

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Solo Painting Exhibition

Title: Origins of Fruits
Artist: Onil Hossain
Venue: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, H 275/F (old), Dhanmondi
Date: December 22-January 2
Time: 12pm-8pm



Photography Exhibition

Title: India through the lenses of Alain Danielou and Raymond Burnier
Venue: Alliance Française de Dhaka, 26, Mirpur Rd, Dhanmondi
Date: December 21-31
Time: 10am-12pm & 5-9pm



Theatre

Play: Hargo
Troupe: Swapnadal
Venue: Experimental Theatre Hall, Shilpakala Academy
Date: December 30
Time: 7pm



Sculpture Exhibition

Sculptor: Nasima Haque Mitu
Venue: Gallery Chitrag, H-21, R-4, Dhanmondi
Date: December 25-31
Time: 11am-8pm



Images that speak

Remembering Naib Uddin Ahmed

TAKIR HOSSAIN

I was first introduced to veteran photographer Naib Uddin Ahmed in mid-2003 at his younger brother Dr. Nowazesh Ahmed's residence on Green Road. At the time, he was very frail but could speak articulately. Whenever he visited Dhaka, he would stay with his brother. I met him a number of times and had discussions with him on a range of issues. As a man, he was liberal and believed in secularism. He was also very scholarly.

Within a few days of our acquaintance, he sent me some photos from Manikganj where he used to live. The images feature the untainted charms of rural Bangladesh. One of those images highlights the life of a young peasant. Naib Uddin's photographs tell us many stories, which are familiar but his technique and style were unconventional and unparalleled. Characters are the prime concern in most of his images. His photos also delineate our socio-economic, political and cultural states.

Naib Uddin was born at a village named Paril, under Singhaier upazila, in Manikganj district in 1925. He grew up in the village and developed a connection with nature. "The beauty of nature and the simple lives of people fascinated me the most. The essence of life was immersed in the rural environment,"



Naib Uddin Ahmed

Naib Uddin always said.

When Naib Uddin was a child, he wanted to be a painter. He liked to draw and make clay dolls. In 1941, one of his maternal uncles gave him a baby brownie camera from Calcutta (now Kolkata). Thus his interest

in photography grew. He developed the films himself.

After his matriculation, Naib Uddin gained admission at Calcutta Islamia College in 1943. During that time, he had the opportunity to meet Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, Shilpacharya Zainul Abedin and Patua Quamrul Hassan.

After the Partition in 1947, Naib Uddin returned to his village and contemplated pursuing photography professionally. In 1951, he joined the Public Health Department as an artist. Afterwards he joined the newly founded Agricultural University as the chief photographer in 1961.

Until the Liberation War, Naib Uddin was better known for his landscapes. In his

snaps he focused on the typical rural elements like boats, river banks, mustard and corn fields, herds of cows, oarsmen, fishermen, children, potters, women and green horizons. Wheel, plough, cloud, boat etc have been regularly used as motifs in his photographs. "When our labourers and farmers work, they do it in their own style. There is a beauty in it. In my images, I tried to articulate the passion and excitement of the working people," said Naib Uddin.

In 1971, Naib Uddin risked his life to take many photographs of the war. The images are poignant and bring to life the brutality of that time. These images now survive as documents of the Liberation War. Naib Uddin was so upset by the cruelty of the Pakistani army that since then the pioneering photographer put away his camera.

Naib Uddin regretted not being able to publish a book on his photographs. He entertained the hope that the photographs be preserved with the help of the government or any organisation.

Recently, with his demise, we have lost a great son of the soil who truly projected our lives, nature, the Liberation War and the freedom fighters. Just before his demise, Proga (a private organisation) screened a documentary on him and published a book of his rare photographs. The book is now the only photographic collection of the maestro.



Naib Uddin's images focused on typical rural elements.

Shah Rukh among 500 most influential Muslims

Being one of the most successful stars in Bollywood brings with itself loads of accolades and awards. This time Shah Rukh Khan finds himself in the august company of former Indian President Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam and Oscar winning composer AR Rahman. The trio has been included in the list of 'The 500 most influential Muslims in the world' released by Georgetown University, USA.

The actor has been included in the 'Arts and Culture' segment of the list and has been lauded for "campaigning for better relations between India's Muslim and Hindu communities."

