

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

**Ikebana Competition-2010**  
 Venue: Seminar Hall, Bangladesh UNESCO Jatiya Commission, Palashi  
 Date: March 4  
 Time: 10:30am



### Solo Art Exhibition

Title: Poet of Poetry  
 Artist: Kazi Hasan Habib  
 Venue: Gallery Jolrong, Rd 11, H 54, Block F, Banani  
 Date: February 25-March 17  
 Time: 10am-8pm



### Lyrical Drama

Title: Valmiki Prothiba  
 Artists: Shibly Mohammad, Shamim Ara Nipa  
 Organisers: Shurolok & Nityanchal  
 Venue: National Theatre Hall, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy  
 Date: March 12  
 Time: 7pm



### Group Art Exhibition

Venue: Gallery Safetypin, 75, Central Road, Dhanmondi  
 Date: February 5-March 15  
 Time: 11am-8pm



## National Street Theatre Festival begins at Shaheed Minar

A CORRESPONDENT

With the theme "Hano Aghat Churno Karo Maulobad", National Street Theatre Council launched a weeklong street theatre festival at Central Shaheed Minar premises in the city on March 1. Renowned theatre personality Mamunur Rashid inaugurated the festival.

On behalf of the National Street Theatre Council a declaration demanding the trials of war criminals, condemning attacks on indigenous people and denouncing fundamentalism, was presented on the occasion.

Secretary general of Bangladesh Street Thea-

tre Council Mizanur Rahman; vice president of Shammilito Shangskritik Jote Golam Kuddus; general secretary of Bangladesh Group Theatre Federation Jhuna Chowdhury and general secretary of Shammilito Shangskritik Jote Hasan Arif spoke at a discussion presided over by Mannan Hira, president of National Street Theatre Council.

On the first day of the festival, Naboshikha Natyadal of Sylhet, Aranyak Natyadal, Satwik Natyashabha, Natyadip and Shubachan Natya Sangsad staged their plays "Janani Birangana", "Kheksial", "Roshu Khan Othoba Ami", "Razakar-er Kechchha" and "Noromedh" respectively.

## Film starring Kingsley and Bachchan gets ridiculed in foreign press

Any excitement over seeing Ben Kingsley and Amitabh Bachchan turning out histrionic performances in "Teen Patti" was not enough to give the \$7.5 million movie a draw in the lucrative international markets.

Though its distributors in North America and the United Kingdom had not released the box office numbers on Sunday as most distributors do, the grapevine says the film is a dud.

Over the decades, seasoned editors have saved many messy films. But the Oscar winning Hollywood editor Hughes Winborne ("Crash") just could not save "Teen Patti". Director Leena Yadav's second film was even more disastrous than her first film, "Shabd".

"Teen Patti", whose English dialogue was written by the independent Los Angeles filmmaker Ben Rekhi, may not make it easy for Kingsley, who is trying to raise \$30 million for his "Taj Mahal" movie project.

Kingsley plays a pivotal role in the new film -- he plays a mathematician like Bachchan. This is Kingsley's second Indian film, after "Gandhi".

The new movie was ridiculed in the mainstream media.

"Sir Ben Kingsley has never been one to turn down a job, which is why his recent resume includes everything from the current number one movie in America, 'Shutter Island', to a role as a villainous vampire daddy in the 2005 schlockfest 'Bloodrayne'," wrote The Washington Post. "His heroic willingness to cash anyone's check might explain why Kingsley, playing a Cambridge professor, phones in a handful of scenes in the overwrought, overlong, totally bonkers Bollywood thriller 'Teen Patti'."

Though the review complained that Bachchan overdid his part and compared him to Al Pacino, who has become notorious in recent years for his overacting, it showed some sympathy for the Indian thespian.

"Kingsley is paired with one of the great classic stars of the Indian screen, Amitabh Bachchan," the review continued, "who brings such commitment and gravitas to the lead role of Venkat, a tortured Mumbai mathematician, that you almost think he doesn't know how ridiculous his movie is."

"Gandhi meets the Big B in Bollywood's dire riff on a mediocre Hollywood movie (21)..." Time Out London wrote. "Told largely in flashback, with frequent use of inexplicable on-screen montages, this gamble at pushing the Bollywood-envelope is a loser."

