

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Solo Photography Exhibition
 Title: The Preceptor and the Disciple
 Photographer: M A Taher
 Venue: Dharmarajik Maha Buddha Vihara, Mayakanan, Kamalapur
 Date: January 15-22
 Time: 3pm-8pm



Theatre
 Play: Shojon Badlar Ghat
 Troupe: Padatic Natya Sangsad
 Venue: Mahila Shamiti Auditorium, Natok Swarani
 Date: January 21
 Time: 6:30pm



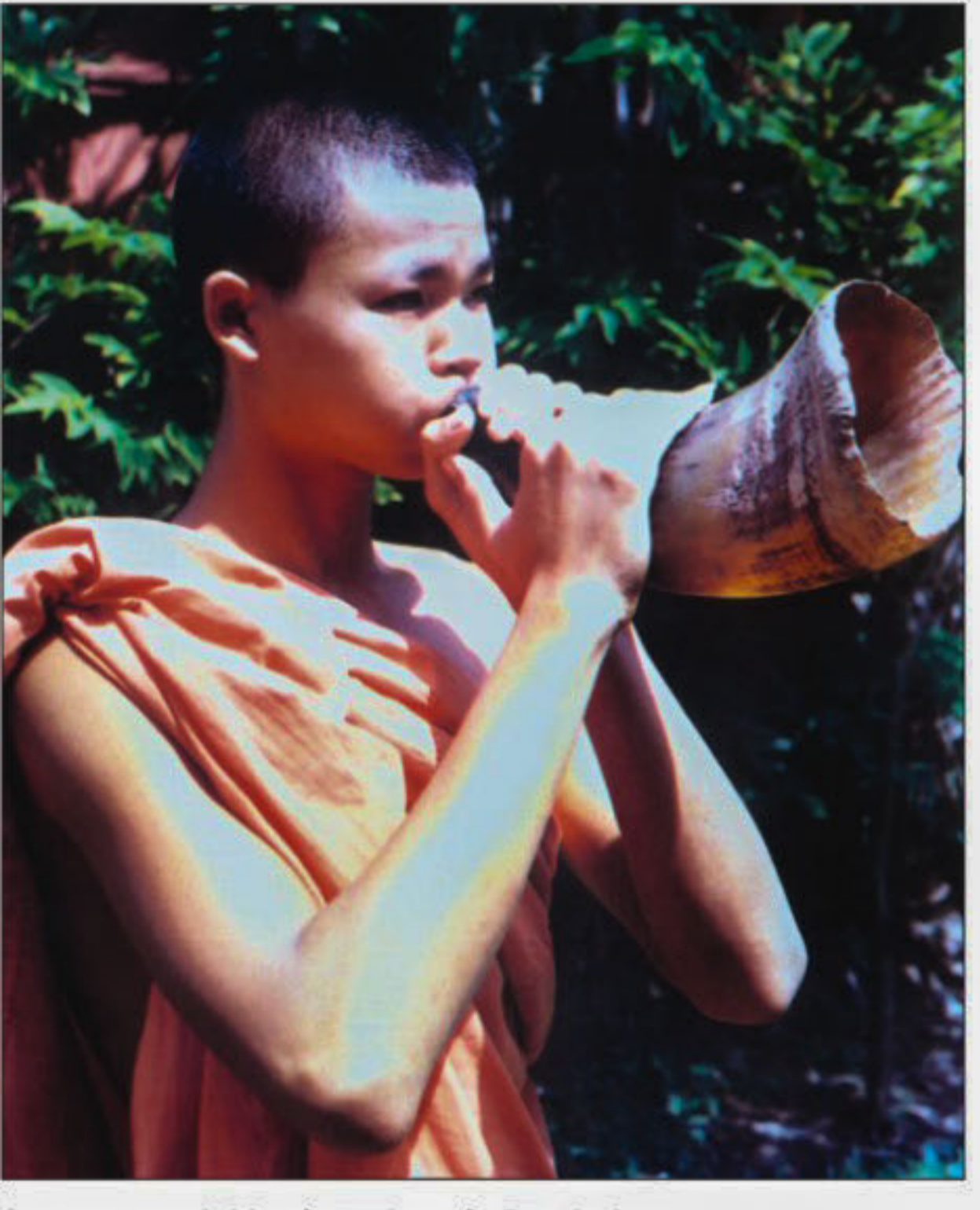
Theatre
 Play: Shesh Sanglaap
 Troupe: Shomoy Natyadal
 Venue: Experimental Theatre Hall, Shilpakala Academy
 Date: January 23
 Time: 6:30pm



Theatre
 Play: Kanthal Bagan
 Troupe: Nagarik Natya Sampraday
 Venue: Experimental Theatre Hall, Shilpakala Academy
 Date: January 21
 Time: 7:30pm



Buddhist life in Bangladesh under the lens



A young monk blowing a horn in Bandarban.



