

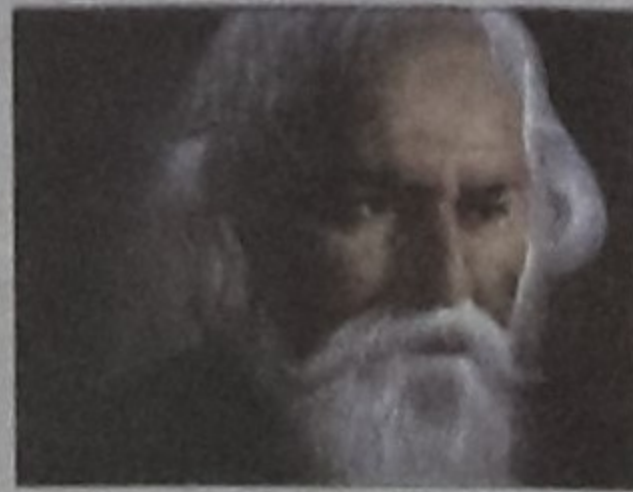
WHAT'S
ON THIS
WEEKSolo Painting
Exhibition

Title: Of Conflict and Harmony
Artist: Mustafa Khalid Palash
Venue: Asiatic Art Gallery, Nimtoli, Ramna
Date: October 23
November 22
Time: 10am-8pm



Musical Soiree

Rabindra Sangeet and adhunika songs
Title: Shesh Balar Alo
Venue: Post Sufia Kamal Auditorium, National Museum, Shahbagh
Date: November 23
Time: 6:45pm

Photography
Exhibition

Title: "Do you see my world?"
Venue: Drik Gallery, Dhanmondi
Date: November 21-27
Time: 3-8pm

Solo Art
Exhibition

Title: Women from Bangladesh
Artist: Katharina Rudolph (Germany)
Venue: La Galerie, Alliance Francaise, 26, Mirpur Road, Dhanmondi
Date: November 20-26
Time: 9am-12pm & 5-8pm



Remembering Naren Biswas

Birth anniversary of the artistic orator observed



Mofidul Haq (left) with Anjali Biswas at the programme.

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ZAHANGIRALOM

Artistic orator Professor Naren Biswas' 63rd birth anniversary was observed at Cafe Theatre of Liberation War Museum on November 16. Anjali Biswas, wife of Naren Biswas, lit candles in observance of the anniversary.

Presided over by renowned educationist Professor Anisuzzaman, the programme also saw the participation of other noted personalities like Professor Nurur Rahman Khan, chairman, Bangla Department of Dhaka University; Professor Abul Kashem Fazlul Haq; Professor Prafulla Roy; Professor Narayan Chandra Biswas; Joint Registrar of Kolkata University Nitish Biswas and drama personality Mamunur Rashid.

Professor Narayan Chandra Biswas elaborated on the life and works of Naren Biswas. To quote him, "Naren Biswas will be remembered forever for his sincere contribution to the Bangla language and literature. His unique efforts in compiling 'Bangla Ucheharon Abidhan' and 11 volumes of audio cassettes 'Aitijhyer Angikar' that earned him the Ananda Puraskar are really marvellous."

In his speech, Mamunur Rashid highlighted Naren Biswas' roles in the Liberation War and Swadhin Bangla Betar Kendra. He also stated that such was the spirited and

unwavering personality of Naren Biswas that he never gave in to anything.

In his speech Professor Anisuzzaman said, "Naren Biswas, having an inquisitive mind, was always in search of new and novel ideas. His relentless reading led him to visual impairment."

Professor Naren Biswas wrote poems, lyrics, plays and literary criticism. He was a theatre activist as well. Plays written by Naren Biswas are "Nihoto Kushlob", "Roudradin", "Crossbiddho Jishu", "Tamoshir Phashi", "Shakuntala" (an adaptation of the Kalidas original) and "Maa" (adaptation of Maxim Gorky's "Mother"). According to his last will, his body was donated to Dhaka Medical College Hospital.

Anjali Biswas handed over Naren Biswas' collection of rare photographs on genocide during the Liberation War, memoirs and certificates to Mofidul Haq, member secretary and trustee of the Liberation War Museum.

Noted recitor Mahidul Islam recited a poem written by Shamsur Rahman, "Naren Biswas Ke Mon-e-Rekhey" and an excerpt from the National Poet's "Jodi Aar Banshi Na Bajey".

Artists of 'Shabdarup', Shameer Ranjan Sarkar and Shahriar Kabir, rendered songs written by Naren Biswas on the occasion.

Prodip Bagchi on behalf of 'Shabdarup' organised the programme.

Homage to Mir Mosharraf Hossain

Two-day programme in Kushtia

AMANURAMAN, Kushtia

A two-day programme in Kushtia to mark the 162nd birth anniversary of renowned poet, novelist and playwright Mir Mosharraf Hossain ended last Saturday.