Source: Internet

Deepu's solo art exhibition in Maulvibazar

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Maulvibazar

A solo art exhibition featuring works of Sheikh Abu Naim Deepu is now on in Maulvibazar at the Dr. Syed Mujtaba Ali Auditorium. The exhibition will continue till December 30. Portraits of eminent personalities including Rabindranath Tagore, Kazi Nazrul Islam, Sarat Chandra Chattopadhyay, Jibanananda Das, Michael Madhusudan Dutt, Bishnu Dey, Dr. Syed Mujtaba Ali and Baul Shah Abdul Karim are highlights of the exhibition.



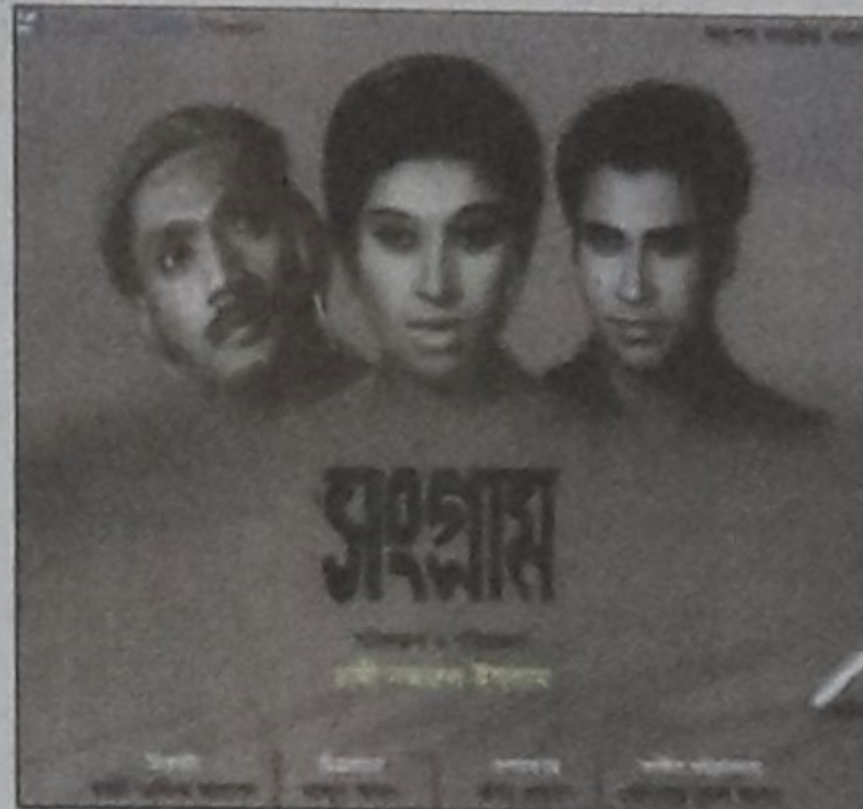
Visitors at the exhibition.

