

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Film Screening

Organiser: Zahir Raihan Film Society and Alliance Francaise de Dhaka
 Venue: Auditorium, Alliance Francaise, 26, Mirpur Road, Dhanmondi
 Date: February 11-20
 Time: 5pm onwards
 Today: 'Le Divorce' & 'Frantic'



Duet Art Exhibition

Artists: Tajuddin Ahmed and Kamal Kabir
 Venue: Tivoli Art Gallery, F-33, Second Circle, DCC Market, Gulshan.
 Date: February 8-22
 Time: 10am-8pm



Group Art Exhibition

Title: Relationship in four ways
 Venue: Drik Gallery, H-58, R-15A, Dhanmondi
 Date: February 12-17
 Time: 5pm onwards



Solo Printmaking Exhibition

Artist: Kamruzzaman
 Venue: Zainul Gallery, University of Dhaka
 Date: February 9-18
 Time: 12pm-8pm



Henna festival celebrating spring

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

The first day of Spring (*Boshonto*) was celebrated with a Henna Festival (*Mehedi Utshab*) in Pabna last Saturday. Path Finder Computer Institute organised the daylong programme. The festival was inaugurated in Pabna Edward College (PEC).

Parvin Akter, lecturer of PEC, inaugurated the festival. Students of the college adorned her hands with henna to inaugurate the festival. A discussion was also held on the occasion.

Among the speakers were Parvin Akter; managing director of Path Finder Abul Kalam Azad Liton and director Tofazzal Hossain Tutul. The speakers stressed the significance of the henna festival in Bengali culture.

Spring is the king of the seasons to Bengalis. It is a time of flowers, birds and happiness. Since the days of yore, the people of Bengal have celebrated spring amidst festivity. The henna festival represents the typical rural culture. Through this festival we recall our heritage, speakers were of the view.

Earlier several hundred female students gathered at the college campus attired in yellow. They ushered in spring with a cultural programme. Over 300 students of the college used henna on their palms that added to the festive mood on the day.



Girls are seen putting henna on their hands.



TV play "Swapner Bornomala" on Banglavision

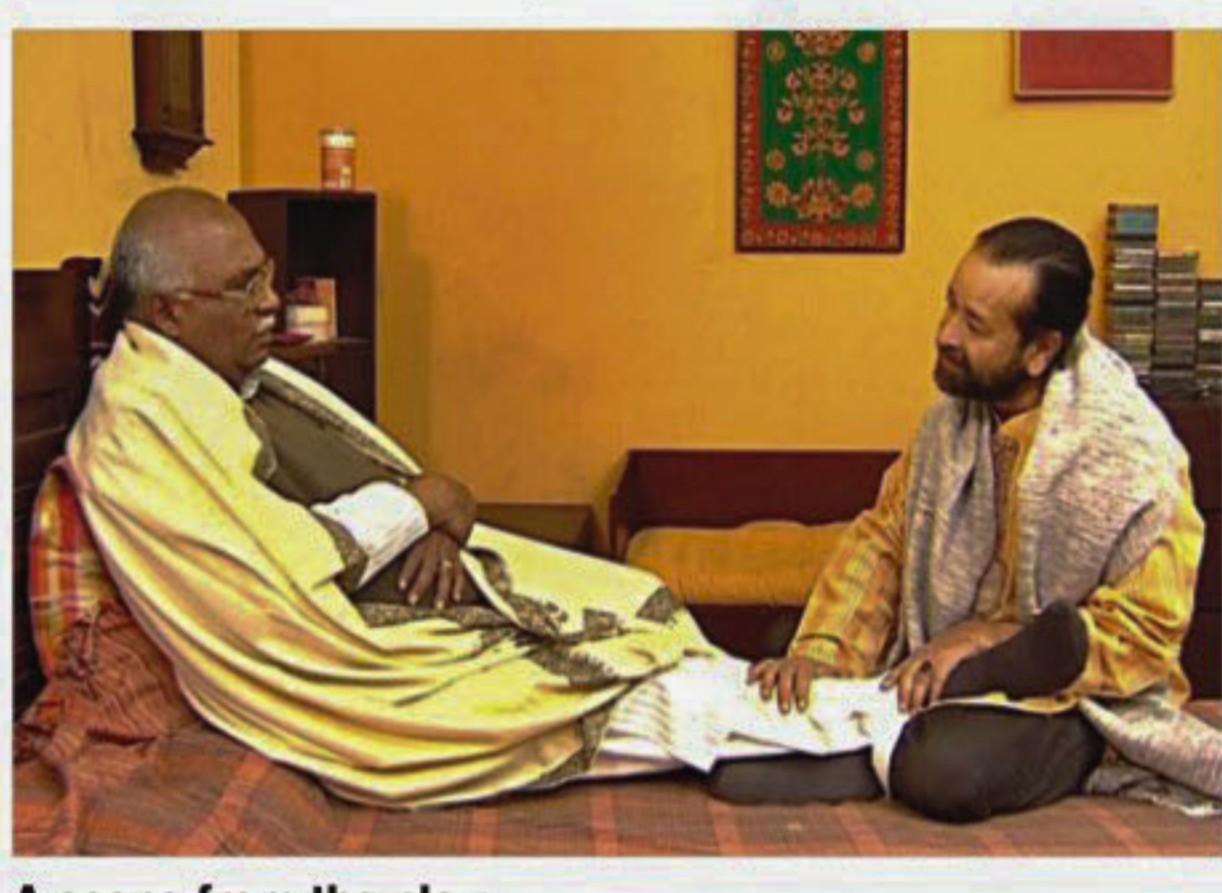
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On the occasion of International Mother Language Day 2010, a single episode TV play "Swapner Bornomala" will be aired on Bangla

