

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Theatre
Play: Sonata
Director: Leesa Gazi
Venue: British Council Auditorium, 5, Fuller Road
Date: January 4-6
Time: 7pm



Book Launch
Title: Ballads and Painting
Author: Abdus Shakoor Shah
Venue: Garden Gallery, R-4, H-23, Baridhara
Date: January 11
Time: 6pm



Musical Soiree
Title: Srotar Ashor
Venue: Ramesh Chandra Dutta Memorial Auditorium, Chhayanaut
Date: January 8
Time: 7pm



Theatre
Play: Bhumi Konya
Troupe: Anushilan Natyadal, RU
Venue: Experimental Theatre Hall, Shilpakala Academy
Date: January 8
Time: 6:30pm



Cultural activist Satyen Sen remembered

Two-day programme by Satyen Sen Shilpi Songstha



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Dancers of Nriyam perform with a Satyen Sen song, *Aaji Shapto Sagor Hotey*.

ZAHANGIR ALOM

Satyen Sen Shilpi Songstha (SSSS) observed the 29th death anniversary of the noted litterateur, journalist and socio-cultural activist Satyen Sen (1907-1981) at the Central Shaheed Minar premises on January 4. The two-day long event, which included discussion and cultural programmes, ended yesterday.

Born in Shonarong village of Munshiganj district, Satyen

Sen was directly involved in the anti-Raj movement. He believed in the Marxist ideology and worked with farmers and labourers. A significant part of his life was spent behind bars, and it was in prison where his literary prowess first made a breakthrough. "Bhorer Bihongi" (1959), "Abhishapta Nagari" (1969), "Bidrohi Koiborto" (1970), "Ma" (1970) and "Uttaran" (1970), among others, are some of his acclaimed novels. Sen was the founder of Udichi,

a leading cultural organisation that has been active against social injustice and fanaticism. Sen received several awards including the Adamji Sahitya Purashkar (1967), Bangla Academy Literary Award (1970), and a posthumous Ekushey Padak (1986). The discussion was held on January 4, presided over by Dr. Hayat Mamud. General Secretary of Shammilito Sanskritik Jote Golam Kuddus; Secretary General of Bangladesh Group Theatre Federation Jhuna

Chowdhury; General Secretary of Patho Natok Parishad Mizanur Rahman; General Secretary of Gano Sangeet Shilpi Shamonnay Parishad Mahbul Haidar Mohan; one of the founders of Udichi Kamrul Hasan Khan, General Secretary of SSSS Manzarul Islam Chowdhury and others participated in the discussion.

At the cultural programme on the first day, artistes of SSSS performed two choruses "Maro Jawan Haiyo" and "Din-ei Jodi Hosh Rey Kana", written by Satyen Sen. A group recitation, titled "Chhappanno Hajar Borgomile" -- originally written by Professor Humayun Azad -- was staged by Kishor Theatre. Other performances included a dance with a Satyen Sen song, "Aaji Shapto Sagor Hotey" by Nriyam, directed by Tamanna Rahman; a group rendition by Bangabandhu Sanskritik Jote; a group recitation titled "Megh Jomechhey Akash Jurey" by Swarokalpon; solo renditions by Mafia Rahman Mithi, Mahzebin Rahman Shawli, Nilufar Rahman Chinu, Arif Rahamn, Altaf Hossain, Shahana Parvin Rumi and Shuma Roy, and a street play titled "Barnochor", written and directed by Professor Momtaz Uddin Ahmed and Morshed Hossain respectively.

People from all walks of life attended the programme.

Group exhibition begins at Bengal Gallery

A CORRESPONDENT

Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts has organised a weeklong painting exhibition titled "The Journey and Fraternity". The exhibition features works of members of the Indian group of artists known as "Kolkata Painters". The exhibition opened yesterday at Bengal Gallery, Dhanmondi. On the occasion, a press conference was held on January 4.

Subir Chowdhury, director of Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts; artists Bijen Chowdhury and Amitabh Sen Gupta were present at the conference. The participating painters are Amitabh Sen Gupta, Animesh



Nandi, Anita Roy Chowdhury, Barun Roy, Bijen Chowdhury, Bipin Goswami, Devbrata Chakraborty, Dhiraaj Chowdhury, Dwijen Gupta,

Goutam Bhowmik, Isha Mo, Jogen Chowdhury, Nikhilesh Das, Niren Sen Gupta, Pradip Mandal, Prokash Karmakar, Robin Mandal, Shiba Prasad

Kar, Subrata Ghosh, Sudeep Banerjee, Shushanta Chakraborty, Tapan Ghosh, Tapan Mitra and Wasim Kapoor.

Instrumental and ghazal at National Press Club

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

An evening of Indian classical music on guitar by Neel Ranjan Mukherjee and renditions of ghazal by Akhil Kumar

Das was held at the Conference Lounge of National Press Club on January 4. National Press Club was the organiser of the programme. Both artists (from India) held the audience's interest through



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Akhil Kumar Das (C) presents ghazal at the programme.

their performances. General Secretary of Press Club, Kamal Uddin Sabuj, welcomed the artistes, while Acting President of the Club, Syed Akhtar Yousuf, gave a brief speech.