Last rites of a monk.

TAKIR HOSSAIN

Freelance photographer MA Taher has been working on a gamut of subjects since the 1980s. Though he embarked on photography as a hobby, he gained acclaim in the course of a few years and became seriously immersed in framing images.

Taher has a number of photo albums on noted personalities like National Professor Kabir Chowdhury, the late poet Shamsur Rahman and singer Kalim Sharafi.

Several years ago, he published a book titled "Indigenous People of Chittagong Hill Tracts of Bangladesh". The book has detailed information on the indigenous communities living in the Hill Tracts. "Birds of Bangladesh" and "Flowers of Bangladesh" are the other two publications by Taher where one can get comprehensive information on Bangladeshi flora and fauna.

"I am attracted to subjects which have historical value. My works also focus on indigenous life, wildlife and renowned personalities. I am interested in

these subjects and want to document them. At the same time, there are many species of animals, which are endangered in our country. The archaeological sites are being destroyed. I want to preserve them through my photographs," said Taher.

Taher's solo photography exhibition is now on at Atish Hall, Dharmarajik Maha Buddha Vihara, Mayakanan, Kamalapur in Dhaka.

The exhibition highlights Buddhist life in Bangladesh. The colourful images are informative and portray Buddhist culture, traditions, varied rituals and more.

A book titled "Buddhists of Bangladesh" was also launched at the inauguration of the exhibition on January 15 at the Dharmarajik Maha Buddha Vihara. National Professor Kabir Chowdhury, educationist Professor Zillur Rahman Siddiqui, Professor Abdullah Abu Sayeed, poet Belal Chowdhury, writer Hasnat Abdul Hye, archaeologist Enamul Haq and Ven. Suddhanda Mahathero were present on the occasion.

The chief attraction of Taher's exhibition lies in the simplicity of the images. One will find here portraits of

the past glorious traditions of Bangladeshi Buddhists. Among the pictures presented are the Somepur Vihar in Paharpur, the Shalbon Vihar in Mainamati, and the monasteries in Cox's Bazar and Chittagong Hill Tracts. There are also photographs of various Buddhist religious ceremonies and social functions such as 'Kathin Chibar Daan', 'Shangha Daan', a monk blessing a newly wedded couple, 'Probrojya' festival, Buddhist monks praying, paying homage to the 'Bodhi' tree and others.

Other images feature rather everyday activities like monks taking meals, monks with begging bowls, a senior Buddhist monk blessing a young monk, newly ordained monks at Kamalapur Buddhist Temple etc.

"I grew up in an area which is adjacent to the Buddhist Vihar. Since childhood, I have been familiar with all the rituals and festivities of Buddhists. The playground, the pond where I used to swim -- all were inside the Buddhist Vihar. My attachment to the community inspired me to publish this book," Taher said.

The exhibition ends on January 22.



The grand finale of New Zealand Dairy Products "Diploma Mishti Lora" was held at Mohammadpur Residential School and College on January 19. The competition began with 10335 recipes of sweets and desserts from across the country. The finale started with the best 50 recipes and from these, the top 10 were selected. All 50 participants were given gift packs. The best entry was awarded with a trip to Australia. The event was followed by a cultural programme. Channel 1 and Radio Today were media partners of the event.



A ten-day exhibition titled "Ranghnanu" was inaugurated on January 15 at the Nalinikanta Bhattashali Gallery, National Museum. Organised by Rang, the exhibition features 47 installations highlighting the use of various colours in everyday life. The exhibition will continue till January 25 and is open to all -- Saturday to Wednesday, from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm, and on Thursdays and Fridays, from 3:30 pm to 7:30 pm.



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
 11:00 Aamader Aangina
 11:30 Krishi Katha
 12:30 Maa O Shishur Katha
 01:00 Metho Shur
 01:30 Shukhi Poribar
 03:05 TV Series: Ali Baba Chollish Chor
 03:30 Documentary: Maa O Shishu
 04:30 Musical Programme: Sangeeta Sisimpur
 05:05 Monihar
 07:00 Mukti Juddha Protidin
 07:40 Phirey Dekha
 08:25 Amar Bangladesh
 08:30 Ontorey Ontorey
 09:00 Drama of the week: Ektu Khani Bhalobasha
 10:25 Aajker Bishoy
 10:50 Gaaner Jhormatolay
- ATN BANGLA**
 08:30 Drama Serial: Kothay Pabo Tarey
 09:10 Kaandey Amar Maa
 09:20 Asian City Top Spin
 10:30 Talk Show: Hello Bangladesh
 11:10 Bangla Feature Film
 02:30 Cinema Cinema
 03:10 Sundor Jiboner Jonyo
 04:25 Banijyomela Protidin
 08:00 Drama Serial: Batasher Ghar
 08:40 Drama Serial: Dayebondhon
 09:20 Drama Serial: Pashapashi
 11:30 Bibeker Kachhey Proshno
 12:00 Grameenphone Lead News
- CHANNEL 1**
 08:05 Tagore Song
 08:30 Shokaal-er Gaan
 08:40 Ajker Chaakri
 09:30 Shangbaadpotrey Bangladesh
 09:45 Public Reaction
 09:50 Talk Show: Grameenphone Tritiomatra
 11:30 Musical Programme: Surdoria Bagha Gayen
 12:30 Citycell Taroka Kathan
 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 Shangkriti
 04:15 Mukti Judhyo Protidin