vision on February 21, at 9:05pm. Written and directed by Kawnine Saurav, the cast of the play includes Amirul Haq Chowdhury, Kayes Chowdhury, Manosh Bandyopadhyay, Maznun Mizan, Mita Nur and

Munira Mithu.

The play revolves around an octogenarian freedom fighter Amjad Hossain. Despite the presence of his two sons, daughters-in-law and their offspring, Hossain is continuously haunted by dark thoughts about death and the lack of recognition as a freedom fighter. At one point, he thinks of exchanging the frenzied pace of life in the city for a quieter existence in his village. To make this into a reality, he seeks the help of his younger brother Ashraf Siddique, another freedom fighter. Ashraf Siddique secretly tries to narrow down the mental distances amongst the family members.



A scene from the play.

Maqsood unleashes "Impropriety"

Famed singer and lyricist Maqsoodul Haque's collection of 25 poems, titled "The Bangladesh Poet of Impropriety" (Rodella Publication), was unveiled at an informal programme at the auditorium of British Council, Dhaka University on February 13, says a press release.

Noted poet Nadeem Rahman formally launched the book. Secretary to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Mohammad Mijarul Quayes and Professor Syed Manzoorul Islam spoke on the occasion.

Calling Maqsood an "articulate individual," Mijarul Quayes said, "This book

should generate more interest in English poetry by Bangladeshi poets." Professor Manzoorul Islam, who wrote the book's foreword said, "Maqsoodul Haque's songs reflect change in every sphere of our society.

Among others, rockstar Ayub Bachchu, *baul* researcher Abdel Mannan Shajji, filmmaker Tareque Masud and President of Bangladesh Musical Bands Association (BAMBA) Hamin Ahmed were present at the event.

Cultural personalities recited selected poems from the book on the occasion, followed by live music performance.

Tackling a historical royal scandal

Madonna directing "W.E."