The New York Times review said, "Mr Kingsley and Mr Bachchan's scenes together have real charm. They're like two old pros from different leagues tossing a ball around: loose, smooth, in no doubt of their power."

Source: Internet

## Massive head of pharaoh unearthed in Egypt

**Expedition has unearthed wealth of artefacts and statuary in buried ruins**

AP, Cairo

Archaeologists have unearthed a massive red granite head of one Egypt's most famous pharaohs who ruled nearly 3,400 years ago, the Egyptian Supreme Council of Antiquities announced Sunday.

The head of Amenhotep III, which alone is about the height of a person, was dug out of the ruins of the pharaoh's mortuary temple in the southern city of Luxor.

The leader of the expedition that discovered the head described it as the best-preserved sculpture of Amenhotep III's face found to date.

"Other statues have always had something broken: the tip of the nose, the face is eroded," said Dr. Hourig Sourouzian, who has led the Egyptian-European expedition at the site since 1999. "But here, from the tip of the crown to the chin, it is so beautifully carved and polished, nothing is broken."

The head is part of a larger statue found several years ago, along with the parts of the body, the back slab, and the ceremonial beard which Sourouzian says will soon be connected with the head.



The 3,400-year old red granite head, part of a huge statue of the ancient pharaoh Amenhotep III, was unearthed at the pharaoh's mortuary temple in the city of Luxor.

Amenhotep III, who was the grandfather of the famed boy-pharaoh Tutankhamun, ruled from 1387-1348 B.C. at the height of Egypt's New Kingdom and presided over a vast empire stretching from Nubia in the south to Syria in the north.

Sourouzian said the pharaoh was famous for leading Egypt at the peak of its ancient civilisation, when peace and luxury were prevalent throughout the kingdom. Craftsmen were also honing their artistic techniques during the period, which may explain the symmetrical features of the unearthed head.

"But he may have looked exactly as this statue and he may have been a very beautiful, very handsome man," Sourouzian told the Associated Press.

Amenhotep III's massive mortuary temple was largely destroyed, possibly by floods, and little remains of its walls.

The expedition, however, has unearthed a wealth of artefacts and statuary in the buried ruins, including two statues of Amenhotep made of black granite found in March.

## Three-day book fair in Tangail



School students browsing books at the fair. PHOTO: STAR

MIRZA SHAKIL, Tangail

Hundreds of enthusiastic students from local educational institutes, their guardians and many others joined the fair organised in the remote rural area.

Participatory Rural Development Project (PRDP)-2 and Narandia Union Parishad (UP)

jointly organised the book fair at the UP premises.

The stalls have books including novels, poetry compilations, travelogues, adventure, as well as publications on history, science, politics and more -- all authored by prominent Bangladeshi writers.

Tangail Deputy Commissioner M Bazul Karim Chowdhury inaugurated the book fair as the chief guest.

Presided over by Narandia UP Chairman Mozaharul Islam Talukdar, the discussion was addressed by Hasan Imam Khan; Mamunul Islam; Anwar Hossain Mollah and Syeda Salma Begum; AL leaders Abu Nasser and Liakat Sikdar respectively. Local artistes performed songs and dances at the programme.

### News Bulletin

**BTV**  
 News Headlines (Bangla) at 9:00 am.  
 News (Bangla) at 8:00 am 2:00 pm. 5:00 pm. 8:00 pm.  
 News (English) at 10:00am, 4:00 pm, 10:00 pm.  
 Late Night News (Bangla and English) 11:30 pm. (To be telecast on all Bangla channels).

**CHANNEL-i**  
 News (Bangla): 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 2:00 pm, 9:00 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:30 pm  
 Jonopad-er Khobor: 5:15 pm

**ATN BANGLA**  
 NEWS (Bangla): 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm, 11:00 pm, 1:00 am, 4:00 am  
 News Every Hour: 7:00am, 11:00am, 12:00pm, 01:00pm, 3:00pm, 04:00pm  
 News (English): 9:00 am, 6:00 pm.  
 Gram-Ganjer Khobor: 5:00 pm