- 04:40 Talk Show: Nari Unnayan Shakti
 05:30 Rupantor
 06:20 Banglar Pothey
 07:50 Cookery Show
 08:25 Drama Serial: Bindu Thekey Britto
 09:30 Drama Serial: Swapnobazar
 11:30 Talk Show: Aaloy Bhuban Bhora
 12:00 Grameenphone Ajker Shangbadpotro
- ntv**
 08:30 Swastho Protidin
 09:30 Drama Serial: Mamuli Ekta Manush
 10:05 Kichhu Katha Kichhu Gaan
 11:00 Apnar Jigyasha
 12:10 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy
 01:05 Cartoon: Mina
 02:35 Drama Serial: Kachh-er Manush
 03:20 Drama Serial: Shanto Kutir
 04:10 Quiz Show: Janar Achhey

- 03:30 Dehatori
 04:02 Drama Serial: Bandhon
 04:30 Swapnopuri
 05:25 Sanskriti Shamachar
 06:30 Deshjurey
 07:50 With Aloka Ygni
 09:30 Ekusher Chokh
 10:10 Baula Antor
 12:02 Ekusher Raat
- RTV**
 09:00 Look at Me
 09:30 Star and Sports
 10:00 Drama Serial: Monkora
 10:45 Taroka Alap
 11:30 Share Update
 12:30 Drama Serial: Shey Amar Ekla Pakhi
 02:03 Bangla Feature Film Protidin
 06:00 Road to Democracy
 09:25 Drama Serial: Tobou Boshonto
 10:10 Drama Serial: Dui Pokkhho
 11:30 Tomaar Jonyo Amar Ei Gaan

- 09:45 Daily Soap: Gulshan Avenue
 11:25 Janotar Mukhomukhi
- DESH TV**
 12:15 Dur Paath
 03:30 Gan-er Shur-er Ashon Khani
 04:30 Dur Duranto
 06:02 Rupali Geeti Chhanda
 07:45 Musical Show: Murchhonor Shabdojal
 09:45 Drama: Nikhoj
 11:45 Talk Show: Shoja Katha
- CHANNEL 1**
 08:40 Shuprobhat Bangladesh
 09:10 Events of the Day
 10:30 Rang Beronger Khabor
 11:00 Bangla Feature Film
 03:30 Drama Serial: Kancher Putul
 04:00 Drama Serial: Garbhotharini
 04:30 Baul Fusion
 05:15 Gollachhut
 06:00 Saanjh Bela
 08:15 Drama Serial: Gorbhotharini
 09:00 Drama Serial: Young Craze

- 09:00 Tmz 153
 09:30 Spy Game
 12:00 The Ruins
- ZEE STUDIO**
 08:30 Mumford
 10:50 The Wedding Date
 01:30 Jane Eyre
 02:40 Art School Confidential
 04:50 Half Light
 05:05 Bailey's mistakes
 07:30 Dirty Dancing Havana Nights
 09:30 The Lady Killers
 11:45 Goal
- BBC WORLD**
 10:00 BBC World News
 10:30 HARDtalk
 11:00 BBC World News
 11:30 World Business Report
 12:00 BBC World News
 03:30 HARDtalk
 05:00 BBC World News
 05:30 World Business Report
 05:45 Sport Today