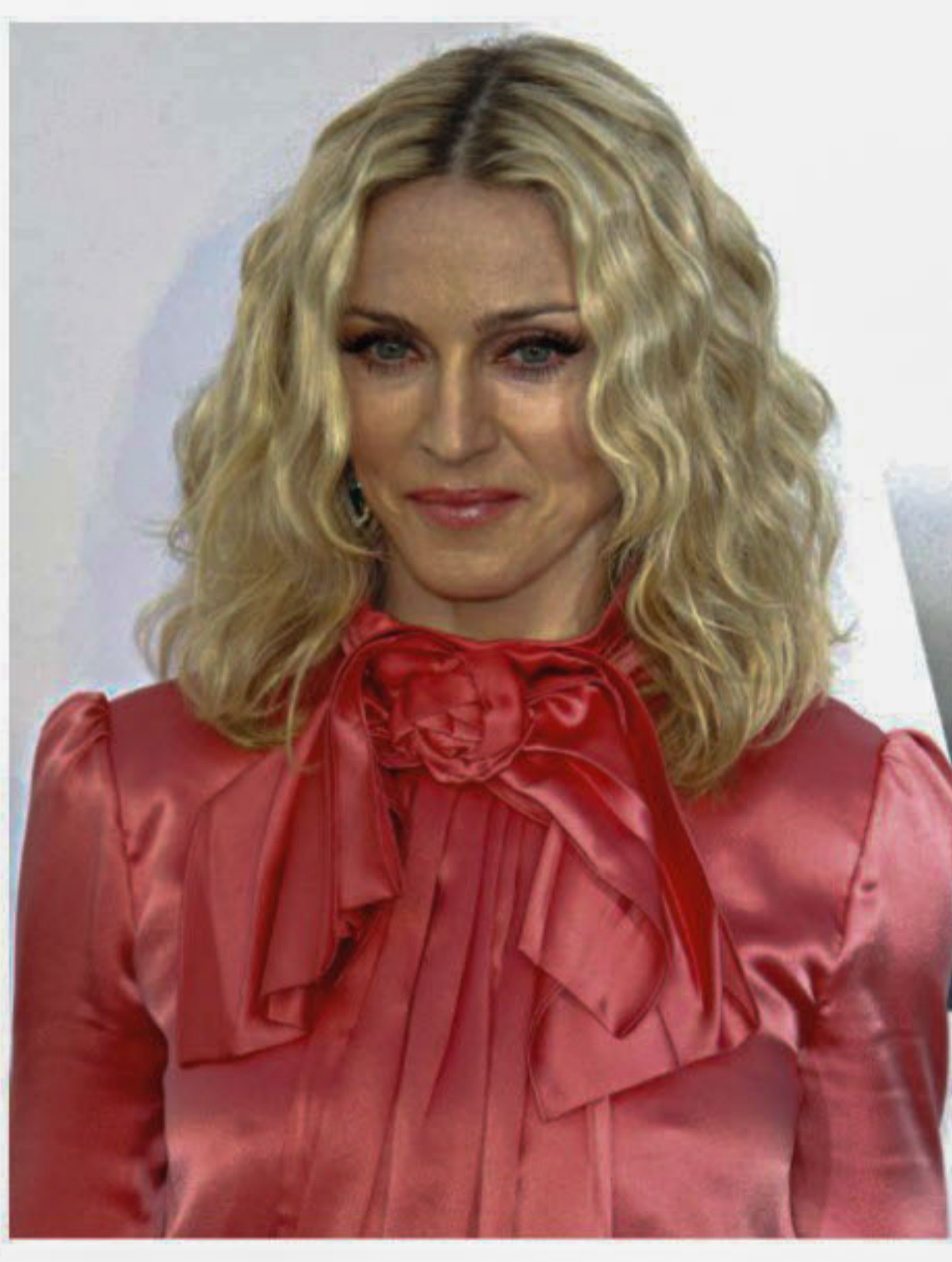
It used to be that most of the scandal Madonna dealt with was what she generated. But for her second stab at directing (after 2008's odd indie "Filth And Wisdom"), she's tackling one of the most famous royal controversies in history -- King Edward VIII's affair with divorcee Wallis Simpson.

"W.E." will follow the events that lead to Edward abdicating from the throne in 1936 so that he could marry his lover, a proposal that dragged the monarchy into constitutional crisis and led him to become one of the shortest ruling British Kings.

Vera Farmiga ("Up In The Air") is currently considering the role of Simpson.

Madonna is currently looking for someone to play Edward, and is also busy working on the script with "Truth Or Dare" director Alex Keshishian.