**BANGLAVISION**  
 News (Bangla) at 7:30am, 1:30pm, 5:00pm, 7:15pm, 10:30pm.  
 News Headlines (Bangla) at 10:00am, 12:00am, 4:00pm.  
 News (English) at 6:00pm

**Rtv**  
 News (Bangla): 2:30 pm, 4:30 pm, 6:30 pm, 8:30 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:30 am

**ntv**  
 News (Bangla): 7:30am, 12:02pm, 2:00pm, 7:30pm, 10:30pm, 1:00am

**ETV**  
 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

### On Air

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

**ATN Bangla**  
 09:10 Kandey Amar Maa  
 09:15 Drama Serial: Jolkona  
 10:30 Hello Bangladesh  
 11:10 Asian City Vision 2020  
 01:25 Musical Programme: Band View  
 02:30 Mega Serial: Baba  
 03:15 Nupurer Chhondey  
 03:45 Children's Programme  
 04:25 Drama Serial: Chhobir Manush  
 05:15 Kaandey Amar Maa  
 05:20 Islamic Programme  
 06:15 Take Care  
 08:00 Travel Show: Rexona Destination Unlimited  
 08:40 Drama Serial: Ghorjamai  
 09:20 Drama Serial: Kothay Pabo Tarey  
 11:30 Talk Show: Talking Point  
 12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

**Channel i**  
 08:05 Tagore Song  
 08:40 Ajker Chakri  
 09:30 Shangadpotrey Bangladesh  
 09:45 Public Reaction  
 11:05 Sports Time  
 11:30 Surdoria Baghagayen  
 12:30 Citycell Taroka Kathon  
 01:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan  
 01:30 Sa Re Ga Ma  
 02:30 Drama Serial: Janak  
 03:30 Meridian Channel i Khudey Gaanraj  
 04:05 Muktijudhyo Protidin  
 04:30 Apnar Shuswashta  
 05:30 Drama Serial: Bhunush  
 06:00 Drama Serial: Kosto Shudhu-i Amar  
 06:20 Cookery Show  
 07:50 Drama Serial: Tulir Telesmati  
 08:25 Drama Serial: Chhayabithi  
 09:35 Drama Serial: Swapnabazar  
 11:30 E Bhora Badar Mah Bhadar  
 12:00 Grameenphone Aajker Shongbadpatra

**ETV**  
 09:30 Drama Serial: Jahur Ali Jahuri  
 10:02 Galpo Shalpo Gaan  
 11:30 Ekushay Business  
 02:02 Desh Jurey Oporadh Porikroma

03:30 DW Global 3000  
 04:02 Drama Serial: Bishkata  
 04:30 Drama Serial: Haka Robyn  
 05:25 TV South Asia Munmun Moments  
 05:45 Sports Plus  
 06:00 Ekusher Shondhya  
 06:30 Campus-e Campus-e  
 07:45 Fashion and Tune  
 08:20 Drama Serial: Poster  
 09:30 Drama Serial: Jahur Ali Jahuri  
 10:10 Cine Hits  
 12:02 Ekusher Raat

**ntv**  
 08:30 Shasthya Protidin  
 08:55 Drama Serial: Mamuli Ekta Manush  
 09:30 Crime Watch  
 10:05 Drama Serial: Ekta Kinley Ekla Free  
 12:10 Ei Shomoy  
 02:30 Drama Serial: Kachher

01:30 Drama Serial: Gulshan Avenue Pakhi  
 02:30 Drama Serial: Fifty Fifty  
 03:05 Drama Serial: Diba Raatri Khola Thakey  
 05:25 Musical Programme: Projapoti Chhoya  
 06:05 Telepress Business  
 06:40 Point of Order  
 08:15 Drama Serial: Megh Bondhu  
 09:05 Shoundarja Kotha  
 09:45 Drama Serial: Gulshan Avenue  
 12:00 Shangbaad Protidin

**Desh TV**  
 12:15 Dur Path  
 04:30 Dur-er Janala  
 05:02 Cartoon  
 06:30 Shangbaad Shondhya  
 07:45 Desh Galpo  
 08:15 Drama Serial: Jolpori  
 09:45 Cookery Show  
 10:30 Total Sports  
 11:45 Talk Show: Shoja Katha