PHOTO: STAR

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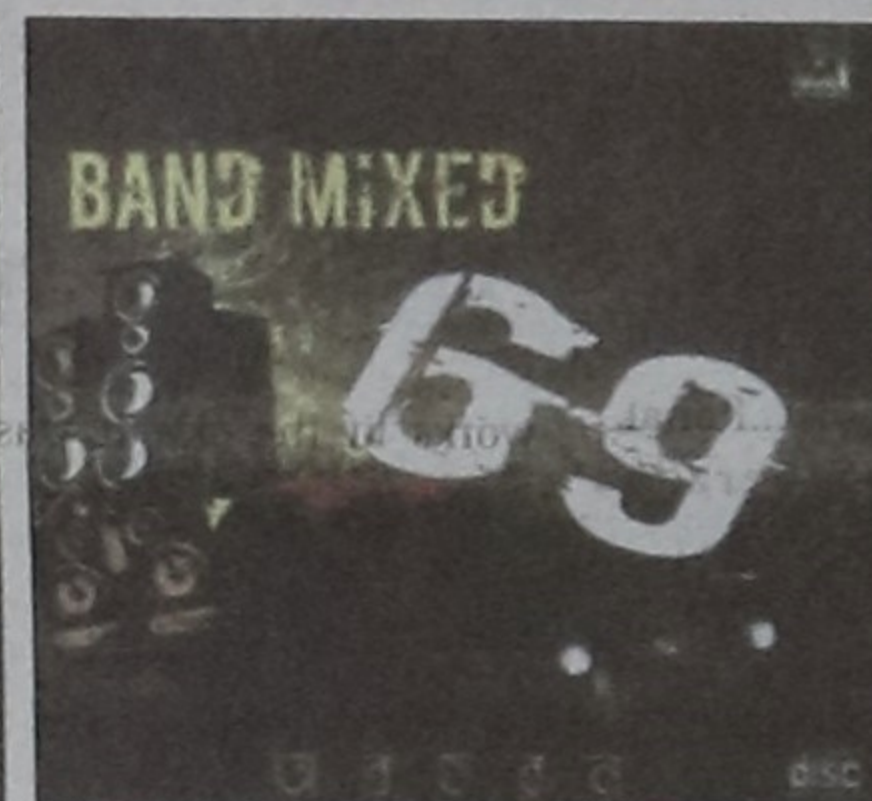
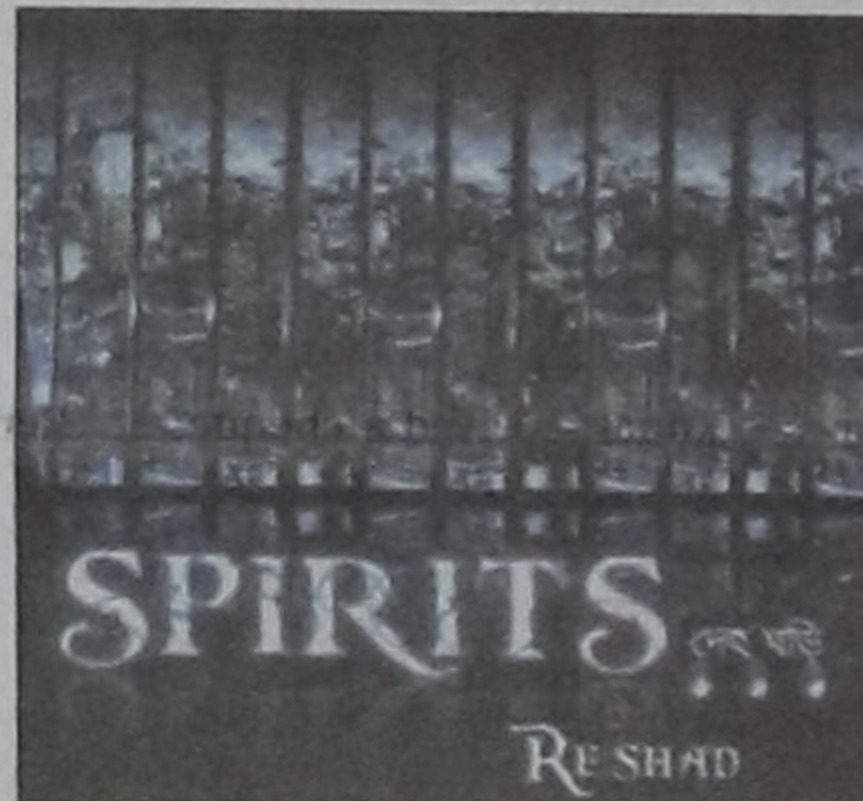
VIDEO

Shangram
Bangla feature film directed by Chashi Nazrul Islam
Cast: Suchanda, Khashru, Nutan
Source: Laser Vision



Panjabiwala
Telefilm written and directed by Suman Anwar
Cast: Joya Ahsan, Fazlur Rahman Babu
Source: G-Series

Spirits: Dehoghari
Solo album of folk songs by Reshad
Source: Laser Vision



Band Mixed 69 Abataran
Mixed album
Source: Geetali

AUDIO



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

On Air

BTV

08:15 Shokaler Gaan
09:05 Documentary Programme: Phirey Dekha
10:05 Rumjhum
10:30 Geeli Alapon
11:30 Mati O Manush
12:10 Swastho Jigyasha
01:10 Shaptoshur
01:35 Shukhi Poribar
02:15 Sisimpur
02:45 Bangla Feature Film
03:35 Suswastho O Shundorjo
06:40 Geeli Malyo
07:15 Antorango Alokey
07:40 Documentary Programme: Phirey Dekha
08:25 Shobhyotar Joyatra
08:30 Dance Programme: Shoroney Protidin Hey Bondhu Hey Prio
09:00 Package Single Drama
10:20 Kathay Kathay Kichhukkhon
10:45 Muktiyudhyo Protidin