Source: Internet



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

On Air

- BTV**
 10:05 Open University
 11:00 Anyo Kichhu
 12:10 Chhayachhondo
 12:30 Chhondito Nondito
 01:00 Udbhid O Jibon
 01:30 Lok Lokalay
 03:00 Live telecast from Parliament
 07:45 Phirey Dekha
 08:30 Bhuvan Bhromia Sheshey
 09:00 Shonaar Horin Chai
 09:30 Rupal Porda
 10:25 Agrojatra
- ATN BANGLA**
 09:15 Drama Serial: Jolkona
 10:30 Hello Bangladesh
 11:15 Asian City Vision 2020
 12:15 Shonali Shadakalo
 01:30 ATN Music
 02:30 Mega Serial: Baba
 Drama Serial: O Amar Chokkhu Nai
 03:10
 03:45 Children's Programme
 04:25 Agricultural Programme: Shomali Din
 05:15 Obaraam Bangladesh
 05:45 Boimela Protidin
 06:15 Kathamala
 08:00 Drama Serial: Chirodin-er Katha
 08:45 Drama Serial: Tomato Ketchup
 Drama Serial: Kothay Pabo Tarey
 11:30 Drama Serial: Hothat Shimantey
 12:00 Grameenphone Lead News
- CHANNEL i**
 08:05 Rabindra Sangeet
 08:30 Shokaler Gaan
 08:40 Ajker Chakri
 09:30 Shanbadpotrey Bangladesh Public Reaction
 09:45 Grameenphone Tritio Matra
 11:05 Musical Programme
 News (Bangla): 9:00am, 11:00 am, 1:00pm, 3:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:00pm, 11:00pm
abc radio
 News: 08:00 am, 12:00 pm, 03:00 pm, 06:00 pm, 09:00 pm, 12:00 am;
 English Bulletin: 1:30pm, 7:30pm
RADIO TODAY
 News: 08:45 am, 01:45pm, 06:45pm, 09:45pm, 11:45pm

- 05:30 Drama Serial: Bhunush
 05:50 Business Show
 06:20 TV Series: Robin Hood
 07:30 Meridian Channel i Khudey Gaanraaj
 11:30 Drama Serial: E Bhora Badar Mah Bhadar
 12:00 Grameenphone Ajker Shangbadpotro
- ntv**
 08:25 Swastho Protidin
 08:45 Drama Serial: Graduate
 09:30 Unnoyoner Jonyo Shondorjo
 10:05 Drama Serial: Ekta Kinley Ekta Free
 11:00 Shangkriti Ei Shoptaho
 11:30 Shomporko
 12:10 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy
 01:05 Japan Video Topic
 02:30 Drama Serial: Kachher Manush
 03:15 Dhupchhaya
 04:10 Quiz Show: Janar Achhey

- 11:30 Ekusher Business
 02:02 Ekusher Chokh
 03:30 Drama
 04:30 Elating Belating
 05:25 Binodon-er Bishwa
 05:45 Sports Plus
 06:30 Deshjurey Shlanglaap
 08:20 Drama Serial: Poster
 09:30 Drama Serial: Zahuruli Zahuri
 10:10 Talk Show: Golpo Solpo Gaan
 11:45 Amader Boimela
- Rtv**
 08:00 Ei Din
 09:00 Good Shot
 10:45 Taroka Alap
 11:30 Share Update
 12:30 Crime Focus
 02:03 Bangla Feature Film
 06:03 Protidin
 06:45 Nari O Nokhyotro
 07:45 Road To Democracy
 09:25 Reality Show: Black Horse
 RTV Golden Key

- 10:10 Sports Time
 11:35 Cookery Show: Amader Rannaghar
 Housing Barta
 12:30 Drama Serial: Fifty Fifty
 02:30 Drama Serial: Diba Raatri
 03:00 Khola Thakey
 03:30 Cinebit Shadakalo
 05:25 Unnoyoner Bangladesh
 05:55 Protidin-er Boimela
 06:05 Ebong Classer Bairey
 06:40 Point of Order
 08:15 Drama Serial: Babar Hotel
 09:05 Banglavision Top Ten
 09:45 Drama Serial: Diba Raatri
 Khola Thakey
 Raat Biraatey
- CHANNEL 1**
 11:00 Bangla Feature Film
 03:30 Drama Serial: Kaanch-er Putul
 Drama Serial: Gahar Baidha
 04:00 Ekushey Boi Mela
 04:30 Padma Raag
 05:15

- 09:30 Speed Racer
 12:15 Shakespeare In Love
- ZEE STUDIO**
 08:30 Snow
 10:30 Romantic Comedy 101
 01:30 Vanity Fair
 02:30 Confession of a Teenage Drama Queen
 04:40 Good will Hunting
 07:20 Art School Confidential
 09:30 Goal
 12:05 Double Take
- STAR MOVIES**
 07:45 Impostor
 09:45 Airheads
 11:40 Cursed
 01:40 Dick Tracy
 03:45 College Road Trip
 05:30 AVPR Aliens vs Predator Requiem
 07:25 Home Alone
 09:30 The Mutant Chronicles