On the occasion, a discussion, drama, cultural programme and a fair was held at the writer's ancestral homestead at Lahinipara, 4 kms off the Kushtia town.

Kumarkhali Upazila Administration arranged the programme.

A large number of people and admirers of Hossain's works from different parts of the district attended the programme.

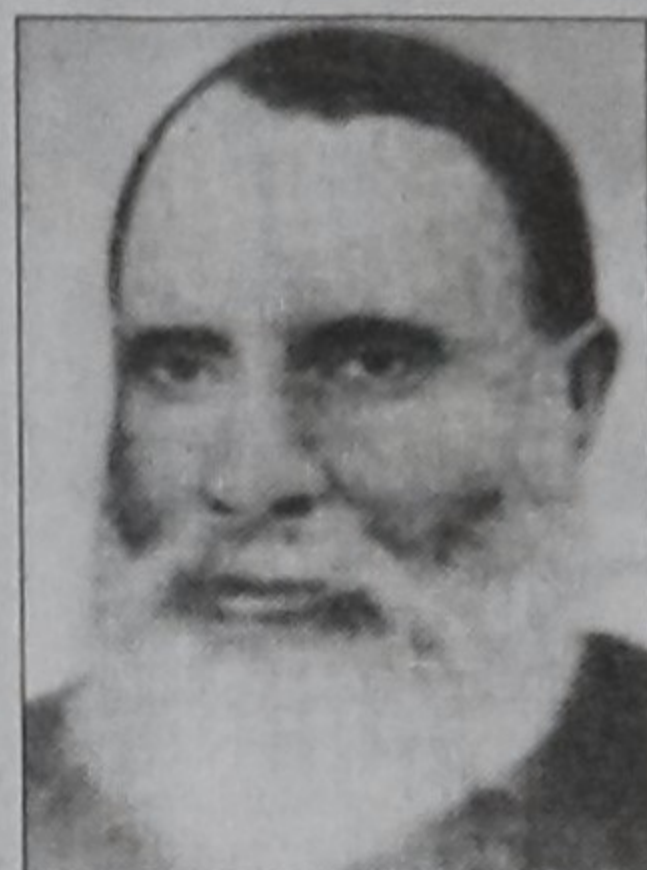
Kushtia Deputy Commissioner Abdul Mannan inaugurated the programme. Among those who addressed the gathering were researcher Lalim Haque; Kumarkhali upazila chairman Abdur Rouf and journalist Bablu Joardar. The programme was presided over by Kumarkhali upazila chairman Mohammad Manikhar Rahman.

Born on November 13, 1847, at Lahinipara, Mosharraf wrote 35 books that included novels, plays, stories, poems, an autobiography and several books on religion. Among his significant works are "Bishad Sindhu", "Jamidar Darpan" and "Basanta Kumari".

Mosharraf also worked as a journalist at 'Gram Barta Prokashika' edited by Kargal Harinath and 'Sangbad Hitkor' of Iswar Gupta. Later, Mosharraf edited a fortnightly paper in 1880 named 'Hitokori'.

Mosharraf died in 1911. Unfortunately the author's home is in a dilapidated state due to the negligence of the concerned authorities. All that remains is a mango tree, planted by Mosharraf on his two-acre plot of land. Later, a mosque, a library and a primary school were built in his name.

Recently, construction of an auditorium ended at Mosharraf's homestead at a cost of Taka 54 lakh. The auditorium also houses a library. Kushtia Zila Parishad sanctioned the funds.



Mir Mosharraf Hossain

Chronicle of a writer

Sixty years of Kabir Chowdhury's literary career

CORRESPONDENT

On November 16, the Bangladesh Writers Foundation organised a discussion at the Central Public Library auditorium on the occasion of the 60-year literary career of National Professor Kabir Chowdhury. A leading intellectual, essayist, literary critic, educationist, translator and socio-cultural activist, Chowdhury writes both in English and Bengali. He has published more than 200 books. Noted poet Muhammad Samad, novelist Saleha Chowdhury, cultural personality Ramendu Majumdar, writer Mainuddin Kalam, Nahid Rokhsana, Ahmed Kaiser, Rasel Asheki, Ayat Ali Patwary, Prottoy Jasim and others delivered speeches at the programme. The programme was presided over by noted Nazrul exponent Dr. Rafiqul Islam.

"Kabir Chowdhury is always beside the nation in times of crisis. His works make people aware of the perils of inequity and communalism," said the speakers at the programme.

"Kabir Chowdhury leads a disciplined life. He is very conscious about time. He devotes his life to the country and varied creative

activities," said poet Muhammad Samad, one of the distinguished poets of the '70s. He is also a Professor at the Institute of Social Welfare and Research, Dhaka University.