**RTV**  
 08:00 Ei Din  
 09:00 Black Horse RTV  
 Golden Key  
 Very Filmy  
 10:00 Taroka Alap  
 10:45 Share Update  
 11:30 Cookery Show: R Ranna  
 12:30 Bangla Feature Film  
 06:03 Protidin  
 06:45 Amader Dhaka  
 07:30 Road to Democracy  
 09:25 Drama Serial: Mon Kora  
 10:10 Drama Serial: Shey Amar Ekla

**Diganta TV**  
 08:05 Shubarno Shokal  
 12:30 Score Card  
 08:05 I-Tech  
 09:25 Diganta Anoushondhan  
 10:00 Prime Time  
 11:05 Shobaar Agey Desh

**BBC World**  
 09:00 BBC World News  
 09300 Asia Business Report  
 09:45 Asia Today  
 10:00 BBC World News  
 10:30 HARDtalk  
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**abc radio FM 89.2**  
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 09:00 Raat-er Akashey  
 11:00 Galper Shesh Nei

**RADIO FOORTI 88.0 FM**  
 07:30 Hello Dhaka Morning  
 10:00 No Tension  
 12:00 Dhaka Calling  
 04:00 Knight Riders  
 09:00 Knight Riders

**RADIO TODAY 89.6 FM**  
 07:15 Good Morning Dhaka  
 11:00 Masti Unlimited  
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**01:45** Sport Today  
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**06:00** GMT with George Alagiah  
**07:00** Impact Asia with Mishal Husain  
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**09:00** BBC World News

**10:00** Nike Football Locker Room 2009/10  
**10:30** Mobil 1 The Grid  
**11:00** K1 World Grand Prix 2009 - Seoul - Final 16

**ESPN**  
**06:00** Big East Conference Basketball, Match: Villanova vs. Cincinnati  
**08:00** Winter X Games 14  
**11:00** PBA Tour: Earl Anthony Memorial Classic  
**12:30** Barclays Premier League 2009/10, Match: Tottenham Hotspur vs. Everton

**02:30** ACC Sunday Night Hoops, Match: Virginia Tech vs. Duke  
**04:30** Winter X Games Classic : The X Course  
**05:00** PBA Tour: 67th Lumber Liquidators US Open  
**06:30** Gravity Games  
**07:30** Football Focus With John Dykes  
**08:30** Sportscenter India  
**09:00** Sportscenter Asia  
**09:30** 2008 Women's Tournament Of Champions  
**10:30** Sportscenter India  
**11:00** Sportscenter Asia  
**11:30** Hitz 09/10  
**12:00** Planet Speed 2009/10  
**12:30** Winter X Games 14

**HBO**  
**08:30** Desperate Measures  
**10:45** Cloverfield  
**12:30** The Brave One  
**03:00** Romeo Must Die  
**05:15** Jawbreaker  
**07:00** Mr. Deeds  
**09:00** Tmz 182  
**09:30** American Gangster

**ZEE STUDIO**  
**08:30** Dirty Dancing Havana Nights  
**10:30** White Noise  
**01:30** Cassandra's Dream  
**03:50** Lords of Dogtown  
**07:00** Becoming Jane  
**09:30** The Lady Killers  
**11:55** The Talented Mr. Ripley

**NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC CHANNEL**  
**11:00** Creative Vision: Sauna Belt  
**11:30** Bite Me With Dr. Mike Leahy: India  
**12:30** In The Womb: Identical Twins  
**01:30** America's Deadly Obsession: Snakes  
**02:30** Big, Bigger Biggest 2: Aircraft  
**03:30** India: India's Ladyboys  
**04:30** Big Bang: Episode 3  
**05:00** Nat Geo Junior: Science Mein Twist: Sound  
**05:30** I Didn't Know That: Episode 1  
**06:30** Nat Geo Wild: Dangerous Encounters 4: Return To Python Cave  
**07:30** Situation Critical : SAS Jungle Rescue  
**08:30** I Didn't Know That: Episode 1 Is It Real?: UFOs  
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**10:30** Wild Specials: Predator Battleground  
**11:30** Seconds From Disaster: Bali Bombing

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**Ghorjamai**  
 On ATN Bangla at 8:40 pm  
 Drama Serial  
 Cast: Fakhru Hasan Boiragi, Azizul Hakim

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