ATN BANGLA

09:10 Kaandey Amar Maa
09:15 Asian City Vision 2020
10:30 Hello Bangladesh
11:05 Shah Cement Nimaner Taroka
01:10 Rupayan Bankers' T-20 Final
04:20 Telefilm: Jononi Shahoshini 1971
06:15 Square Hospital Shushtho Thakun
08:00 Drama Serial: Projapoti Mon
08:40 Drama Serial: Eka
09:20 Drama Serial: Jolkona
10:40 Talk Show: Mukto Sanglap
11:30 Drama Serial: Maa Tui Kemon Achhish
12:00 Talk Show: Grameenphone Lead News

CHANNEL i

08:05 Tagore Song
08:30 Shokaler Gaan
08:40 Aiker Chakri
09:30 Shanbadpotrey Bangladesh
09:45 Public Reaction
09:50 Grameenphone Trilivomatra
01:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan
01:30 Shobbaar Jonoy Shorboshey
Bigyan Dharona
Channel i Sherakantho '09
02:30

Moha Utshab
05:30 Talent Hunt: Surdoria Bagha Gayen
07:50 Drama Serial: Sakin Sharishuri
09:35 Hridoye Mati O Manush
10:00 Drama Serial: Koyekti Kalaghuri
11:30 Drama Serial: Khunbey Phiri
12:00 Grameenphone Aiker Sangbadpatra
08:30 Swastho Protidin
08:55 Bangla Feature Film
10:05 Bangla Feature Film
12:00 Washington Barta
12:10 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy
01:05 Cartoon
02:30 Drama Serial: Chokkor
03:10 Busyder Easy Show
04:25 Gallery
05:30 Alokpaat
06:40 Shangskriti Ei Shoptaho



Ronger Duniya
On Banglavisat at 9:05pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Himu, Soheli Khan

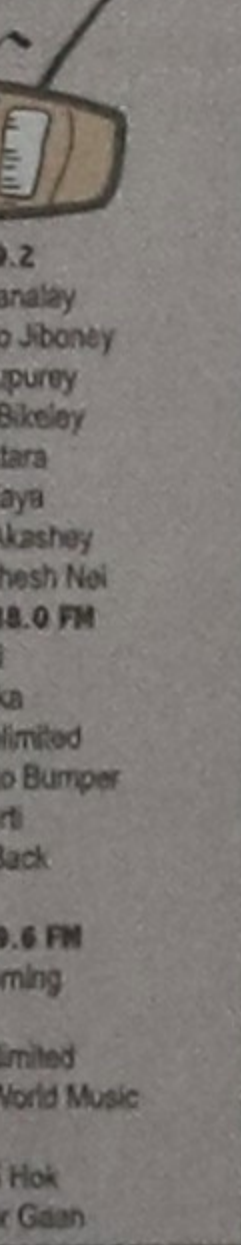
08:15 Drama Serial: Rong
09:00 Drama: Shwet Kopot Aar Kabyo
11:30 Band Show
12:00 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy
09:30 Drama Serial: Bhabhi
10:02 Dehotori
11:30 Baula Antor
01:30 Bangla Feature Film
04:30 Street Magic
05:45 Sports Plus
06:30 Bhubohurey Dotcom
07:50 Celebrity Talk Show: Otopor

Ami
09:30 Drama Serial: Bhabhi
10:10 Golpo Sholpo Gaan
10:50 Financial Bulletin
10:00 Amader Dhaka
10:45 Taroka Alap
11:30 Share Update
12:30 Dhrupadi Kahini
02:03 Swapno Din-er Gaan
03:00 Drama: Aandhar Sheshey
05:00 Telepress
06:03 Protidin
06:45 Look At Me
07:30 Road to Democracy
09:25 Drama Serial: Dorakata
10:10 Drama Serial: FDC
11:30 Jeggy Achho Ki
10:30 Khelar Shokal
12:15 Dur Paath
01:00 Cartoon



