

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

**Film Screening**  
Four films by Tanvir Mokammel  
**Organiser:** Bangladesh Film Centre  
**Venue:** Bangladesh Film Centre, 160, Lake Circus, Kalabagan  
**Date:** February 21  
**Time:** 10:30am onwards



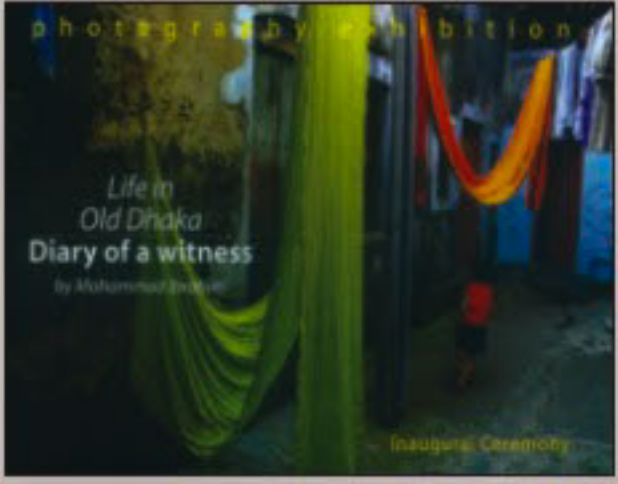
**Recitation Programme**  
**Recitor:** Dalia Ahmed  
**Venue:** Main Auditorium, National Museum, Shahbagh  
**Date:** February 22  
**Time:** 7pm



**Solo Painting Exhibition**  
**Artist:** Rokeya Sultana  
**Title:** The Mystique Empire  
**Venue:** H-275/F, R-27, Dhanmondi  
**Date:** February 19-March 2  
**Time:** 12pm-8pm



**Solo Photography Exhibition**  
**Photographer:** Mohammad Ibrahim  
**Title:** Life in Old Dhaka  
**Venue:** Drik Gallery, H-58, R-15A, Dhanmondi  
**Date:** February 19-21  
**Time:** 3pm-8pm



# Timeless Baul songs in an urban avatar

*Soulful renditions by Bangla and Jazmin*



highlighted the band's forte and devotion towards folk music.

Bangla is one of the pioneering contemporary bands that have generated a mass interest in Lalon's songs among the young music enthusiasts. So far the band has released two albums featuring several Lalon numbers.

At Amazon Club, Bangla's performance was predictably dominated by Lalon songs. Songs like "Guru Prem Korbi Jodi" and "Torey Na Dekhiley Mori" that the group performed at the concert are little known to young music fans. Bangla's effort to introduce a wide range of Lalon songs to youngsters should be appreciated, expressed some in the audience.

Another noticeable aspect was that the members of the band frequently changed their instruments. During Anusheh's rendition of "Nodir Kul-er Lagi Ami Kandi", Kartik, who was playing lead guitar so far, took a break. Buno, who mainly plays bass, took the lead guitar, while Arnob (usually on acoustic guitar) played bass. Anusheh was on mandira.

Bodhi and Ratul -- both members of the Indian band Taalantra -- joined Bangla during their performance. Kanganini Sufia also took the stage and sang a couple of songs, including her classic, "Buri Hoilam Tor Karoney".

Seth Blumberg, lead guitarist and vocalist of Jazmin, joined Bangla towards the end of their performance. After Bangla's performance, other three members of the American band - Armando Cepeda (bass guitar and vocals), Jesse Charnow (drums) and Leo Dombecki (keyboard and saxophone) -- joined Seth. Their first performance was an instrumental that was dominated by Leo's saxophone.

The troupe rendered some of their original numbers and also covered popular songs like Bob

Marley's "Stir It Up".

Using their roots and training, Jazmin fuses Blues, Soul, Jazz, and Indian Classical elements to craft their sound. The troupe of multi-talented musicians has performed at some major festivals such as Montreux Jazz Festival, New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival and Chicago Blues Festival.

Shadhona -- a centre for advancement of South Asian music and dance -- along with the event management group Carnival arranged the programme.

### "Baul n' Beyond" today

Today, an international event titled "Baul n' Beyond" will be held at the Hall of Fame, Bangabandhu International Conference Centre. Shadhona and Carnival has arranged the event. Bauls from Kushtia, including Rob Fakir, Alauddin Biswas and Baul Shafi Mandal, along with Kanganini Sufia and bands Bangla (Bangladesh), Taalantra (India) and Jazmin (USA) will perform at the concert.

The goal of the event is to understand the Baul philosophies through a musical journey.