"He is a modern and very creative person. In 1947, he gave me the opportunity to edit a poetry book of modern poets of our country. During this time, I got a chance to come close to him," said Nazrul exponent Rafiqul Islam.

Said Kabir Chowdhury, "I started to write seriously when I was about 26. We had an excellent library at home. At first reading good books led me to writing. My first book was published in 1950. On an average at least 10 books have been published every year. I translate both from Bangla to English and the other way round."

"I like to work in the daytime. My brother Munier Chowdhury liked to write at night. I am now translating Nobel Laureate Orhan Pamuk's book 'Snow'. This will be a voluminous publication."

"I have a regular workout routine. I wake up at 5 am and I am at my writing table at 6 every morning. I take inspiration from the love of people. I hope that at the next Ekushey Book Fair 10 new books will be published. I feel very proud to be working with the Education Commission."



National Professor Kabir Chowdhury (centre) with distinguished guests at the event.



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

On Air

BTV

09:15 Documentary Programme
09:30 Live Telecast from the High Court

11:00 Apon Bhumi
11:30 Agricultural Programme
12:30 Maa O Shishur Katha

01:00 Metho Shur
01:30 Shukhi Ponbar
02:15 Swadesh Shilpa

03:05 TV Series: Ali Baba Chollish Chor
03:30 Chetona Muktiyudhyo

04:30 Musical Programme
05:05 Sisimpur
05:35 Monihar

07:00 Mukto Alap
07:25 Prottyashar Pathay
07:40 Documentary Programme: Phirey Dekha

08:25 Amar Bangladesh
08:30 Ontorey ontorey
09:00 Drama: Brishitir Shimanaye

10:25 Talk Show
ATN BANGLA

08:30 Drama: Jyotsnakaal
09:10 Kaandey Amar Maa

09:20 Asian City Top Spin
10:30 Talk Show: Hello Bangladesh

11:10 Bangla Feature Film
12:30 Cinema Cinema

03:10 Shundor Jibon-er Jonyo
04:20 Glamour Touch
05:10 Kaandey Amar Ma

05:20 Islami Sawal O Jobab
06:15 Shobar Jonyo
08:00 Drama Serial: Batasher Ghar

08:40 Drama Serial: Dayebondhon
09:20 Drama Serial: Pashapashi
11:30 Drama Serial: Roilo Baki Ek

12:00 Grameenphone Lead News
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08:05 Tagore Song
08:30 Shokaa-er Gaan
08:40 Aker Chaakri

09:30 Shangbaadpotrey Bangladesh
09:45 Public Reaction
09:50 Talk Show: Grameenphone

Tritomatra

11:30 Musical Programme: Surdoria
Bagha Gayen

12:05 Uttoradhikar
12:30 Citycell Taroka Katha

01:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan
01:30 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma

02:30 I Sports
03:05 Hridoye Mati O Manusher Daak

03:50 Shikya Shilpo Shangskriti
04:15 Mukti Judhyo Protidin
04:40 Haludia Pakhi

05:30 Talent Hunt: Surdoria Bagha Gayen
07:50 Cookery Show

08:25 Drama Serial: Bindu Thekey Britto
09:30 Reality Show: Uttoradhikar

11:30 Talk Show: Aloye Bhuban
ETV

08:30 Ekusher Shokaal
09:30 Drama Serial: Jahur Ali Jahuri

10:50 Financial Bulletin
11:30 Ekush-er Business

02:00 Desh Jurey Oporadh
03:30 Dehotori
04:00 Drama Serial: Bondhon

04:10 Quiz Show: Janar Achhey
05:35 Chetona Islam

06:40 Musical Programme: Amaro
Gailey Ichha Holo

08:15 Drama Serial: Ekta Kinley Ekta Free
09:00 Reality Show: The Challenge

09:45 Drama Serial: Dhupchhaya
11:30 Musical Programme
Desh TV

04:05 Raat Biraatey
04:45 Kingdodontir Dhaka

05:25 Visa Apnar Agami
06:15 Reporter's Eye
06:40 Point of Order

08:15 Drama Serial: Khoj
09:05 Media Bhuban
09:45 Daily Soap: Gulshan Avenue

11:25 Jonotar Mukhomukhi
STAR WORLD

08:02 Musical Programme
07:45 Murchhonar Swabdojal

08:30 Lizan Herbal Ekoi Brintey
09:45 Drama: Tritiyo Pokhoyo

11:45 Talk Show: Shojha Katha
STAR WORLD

09:30 Late Show With David Letterman
10:30 Friends

11:00 Everybody Loves Raymond
11:30 According To Jim

12:00 Baywatch Hawaii
01:00 America's Got Talent

02:00 Friends
02:30 Criminal Minds

03:30 The Ellen Degeneres Show
04:30 The Bold And The Beautiful

05:00 7th Heaven
06:00 Ugly Betty

07:00 According To Jim
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