- 01:45 Sport Today
 02:00 BBC World News
 02:30 World Business Report
 02:45 Sport Today
 03:00 BBC World News
 03:30 HARDtalk (r)
 04:00 BBC World News
 05:30 World Business Report
 05:45 Sport Today
 06:00 GMT with George Alagiah
 07:00 Impact Asia with Mishal Husain
 08:30 World Business Report
 08:45 Sport Today
 09:00 BBC World News
 09:30 HARDtalk (r)
 10:00 The Hub with Nik Gowing
 11:30 World Business Report
 11:45 Sport Today
- ESPN**
 09:00 Vancouver 2010 Olympic Winter Games - Figure Skating
 11:00 EPL Masters Football Malaysia Cup 2009
 02:30 Vancouver 2010 - Day 4 - Morning H/L
 03:30 Pac - 10 Men's Basketball Match: UCLA vs. USC
 05:30 2009 World Cup Of Trick Shots
 06:30 Vancouver 2010 - Day 4 - Afternoon H/L
 07:30 NBA Action 2009/10
 08:00 Simply The Best
 08:30 Sportscenter India
 09:00 Sportscenter Asia
 09:30 Vancouver 2010 - Day 4 - Morning H/L
 10:30 Sportscenter India
 11:00 Sportscenter Asia
 11:30 India Down Under Programme Match: India vs. Pakistan



Boimela Protidin
 On ATN Bangla at 5:45 pm
 Live telecast of Ekushey Book Fair

- abc radio FM 89.2**
 09:00 Mukhitor Jiboney
 12:00 Darun Dupurey
 03:00 Duranto Bikoley
 05:00 Shondhata
 07:00 Shajer Maya
 09:00 Raat-er Akashey
 11:00 Golper Shesh Nei
- RADIO FOORTI 88.0 FM**
 07:30 Hello Dhaka
 10:00 Morning Express
 12:00 My Time
 01:00 No Tension
 04:00 Dhaka Calling
 09:00 Night Rider
 01:00 Back to Back music
- RADIO TODAY 89.6 FM**
 07:15 Good Morning Dhaka
 11:00 Musti Unlimited
 01:00 Today's Adda
 04:00 U Turn
 08:00 Today's Hok
 11:00 Raat Sher Gaan
 12:00 Today's Happy Moments



- 05:30 Bolaar Achhey
 06:45 Apnaar Jigyasha
 08:15 Crime Watch
 Drama Serial: Mamuli Ekta Manush
 09:00 Glamour World
 09:45 Drama Serial: Manush Bodol
 11:30 Boi Boshontey
 11:40 Special Interview of Shahrukh Khan
- ETV**
 08:30 Ekusher Shokaal
 09:30 Drama Serial: Lolita
 10:02 O Bondhu Amar
 10:50 Financial Bulletin

- 11:30 Very Filmy
- DESH TV**
 12:15 Dur Paath
 04:30 Bazarey Notun
 05:02 Cartoon
 05:30 Baati Ghar
 06:02 Boimela
 07:45 Binodon Dunia
 08:15 Drama Serial: Jolpori
 09:45 Drama Serial: Phirey Phirey Ashi
- 10:30 Total Sports
 11:45 Shoja Katha
- BANGLAVISION**
 08:30 Bhalo Thakun

- 06:00 Saajbela
 07:00 Nongor
 08:15 Drama Serial: Gohor Baidha
 09:00 Drama Serial: Kaanch-er Putul
 09:45 Events of the Day
 11:00 Doctors Voice
- HBO**
 08:00 Coneheads
 10:00 Bernard And Doris
 12:00 Hollywood One On One 73
 12:30 Radio
 02:45 Dragonheart
 04:45 Loving Leah
 06:45 Star Trek First Contact
 09:00 Tmz 171

- 11:45 Pulp Fiction
- BBC WORLD**
 09:00 BBC World News
 09:30 Asia Business Report
 09:45 Asia Today (r)
 10:00 BBC World News
 10:30 HARDtalk
 11:00 BBC World News
 11:30 World Business Report
 11:45 BBC World News
 12:00 BBC World News
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 12:45 BBC World News
 01:00 BBC World News
 01:30 World Business Report

- 03:30 Hitz 09/10
 04:00 Behind The Baseline
 04:30 TNA Xplosion 09/10
 05:30 2009 Superleague Formula Season
 06:30 TNA Impact 09/10
 08:30 World Of Gymnastics
 09:00 Fina Aquatics World
 09:30 Score Tonight
 10:00 TNA Impact 09/10
 12:00 Bwf Super Series - Hong Kong Open