- 10:30 Haunting: Where Evil Lurks
- TRAVEL & LIVING**
 10:30 La Ink 2: 66 Nikkis
 02:00 Take Home Chef 2
 02:30 Vip Weekends With Ian Wright -Spain: The Domecq Family
 03:30 Lonely Planet Six Degrees 2
 05:00 Feast Bazaar
 05:30 Globe Trekker 11
 06:30 Miami Ink 3
 08:00 Take Home Chef 2
 12:30 Globe Trekker 11: Malaysia - Penang, Malacca & Borneo
- FOX HISTORY & ENTERTAINMENT**
 08:30 Creative Vision
 09:30 Paul Merton in India: Punjab Commando - On The Frontline: Royal Marines To Your Duties
 11:30 Creative Vision
 12:30 Mera India: Bollywood Mein Hindi
 03:30 Beatles Biggest Secrets: Part 1
 06:30 Space - Unearthed: Space - Life
 07:30 Hitler's Bodyguard: Kill the new Chancellor
 08:30 Commando - On The Frontline: Enemy Contact
 09:30 Deadliest Warrior: Spartan vs. Ninja
 10:30 Paul Merton in India: Punjab The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes: The Copper Beches
- STAR SPORTS**
 06:00 Australian Open 2010 (Live)
 07:00 Australian Open 2010 (Live)
 07:30 Australian Open 2010
 08:30 International Motorsport News 2010
 09:30 Score Tonight
 10:00 TNA Sikanter 09/10
 11:00 Behind The Baseline
 12:30 Australian Open 2010
- STAR CRICKET**
 03:15 ICC U-19 Cricket World Cup '10 India vs. England (Live)
 11:00 Cricket Extra 2010
 06:00 Prince Of Trinidad Programme
 06:30 Champions League T20 '09 H/L
 07:30 ICC U-19 Cricket World Cup 2010 H/Is
 08:30 3 Mobile Test Series - (3rd Test /match) H/Is
 09:30 Cricket Headers Jan 2010
 09:32 Champions League T20 '09 H/L
 11:00 Timed Out 2010
 11:00 Cricket Extra 2010
 11:30 Cricket Headers Jan 2010
 11:32 ICC U-19 Cricket World Cup 2010 H/Is



Nikhoj
 On Desh TV at 9:45pm
 Single Episode TV Play
 Cast: Apurba, Tinni

abc radio FM 89.2
 06:00am Bhorer Janjalay
 09:00am Mokkurto Jiboney
 12:00pm Darun Dipuray
 03:00pm Duranto Bikeley
 05:00pm Shondha Tara
 07:00pm Shaj-er Maya
 09:00pm Rast-er Akashy
 11:00pm Golper Shesh Nei

RADIO FOORTI 88.0 FM
 07:30am Hello Dhaka
 10:00am Morning Express
 12:30pm No Tension
 04:00pm Dhaka Calling
 09:00pm Full Volume
 11:00pm Back to Back music

RADIO TODAY 89.6 FM
 07:15am Good Morning Dhaka
 11:00am Must Unlimited
 01:00pm Today's Adda
 04:00pm U Turn
 08:00pm Tabey Tai Hok
 12:00am Today's Happy Moments

Dirty Dancing
 HAVANA NIGHTS
 On ZEE STUDIO at 7:30pm

- 05:35 Bolar Achhey
 06:10 Chetonay Islam
 06:40 Shubho Shondha
 08:15 Musical Programme: Amaro Gaitey Ichha Holo
 09:00 Drama Serial: Ekta Kinley Ekta Free
 09:45 Reality Show: The Challenge
 09:45 Drama Serial: Dhupchhaya
 11:30 Music Euphony
- ETV**
 08:30 Ekusher Shokaal
 09:30 Drama Serial: Jahur Ali Jahuri
 10:02 Cine Hits
 01:30 Ekusher Business

- BANGLAVISION**
 08:30 Drama Serial: Megh Bondhu
 09:00 Drama Serial: Diba Ratri Khola Thakey
 10:10 Special Programme/Drama
 11:35 Ebong Classer Bairey
 12:30 Banglavision Top Ten
 01:30 Drama Serial: Gulshan Avenue
 02:30 Tele-film/ Drama
 04:05 Drama Serial: Swapnochura
 05:25 Music Vision
 06:05 Shyamol Bangla
 06:40 Point of Order
 08:15 Drama Serial: Patiganit
 09:05 Media Bhuban

- 09:45 Events of the Day
 11:00 Music Wagon
- DIGANTA TV**
 08:05 Shubram Shokal
 12:30 Score Card
 08:05 Public Parliament
 09:25 Pothey Prantorey
 10:00 Prime Time
 11:05 Diganta Sanglap
- HBO**
 10:30 The Ruins
 12:30 Sydney White
 02:30 Across The Universe
 05:00 Flight Of Fury
 07:00 Eight Legged Freaks

- 06:00 World News Today
 07:00 World News Today
 09:00 BBC World News
 09:30 Kill Or Cure?
 10:00 World News Today
 11:00 BBC World News
 11:30 World Business Report
 11:45 Sport Today
 12:00 BBC World News
- DISCOVERY CHANNEL**
 10:30 Nextworld: Fture Life On Earth
 11:30 Build It Bigger: Nasa
 05:30 Haunting: Spirits Of The Dead
 06:30 Forest Tigers: Sita's Story Part 1
 07:30 Man Vs. Wild: Costa Rican