The two-hour-long concert will start at 7pm. Tannoy Bose, eminent Indian tabla player and leader of the band Taalantra, is conducting the musical. The event will feature folk, classical, jazz and contemporary music. The event is supported by JAAGO Foundation. Lubna Mariam of Shadhona informed that though the organisation has been so far promoting classical music, from now on it would work to revive Baulsongs.

# Ekushey Book Fair begins in Panchagarh-Thakurgaon

QUAMRUL ISLAM RUBAIYAT, Thakurgaon

A weeklong Ekushey Book Fair began in Panchagarh last Friday afternoon.

Panchagarh district administration organised the event at Martyred Freedom Fighters' Monument (Shaheed Muktijoddha Smriti Stambha) premises in the town.

Lawmaker of Panchagarh-, Mazharul Haque Proddhan, inaugurated the fair. A discussion was followed by poetry recitation and cultural function.

Books enlighten the society, the speakers asserted. They said that books play a pivotal role in eliminating ignorance, narrow-mindedness and corruption from the society.

Speakers urged all to develop reading habits and encourage others to read as well. Referring to the spirit of the Language Movement, they called upon all to uphold the values of the movement. It was the root of the Liberation War, they added.

The speakers also emphasised the need to hold such events and cultural programmes to generate interest in our heritage among the people.

Deputy Commissioner of Panchagarh, Banamali Bhowmick, presided over the discussion.

Among others, Principal of Panchagarh Mokolbulur Rahman Government College, Professor Giasuddin; Mayor of Panchagarh Municipality, Towhidul Islam and AL Leader ATM Sarwar Hossain spoke on the occasion.

After discussion, Panchagarh Kabita Parishad held a programme titled "Bojrankanthey Uccharon", featuring solo and group recitations.

Artists of District Shilpakala Academy staged a cultural show titled "Ekush Amar Ahankar". Highlight of the event were patriotic songs.

On the first day, a good number of enthusiastic people thronged the fair premises.

Two new books -- a novel "Bhalobashar Onek Rong" and poetry "Birangana" -- were launched at the fair. Around 35 stalls have been set up at the fair, which will continue till February 25.

Discussions, cultural programmes, competitions and plays would be held every evening at the fair premises, according to organisers.

# Musical programme "Bhashar Gaan" on Banglavisoin

A CORRESPONDENT

To mark Amar Ekushey, special musical programme "Bhashar Gaan" will be aired on Banglavisoin tonight at 6:40pm.

At the programme, four popular singers will render songs on four different languages. The featured singers are - Fatema-tuz-Zohra, Fahmida Nabi, Mahmuduzzaman Babu and Kairul Anam Shakil.

Javed Iqbal Topu has produced the programme.



Fatema-tuz-Zohra at the programme.

**JAMIL MAHMUD**  
Featuring moving renditions of Baul songs along with a blend of Jazz and Blues, the concert at Amazon Club (Gulshan) on February 19 evening was a treat for contemporary music lovers.



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

## On Air

### ATN BANGLA

- 09:10 Ekusher Prothom
- 10:30 Hello Bangladesh
- 11:15 Talk Show on International Mother Language Day
- 12:10 Bomomala
- 12:45 Promito Bangla
- 01:25 Ekush Asbey Asbei
- 02:30 Bashudha Dhaak Dhol
- 03:10 Duniya Kapano 30 minute
- 05:10 Boimela Protdin
- 05:15 Bashudha Dhaak Dhol
- 06:15 Ekush Amar Golpo
- 08:00 Bangla Amar Ahonkaar
- 08:15 Drama: Murda Forash
- 11:30 Ekusher Katha
- 12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

### CHANNEL-i

- 08:30 Shokaal-er Gaan
- 08:40 Ajker Chakri
- 09:30 Tritomatra
- 10:45 Trust Bank Shorashori Boimela
- 11:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan
- 12:05 Drama: Manush Mondir
- 01:05 Musical Programme: Ebong Cinemar Gaan
- 02:30 Muktijudhyo Protdin
- 03:05 Special Programme
- 04:05 Trust Bank Shorashori Boimela
- 05:30 Special Programme: Bhasha Sainik-er Smriti Katha
- 07:50 Drama: Tumi Thako Shindhu Parey
- 11:30 Special Programme

### ntv

- 08:30 Swasthyo Protdin
- 08:45 Probhaat Pheri
- 12:10 Amar Matri Bhasha
- 12:55 Tomader Jonyo
- 02:30 Amar Desh Amar Gaan
- 03:20 Dunia Kapano 30 Minute
- 04:00 Amar Desh Amar Gaan
- 06:45 Shei Din Ki Ghotekhilo
- 08:15 Drama: Polasher Rang
- 09:45 Documentary Programme: Shomokaal-er Bhashachitra
- 11:30 Boi Boshontey
- 11:55 Amar Bhasha Amar Astitya