The musical programme started with a performance by Neel Ranjan. The artist (from the reputed 'Seniya Gharana' of New Delhi) with a seven-string Hawaiian guitar performed a raaga and a raaga based composition. His first performance was 'Raaga Maru Bihag'. The latter rendition by the young musician was a *dhun* based on 'Raaga Mishra Khamaaj'.

At present, Neel Ranjan runs a musical troupe in India, called Sky Group.

After Neel Ranjan, Akhil Kumar Das took the stage. A vocalist of the 'Indore

Gharana', Das performed several songs made famous by the legendary ghazal singers Mehdi Hassan and Gulam Ali. Das started with a Mehdi Hassan number "Duniya Kisi Ke Pyar Mein". Das' other Mehdi Hassan covers were "Rafta Rafta Ho Meri" and "Zindagi Mein tho Sabhi".

The singer's cover of Gulam Ali ghazal included "Chupkey Chupkey", "Hangama" and "Ye Dil".

Both artistes were accompanied by Biplob Sharma on tabla, Firoz Khan on sitar, Nurul Haque on santoor and mandolin and Sandip Das on harmonium.

Rawnak Hasan, cultural secretary of Press Club, was the anchor of the programme.



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
- 10:05 Open University
- 10:30 Gaaney Gaaney Bangladesh
- 11:30 Quiz Quiz
- 12:10 Documentary Programme: Maa O Shishur Katha
- 12:30 Shilpo O Shahityo
- 02:15 Hijol Tomaal
- 03:00 Oporajita
- 03:30 Shukhi Poribar
- 04:05 Sisimfaak
- 04:30 Dolon Chapa
- 05:05 Sisimpur
- 07:40 Documentary Programme: Phirey Dekha
- 09:00 Drama Serial: Eito Jibon
- 09:30 Ranna Gharey Bairay
- 10:20 Focus

ATN BANGLA

- 08:30 Drama Serial: Kothay Pabo Tarey
- 09:10 Kandeay Amar Maa
- 09:15 Drama Serial: Jolkona
- 10:30 Hellow Bangladesh
- 11:05 Asian City Vision 2020
- 12:15 IT Zone
- 01:25 Band View
- 02:30 Nupur-er Chhondon-ey
- 03:15 Drama Serial: Rupali Manush
- 03:45 Children's Programme: Bannijomela Protidin
- 04:25 Special Programme
- 05:15 Special Talk Show on Family Planning
- 06:15 REXONA Destination Unlimited
- 08:00 Drama Serial: Gharjamai
- 08:40 Drama Serial: Kothay Pabo Tarey
- 11:30 Talking Point
- 12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

CHANNEL I

- 08:05 Tagore Song
- 08:30 Shokaler Gaan
- 08:40 Ajker Chakri
- 09:45 Public Reaction
- 09:50 Grameenphone Tritiyomatra
- 11:05 Sports Time
- 11:30 Musical Talent Hunt: Surdoria Bagha Gayen
- 12:30 Citycell Taroka Kathon
- 01:00 Ebong Cinemar Jaan
- 01:30 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma
- 02:30 Meridian Channel i Khudhey Gaanraaj
- 04:05 Muktijudhyo Protidin

- 04:30 Apnaar Shuswashto
- 05:30 Selected Programme
- 06:00 Drama Serial: Kosto Shudhu Amar
- 06:20 Cookery Show
- 07:50 Drama Serial: Tulir Telesmati
- 08:25 Drama Serial: Chhayabithi
- 09:35 Lux Channel i Superstar '09
- 11:30 E Bhora Badar Mah Bhadar
- 12:00 Grameenphone Ajaker Shongbadpatra

ETV

- 09:30 Drama Serial: Jahur Ali Jahuri
- 10:02 Galpo Shalpo Gaan
- 11:30 Ekushey Business
- 12:30 Ekushey Business
- 01:30 DW Global 3000
- 04:02 Drama Serial: Bishkata
- 05:25 TV South Asia Munmun Moments
- 06:00 Ekusher Shondhya
- 07:45 The Total Music
- 08:20 Drama Serial: Poster



Meghbondhu
On Banglavision at 8:15pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Mahfuz Ahmed, Bijori Barkatullah

- 09:30 Drama Serial: Jahur Ali Jahuri
- 10:10 Ciney Hits
- 12:02 Ekusher Raat
- 08:30 Shasthya Protidin
- 08:55 Drama Serial: 1920
- 09:30 Crime Watch
- 10:05 Drama Serial: Ekta Kinley Ekta Free
- 11:00 The Challenge
- 11:30 Glamour World
- 12:10 Ei Shomoy
- 01:05 Japan Video Topic
- 02:30 Drama Serial: Kachheri Manush

- 03:15 Drama Serial: Shanto Kutir
- 04:10 Quiz Show: Janar Acchey
- 05:30 Bolar Achhey
- 06:10 Apnar Jiggasha
- 06:10 Shubho Shondhya
- 06:40 Rupali Pordaar Golpo
- 08:15 Siddiqua Kabir's Recipe
- 09:00 Kisu Katha Kisu Gaan
- 09:45 Drama Serial: Manush Bodol
- 11:30 Tomader Pelo Bangladesh