03:00 Bangla Feature Film
04:00 Desh Janapad
07:45 Desh Top Chart
08:15 Drama Serial: Maer Doa Poribahan
09:45 Drama Serial: Jao Pakhi
10:30 Total Sports
11:45 Talk Show: Shojha Katha
08:30 Drama Serial: Babar Hotel
09:00 Ebong Class-er Bairey
10:10 Jonotaur Mukhomukhi
11:35 Anyo Nayan
12:30 Media Bhubaan

01:30 Daily Soap: Gulshan Avenue
02:30 Bangla Feature Film
05:25 Chhu Montor Chhu
06:20 Drama
08:15 Drama Serial: Rupnagar-er Koinya
09:05 Drama Serial: Ronger Duniya
09:45 Daily Soap: Gulshan Avenue
11:20 Orthoniti Shanglap
09:30 Out of Time
11:45 Herbie Fully Loaded
12:00 Get shorty
02:30 Sleep Murder
04:30 Just Friends
06:30 Uptown Girls
08:30 The Groomsmen
10:30 The Wrestler
01:00 The Wrestler
09:15 Speed Racer



12:00 The Making Of 10,000 B.C.
12:15 10,000 B.C.
02:30 Mumbai Calling 01: Teknobable
03:00 Mumbai Calling 02: Home Comforts
04:00 Mumbai Calling 04: Boy To Man
04:30 Mumbai Calling 05: Dating Season
05:00 Mumbai Calling 06: My Mate Mumbai
05:30 Mumbai Calling 07: All That Glitters Is Not Glass
06:15 As Good As It Gets
09:00 True Blood 20: Timebomb

10:00 Jan '10: HBO Central (SA)
10:30 The Golden Compass
01:00 The Golden Compass
08:30 2009 Remax World Long Drive Championship
10:00 First Edition
10:30 Sportscenter Asia: Year In Review
11:00 Football Asia 2009/10
11:30 Premier League Preview
12:00 Hitz 09/10
12:30 Castrol Football Crazy
01:00 Football Forecast
02:00 Albertville 1992: One Light, One World
03:00 Football Asia 2009/10
04:30 Premier League Preview
05:00 Global Football
05:30 Cev Beach Volleyball
European Championship Tour - Austrian Masters



06:30 Hitz 09/10
06:55 Sportscenter Weekend 2009
07:00 Primetime Premier League
07:40 Barclays Premier League 2009/10
07:45 Match: Birmingham City vs. Chelsea
07:55 Primetime Premier League
08:00 Barclays Premier League 2009/10
08:30 Match: Manchester City vs. Stoke City
12:00 Primetime Premier League
12:25 Barclays Premier League 2009/10

STAR SPORTS

10:00 TNA Ppv 08/09 - Victory Road
01:00 TNA Ppv 08/09 - Hard Justice
04:00 TNA Ppv 09/10 - No Surrender
07:00 Game Christmas Special
07:30 Behind The Baseline
07:55 Barclays Premier League 2009/10
Match: Fulham vs. Tottenham Hotspur
11:00 Barclays Premier League 2009/10
Match: Sunderland vs. Everton
12:00 Barclays Premier League 2009/10
Match: West Ham United vs. Portsmouth

BBC WORLD

08:00 BBC World News
08:10 Dying To Go To School
09:00 BBC World News
09:30 Tsunami Revisited (r)
10:00 BBC World News
10:30 Our World: Inside MIS (r)
11:00 BBC World News
11:30 Middle East Business Report (r)
12:00 BBC World News
12:30 Dateline London
01:00 BBC World News
01:15 Sport Today
01:30 The Record Europe
02:00 BBC World News
02:30 Life On The Edge
03:00 BBC World News
03:30 Panorama (r)
04:00 BBC World News
04:30 Our World: Inside MIS (r)
05:00 BBC World News
05:30 Final Score
06:00 BBC World News
06:10 Dying To Go To School (r)
07:00 BBC World News
07:15 Sport Today
07:30 Reporters
08:00 BBC World News
08:30 Panorama (r)
09:00 BBC World News
09:30 Talking Movies (r)
10:00 BBC World News
10:30 Tsunami Revisited (r)
11:00 BBC World News
11:30 Spirit Of The Arts (r)
The Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra