under the tutelage of Bhismadev Chattopadhyay. This was followed by training from Kahifa Badal Khan (sarangi player) and Ustad Alauddin Khan. Kazi Nazrul Islam also spent time in their family home, Comilla House, in Agartala.

He started working as a radio singer on Calcutta Radio Station in 1932, where his early work was based on East Bengali folk music, and soon made a reputation for himself in folk and light classical music. His film compositions were often influenced by his huge repertoire of folk tunes from the Bhatiali, Shari and Dhamaal traditions.

In the following decade he reached his peak as a singer, cutting as many as 131 songs in Bengali, and also sang for composers like Himangsu Dutta, RC Boral, Kazi Nazrul Islam and Sailesh Das Gupta.

In 1934, he attended the All India Music Conference, at the invitation of Allahabad University, where he presented his Bengali Thumri, to an illustrious audience, with the likes of Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit and the inimitable Abdul Karim Khan of Kirana Gharana.

As a music composer, he started with Bengali plays, "Sati Tirtha" and "Janani", and eventually gave his first score in film, "Rajge" in 1937. He continued composing music for Bengali films, even after he moved to Bombay (now Mumbai) in 1944.

In 1950s, SD Burman teamed up with Dev Anand's Nav Ketan Productions to create musical hits like "Taxi Driver" (1954), "Nau Do Gyarah" (1957) and "Kalapani" (1958). With the success of their second film, Baazi (1951) he made it to the top. While every song in the film was a hit, one stood out for special appeal - "Tadbir se bigdi hui taqdeer", a ghazal that was occidentalised into a seductive song.

Burman's thin yet powerful voice was often used as bardic commentary to haunting results - a typically Bengali trait - as in "Orey maajhi mere sajan hai uss paar" (from "Bandini", 1963), "Wahaan kaun hai tera" (from "Guide", 1965) and "Saphal hogi teri aradhana" (from "Aradhana", 1969), for which he received the National Film Award for Best Male Playback Singer for the year 1970.

Bengali music and sensibilities remained Burman's muse throughout his illustrious career in the Bombay film industry. In 1963, he composed songs for "Meri Surat Teri Aankhen" and Manna Dey sang the song "Poochho na kaise maine" in raaga Ahir Bhairav. The song was based on a Bengali composition by Kazi Nazrul Islam, "Arunokanti ke jogi bhikaari".

SD Burman was a frank and outspoken man, with a strong sense of self-pride. He openly criticised people whom he disliked or whose abilities he suspected (like the singer Mukesh). But he was widely respected by the industry as a fussy genius.

Burman went into coma soon after recording the song "Badi sooni sooni" for the film "Mili". He died on October 31, 1975 in Bombay.

Compiled by Cultural Correspondent.

'Lathikhela', 'Bichargaan' in Magura



Seventy-eight lathials took part in the event.

HOSSAIN SERAJ, Magura

Traditional 'lathikhela' (a mock fight with bamboo sticks) was held at Bhaina village in Magura last Thursday afternoon.

Seventy-eight lathials from four upazilas of Magura and adjoining districts, including Sohrab Sarder, Shawkat Sarder, Akbar Sarder, Obaidul Sarder, Golam Hossain Sarder and Awal Sarder, participated in the event.

The same night, a musical soiree featuring 'Bichargaan' (a light song in the form of a debate on various issues, especially spiritual) was also held at the same venue.

A team led by Ayesha Parveen from Kushtia district and another led by Nazrul Fakir from Jhenidah performed in the event, which continued well into the midnight.

The youths of Bhaina village, led by Rana Amir Osman and Ali Akbar, organised the events.

People from all walks of life enthusiastically flocked to the venue. These included prominent local personalities such as Deputy Commissioner of Magura, Mohammad Dilwar Bakht; Additional Deputy Commissioner, Mohammad Tarikul Alam; Sadar Upazila Parishad chairman Abu Nasir Bablu and others.

The music and rhetoric went down exceedingly well with the audience.

On Air

BTV

10:05 Rum Jhum
10:30 Bangla Feature Film
01:10 Swastho Jigyasha
02:20 Bangladesh vs Zimbabwe 3rd ODI
02:45 Selected Programme
05:35 Shuswastha O Shondarjya
06:10 Karukaj
06:40 Geeti Maloy
07:40 Documentary Programme
08:25 Shobhyotar Joyjatra
08:30 Tarana
09:00 Drama: Mayer Koley
10:25 Package Spot

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09:10 Kaandey Amar Maa
09:15 Asian City Top Spin
10:30 Hello Bangladesh
11:05 Shah Cement Nirmaner Taroka
12:15 Shesh Okhkhoh
01:30 Prapok
02:40 Bangla Feature Film
05:10 Kaandey Amar Maa
06:15 Square Hospital Shushtho Thakun
08:00 Drama Serial: Karo Kono Neli Nai
08:40 Drama Serial: Eka
09:20 Drama Serial: Jolkona
10:40 Talk Show: Mukto Sanglap
11:30 Drama Serial: Roilo Baki Ek
12:00 Talk Show: Grameenphone Lead News

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08:05 Tagore Song
08:30 Shokaler Gaan
08:40 Ajker Chakri
09:30 Shanbadpotrey Bangladesh
09:45 Public Reaction
09:50 Grameenphone Trilio Matra
11:05 Talk Show: Amader Aina
12:05 Hridoyer Gaan
12:30 Citycell Taroka Kathana