BANGLAVISION

- 08:30 Drama Serial: Rupnagorer Koinya
- 09:00 Drama Serial: Diba Ratri Khola Thakey
- 10:10 Drama
- 11:35 Onno Nayan
- 12:30 Raat Biratey
- 01:30 Mega Serial: Gulshan Avenue
- 02:40 Babar Hotel
- 03:20 Drama Serial: Diba Raatri Khola Thakey
- 04:05 Swapnochura
- 05:25 Cinebit

DESH TV

- 06:40 Point of Order
- 08:15 Drama Serial: Megh Bondhu
- 09:05 Shoundarja Kotha
- 09:45 Drama Serial: Gulshan Avenue
- 11:25 Din Bodoler Ek Bochhor
- 12:00 Shangbaad Protidin
- 12:15 Dur Path
- 04:30 Dur-er Jonopod
- 05:02 Cartoon
- 05:30 Bat Ghar
- 06:02 Concert
- 06:30 Shangbaad Shondhya
- 07:45 Kothay Kothay Raat Hoye Jaay
- 08:15 Galpo Thekey Natak: Kuashar

- 09:45 Bindu Theke Brityo
- 10:30 Total Sports
- 11:45 Talk Show: Shoja Katha

RTV

- 08:00 Ei Din
- 09:00 Black Horse RTV Golden Key
- 10:00 Very Filmy
- 10:45 Tarokalop
- 11:30 Share Update
- 12:30 Cookery Show: R Ranna
- 01:00 Dhallywood Beats
- 02:03 Bangla Feature Film
- 06:03 Protidin
- 06:45 Amader Dhaka
- 07:45 Road to Democracy
- 09:25 Drama Serial: Mon Kora
- 10:10 Drama Serial: Shey Amar Ekla Pakhi
- 11:30 Biz Event
- 12:00 Star and Sports

CHANNEL 1

- 08:40 Shuprobhat Bangladesh

- 12:30 Campus Confidential
- 01:30 Pride & Prejudice 3&4
- 02:40 Twice upon a Time
- 04:40 Casanova
- 07:05 Matilda
- 09:30 The Greatest Game Ever Played
- 12:15 Lords of Dogtown

HBO

- 08:30 Mortal Kombat
- 10:30 Baby Mama
- 12:30 Not Easily Broken
- 02:30 Terminal Invasion
- 04:15 Shoot'em Up
- 05:45 Generation Kill S101: Get Some
- 07:00 Revolution
- 09:00 Tmz 142
- 09:30 Mamma Mia!
- 12:00 Mortal Kombat

BBC WORLD

- 08:00 BBC World News
- 08:30 Asia Business Report

- 04:00 BBC World News
- 05:00 BBC World News
- 05:30 World Business Report
- 05:45 Sport Today
- 06:00 World News Today
- 07:00 World News Today
- 08:00 BBC World News
- 08:30 HARDtalk (r)
- 09:00 BBC World News
- 09:30 Fast Track (r)
- 10:00 World News Today
- 11:00 BBC World News
- 11:30 World Business Report
- 11:45 Sport Today

ESPN

- 08:00 KIA X Games Asia 2009 - Show 2
- 09:00 Uca National High School Cheerleading Championship
- 10:00 2010 Argentina - Chile Dakar Perak Amanjaya International Eco Adventure 2009
- 11:30 PBA All STAR Shootout
- 12:30 Barclays Premier League 2009/10
- Match: Stoke City vs. Fulham
- Match: Georgia Tech vs. Iowa
- 05:30 Perak Amanjaya International Eco Adventure 2009
- 06:30 KIA X Games Asia 2009 - Show 2
- 07:30 Football Focus With John Dykes
- 08:30 Sportscenter India
- 09:00 Sportscenter Asia
- 09:30 Cev Beach Volleyball
- European Championship Tour - Spanish Masters
- 10:30 Sportscenter India
- 11:00 Sportscenter Asia
- 11:30 Hitz 09/10
- 12:00 Planet Speed 2009/10
- 12:30 ACC Sunday Night Hoops
- Match: Xavier vs. Wake Forest

STAR SPORTS

- 08:00 Hyundai Hopman Cup XXII
- Match: Great Britain vs. Germany
- 01:30 Best Of Australian Open Tennis 2009 - Men's Singles
- Highlights Match: Marcos Baghdatis vs. Novak Djokovic
- 02:30 Best Of Australian Open Tennis 2009 - Men's Singles
- Highlights Match: James Blake vs. Jo-Wilfried Tsonga
- 03:30 TNA Impact 09/10
- 05:30 Game
- 06:00 Glitch
- 06:30 Hyundai Hopman Cup XXII
- Match: Great Britain vs. Germany
- 09:30 Score Tonight
- 10:00 Nike Football Locker Room 2009/10
- 10:30 Nuts
- 11:00 K1 Dream 7