### ETV

- 08:30 Ekusheyer Shokal
- 10:02 Ekusher Din Bodoler Swapno
- 11:30 Shamali Shadakalo
- 12:02 Ekusher Dupur
- 12:30 Bhasha Konya
- 01:30 Bangla Feature Film: Jibon Theke Neya
- 05:25 Ekusher Pangtimala
- 06:00 Ekusher Shondha

- 06:30 Bhasha Andolonney Nari
- 07:50 Ekusher Gaan
- 09:30 Bomomala
- 10:10 Drama
- 11:45 Amader Boimela
- Rtv**
- 02:03 Amar Bomomala
- 03:20 Dunia Kapano 30 Minute
- 07:15 Ekushey Boimela
- 07:45 Road To Democracy
- 09:25 Amra Jey Bhashay Katha Boli
- 10:10 Language For Development
- 11:30 Ekushey Ja Kichhu Prothom

- 02:30 Kathakabyo
- 05:25 Amar Bhasha Amar Shur
- 05:55 Protidin-er Boimela
- 06:05 Ekusher Rokto
- 06:40 Bhashar Gaan
- 08:15 Amar Ami
- 09:05 Drama: Swapner Bomomala
- 11:20 Amori Bangla Bhasha
- 12:00 Shangbad Protdin
- DESH TV**
- 12:15 Dur Path
- 03:02 Tele-film: Piriti
- 06:02 Boimela
- 07:45 Celebrity Show

- 11:30 Bornomalar Kabyo
- 12:30 Score Cards
- 01:30 Ami Ki Bhilitey Pari
- 05:30 Bijoyer Bomomala
- 06:05 Shadhin Sharadesh
- 06:30 Ekusher Kobita
- 08:30 Amar Ekush Omor ekush
- 09:00 Drama: Boshiron-er Shondhaney
- ZEE STUDIO**
- 08:30 Herbie Fully Loaded
- 10:50 This time around
- 01:30 Fireflies in the Garden
- 03:35 Alice

- 01:00 Milk (2008)
- 03:15 My Little Eye
- 05:00 Hollywood One On One 74
- 05:30 Chill Out, Scooby-Do!
- 07:00 The Making Of Vantage Point
- 07:15 The Saint
- 09:30 Timeline
- 11:45 No Country For Old Men
- BBC WORLD**
- 08:00 BBC World News
- 08:10 The Doha Debates (r)
- 09:00 BBC World News
- 09:30 Our World: The Cocaine Trail (r)
- 10:00 BBC World News

- 01:30 Talking Movies (r)
- 02:00 BBC World News
- 02:30 Dateline London (r)
- 03:00 BBC World News
- 03:05 This World: Gypsy Child Thieves (r)
- 04:00 BBC World News
- 04:10 This Week (r)
- 04:30 Newsnight (r)
- 03:00 BBC World News
- 03:10 Reporters (r)
- 03:30 Africa Business Report (r)
- 06:00 BBC World News
- 06:30 Click (r)
- 07:00 BBC World News (r)
- 07:15 Sport Today
- 07:30 Extra Time (r) Nwankwo Kanu
- 08:00 BBC World News
- 08:30 Alvin's Guide To Good Business (r)
- 09:00 BBC World News
- 09:10 The Doha Debates (r)
- 10:00 BBC World News
- 10:30 India Business Report (r)
- 11:00 BBC News Special: BAFTA

### STAR SPORTS

- 08:30 Maxis Football Extra
- 09:30 Cyclothon Mumbai 2010
- 11:30 Ace 2010
- 12:00 V8 Supercars Championship Series 2010 - Races
- 02:00 Barclays Premier League 2009/10 Match: West Ham United vs. Hull City
- 04:00 Regions Morgan Keegan Championships - Semi Finals #1 Behind The Baseline
- 05:30 Barclays Premier League 2009/10 Match: Blackburn Rovers vs. Bolton Wanderers
- 08:00 Barclays Premier League 2009/10 Match: Aston Villa vs. Burnley
- 10:00 Barclays Premier League 2009/10 Match: Wigan Athletic vs. Tottenham Hotspur

### ESPN

- 10:15 Vancouver 2010 Olympic Winter Games - Ice Hockey
- 11:30 Vancouver 2010 Olympic Winter Games - Ice Hockey Match: Germany vs. Belarus
- 01:30 Planet Speed 2009/10
- 02:00 Sportscenter Week In Review
- 02:30 Vancouver 2010 - Day 9 - Morning H/L
- 03:30 NBA Action 2009/10
- 04:00 Final Score
- 04:30 World Sport 2010
- 05:00 PBA Tour : Usbc Masters
- 06:30 Vancouver 2010 - Day 9 - Afternoon H/L
- 07:30 Vancouver 2010 - Day 9 - Morning H/L
- 08:30 Super Sunday
- 08:55 Barclays Premier League 2009/10 Match: Manchester City vs. Liverpool