01:05 Ebong Cinemas Gaan	10:02 Deho Ghari	10:30 Total Sports	08:10 Hot Cities Water, Water (r)
01:30 Shobaar Jonoy Shorboshey Bigyan Dharona	12:30 Naachey Gaaney Number 1	11:45 Talk Show: Shoja Katha	09:00 BBC World News
02:30 Taal Biya 2009	01:30 Bangla Feature Film	BANGLAVISION	09:30 Talking Movies (r)
04:05 Talk Show: Save the Children	05:30 Sports Plus	08:30 Drama Serial: Babar Hotel	10:00 BBC World News
05:30 Talent Hunt: Surdora Epaar Opaar	05:45 Bhuboghurey Dot Com	09:00 Evlog Class-er Bairay	10:30 Our World: Tar Wars (r)
07:50 Drama Serial: Sakin Shari Shuri	07:50 Drama: House Wife	10:10 Jonotaar Mukhomukhi	11:00 BBC World News
09:35 Hridoyer Mati O Manush	09:30 Drama Serial: Bhabi	11:35 Anyo Nayan	11:30 America Held Hostage (r)
10:00 Drama Serial: Koyekti Kataghuri	10:10 Golpo Sholpo Gaan	12:30 Media Bhubaan	STAR WORLD
11:30 Drama Serial: Jatravala	11:45 Market Trend	01:30 Daily Soap: Gulshan Avenue	09:30 The Simpsons
12:00 Grameenphone Ajker Sangbadpatra	RTV	02:30 Bangla Feature Film	10:30 Whose Line Is It Anyway?
ntv	10:00 Crime Focus	05:25 Cinebit Shada Kalo	11:00 Seinfeld
08:30 Swastho Protdin	10:45 Taroka Alap	06:20 Special Programme: Vision Living Onyo Alor Gaan	11:30 The Bold And The Beautiful
08:45 Bangla Feature Film	11:30 Share Update	08:15 Drama Serial: Rupnagar-er Koinya	01:30 America's Got Talent
12:00 Washington Barta	12:30 Dhrupadi Kahini	09:05 Drama Serial: Ronger Duniya	02:30 Eureka
	02:03 Swapno Din-er Gaan	09:45 Drama Serial: Gulshan Avenue	03:30 Prison Break
	03:00 Drama: Vanity Bag	11:20 Poroshor	05:00 Beauty And The Geek
	06:03 Protdin		06:30 America's Got Talent
	06:45 Look At Me		07:30 Whose Line Is It Anyway?
	07:30 Road to Democracy		08:00 Whose Line Is It Anyway?

BBC WORLD

08:00 BBC World News

Rong
On ntv at 8:15 pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Hassan Masud, Fariha Shams

abc radio FM 89.2

05:00 Ehorri Jambay
09:00 Mukhorjo Jiboney
12:00 Daron Dupony
03:00 Duranto Bheley
05:00 Shandhatara
07:00 Shajer Malya
09:00 Raat-er Akashay
11:00 Golper Shest Nel

Radio Feorti 88.0 FM

08:00 Adababi
12:00 Boser Poka
02:00 Fovoi Unlimited
06:00 Bumper to Bumper
10:30 Club Footi
01:00 Back to Back music

Radio Today 89.6 FM

07:15 Good Morning Dhaka
11:00 Music Unlimited
01:00 Today's World Music
04:30 Q Tum
08:00 Today Ta Hok
11:00 Raat Btor Gaan

THE DUCHESS
On Zee Studio at 10:30 pm

12:10 Talk Show: El Shomoy	09:25 Drama Serial: Dorakata	STAR MOVIES	04:00 BBC World News
02:30 Drama Serial: Bela Bhumi	10:10 Drama Serial: FDC	12:45 Ever After: A Cinderella Story	04:30 Our World: Tar Wars (r)
03:15 Drama: Ekakitto	11:30 Jegey Achho Ki	03:10 The Chronicles Of Namia: Prince Caspian	05:00 BBC World News
04:25 Gallery	DESH TV	06:05 Penelope	05:30 Final Score
05:30 Alokpaat	10:30 Khelar Shokal	08:15 The Game Plan	06:10 Hot Cities (r) Water, Water Everywhere..
08:15 Drama Serial: Rong	12:15 Dur Paath	10:30 Rogue Assassin	07:00 BBC World News
09:00 Drama: Uchcha Madhyamik Panbar	01:02 Cartoon	12:35 Snake Eyes	07:15 Spot Today
11:30 Band Sangeet	03:00 Bangla Feature Film	BBC WORLD	07:30 Reporters
12:00 Talk Show: El Shomoy	04:00 Desh Janopad	08:00 BBC World News	08:00 BBC World News
ETV	07:45 Shachin Dev Bharman Birth Centenary	08:10 The Genius of Omar Khayyam	08:10 The Genius of Omar Khayyam
09:30 Drama Serial: Bhabi	09:45 Drama Serial: Jao Pakhi		

10:00 Nov '09: HBO Central (SA)	10:30 Drillbit Taylor	12:45 Jaws III	ZEE STUDIO
09:30 Halloween resurrection	11:40 Ed Wood	04:40 POut of Time	09:30 Halloween resurrection
07:00 PGet shorty on Campus	08:00 PThe Mirror has two faces	10:30 PThe duchess	11:40 Ed Wood
01:00 PThe Lost City			07:00 POut of Time