**Jibon Theke Neya**  
On Ekushey TV at 1:30 pm  
Bangla Feature Film  
Cast: Khan Ata, Rawshan Jamil

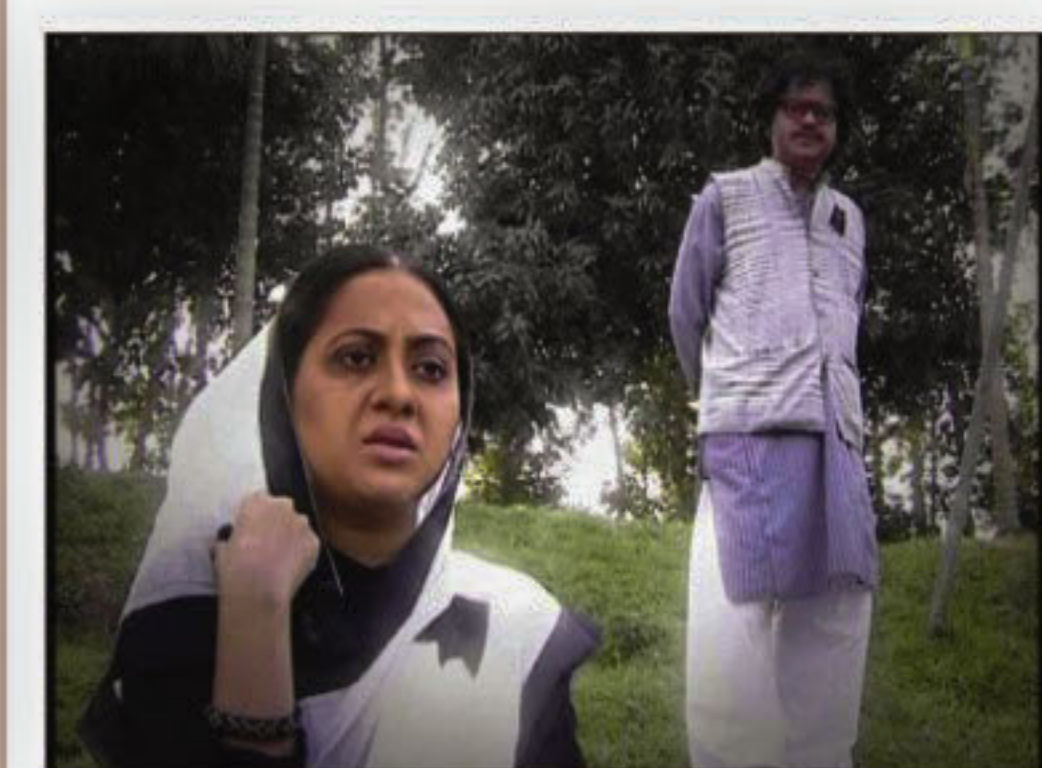


**Murda Phorash**  
On ATN Bangla at 8:45 pm  
Single Episode TV play  
Cast: Mamunur Rashid, AFM Hassan

- BANGLAVISION**
- 08:30 Bhindeshir Ontorey
- 09:00 Hridoye Lekha Bomomala
- 10:10 Boimela Protdin
- 11:35 Ekusher Golpo Shuni
- 01:30 Amar Kontho Amar Bhasha

- 08:15 Drama Serial: Shimanto
- 09:45 Drama: Mithyuk
- 11:45 Shoja Katha
- DIGANTA TELEVISION**
- 08:05 Subarno Shokaal
- 09:05 Ekusher Natyokaar

- abc radio FM 89.2**
- 06:05 Bhalobashar Bikalpo Ki
- 12:15 Bhalobashar Campus
- 03:30 Bhalobashir Bikel
- 06:30 Hindi Hits
- 11:30 Sria and Brothers
- 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 Tobey Tai Hok
- 11:00 Raat Bhora Gaan
- 12:00 Today's Happy Moments



**Holuder Rang**  
On ntv at 11:00 am  
Single Episode TV play  
Cast: Tarin, Azad Abul Kalam



**Bishwajoner Matribhasha**  
On Rtv at 5:30 pm  
Special programme on Int'l Mother Language Day

- 06:00 Get shorty on Campus
- 07:30 Under Hellgate Bridge
- 09:30 National Treasure
- HBO**
- 09:30 Leave It To Beaver
- 11:15 The Little Rascals

- 10:30 Newsnight (r)
- 11:00 BBC World News
- 11:30 India Business Report
- 12:00 BBC World News
- 12:30 Fast Track (r)
- 01:00 BBC World News
- 01:10 UK Report (r)