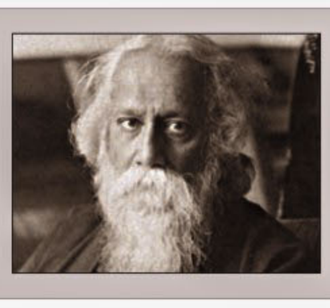
WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Solo Painting Exhibition
Artist: Soumyajit Choudhury
Venue: Radius Centre, Bay's Gallery 57, Gulshan Avenue (5th Floor)
Date: April 2-17

17th Young Artists Art Exhibition 2010
Venue: National Art Gallery, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy
Date: April 2-19
Time: 11am-7pm

CD Launch
Artistes: Salma Akbar & Sajed Akbar
Titled: Tumi Amar Chiro Kaler
Venue: Main Auditorium, National Museum, Shahbag
Date: April 9
Time: 7pm



Chaitrosankrantir Book Fair
Organised by: Adorn Publication
Venue: Central Public Library Premises, Shahbag
Date: April 1-13
Time: 10am 8pm

Centenary of "Geetanjali"

Discussion by Rabindra Academy

Discussants at the programme.

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

To celebrate the centenary of Rabindranath Tagore's Nobel Prize winning work "Geetanjali", Rabindra Academy arranged a discussion and musical programme at the Poet Sufia Kamal Auditorium, National Museum on April 5. Eminent personalities, including Tagore exponents, discussed on different aspects of the timeless literary work as well as Tagore's views on his contemporary social setting. Noted Tagore singers of the country later rendered songs at the cultural programme.

Poet Shahed Rahman, general secretary, Rabindra Academy gave the welcome speech.

Chief guest Finance Minister AMA Muhith could not attend the event due to unavoidable circumstances. Professor Mustafa Nurul Islam was the special guest. Prominent scientist and President of Rabindra Academy Professor Jamal Nazrul Islam presided over the session.

Among others, music exponent Professor Karunamaya Goswami; Professor Shafi Ahmed, Department of English, Jahangirnagar University; Dr. Atiur Rahman, governor, Bangladesh Bank; litterateur Azizur Rahman and Indian Tagore researchers Professor Husseinur Rahman and Professor Minakshi Singh spoke at the discussion.

In his speech, Professor Mustafa Nurul Islam said, "If we closely study the life of Rabindranath Tagore, we would find that he wanted a society free from bigotry. If we convey his message among the masses, it is possible to have an ideal society."

In his speech, Dr. Atiur Rahman emphasised on the agrarian aspects of Tagore works.

The musical programme started with the rendition of "Majhey Majhey Tabo Dekha Pai" by Shama Rahman. Anima Roy rendered "Kobey Ami Bahir Holem". Among others, Shanta Karim and Rezaul Karim rendered songs at the programme. Bhaswar Banerjee recited poems at the programme.

Mohammad Wazed Ali Literary Conference in Satkhira

ABU AHMED, *Satkhira*

The second Mohammad Wazed Ali Literary Conference was held yesterday at the Banshdah village, the birthplace of the renowned litterateur, in the district.

Mohammad Wazed Ali Shahitya Parishad organised the daylong event.

Mohammad Wazed Ali Sahitya Parishad (WASP) authority also distributed the Wazed Ali Literary Award '09 to 10 eminent litterateurs and poets of the country.

The conference was inaugurated by Satkhira Deputy Commissioner Mohammad Abdus Samad. Satkhira Government College vice-principal Professor Nimai Chandra Mondal and Professor Abu Nasar were the special guests.

Chaired by WASP president, Mohammad Enamul Haque, the conference was addressed by, among others, poets Paltu Bashar, Gazi Shahjahan Siraj, Suvra Ahmed, Kabir Raihan, Mir Amjad Ali and Sobhan Amin. Shahidur Rahman and Banshdah Union Parishad (UP) chairman Sheikh Shahiduzzaman, also addressed the gathering.

Paying rich tributes to eminent litterateur Mohammad Wazed Ali, the speakers said that through their writings, litterateurs awaken the conscience of man, inspire them towards patriotism, to raise their voices against all kinds of injustice and fight against corruption.

They also urged all to ensure a non-communal, democratic and exploitation free Bangladesh, as in the spirit of the Liberation War.

Later, Satkhira DC Md Abdus Samad handed the WASP Award for 2009 to Professor Kazi Waliullah, Khan Akhtar Hossain, Rasheduzzaman, SM Mainul Haque Manir and Mozammel Hossain for their contribution to Bangla poetry and literature.

Over 200 people, including litterateurs and poets, attended the programme.

Theatre festival by Padatik Natya Sangsad (TSC) begins today

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A CORRESPONDENT

TSC based theatre troupe Padatik Natya Sangsad is organising a five-day theatre festival starting from today to mark the 87th birth anniversary of the troupe's founding president Syed Badruddin Hossain at National Theatre Hall of Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy (BSA).

Former Chief Justice Mohammad Habibur Rahman will inaugurate the festival. Four Bangladeshi theatre troupes, including Padatik Natya Sangsad (TSC) and one from Kolkata, will take part in the festival, the organisers said at a press conference held at Dhaka Reporters Unity on April 5.

Director general of BSA, Kamal Lohani; Shammilito Shangskritik Jote president, Nasiruddin Yousuff and Bangladesh Group Theatre Federation president Liaquat Ali Lucky will be present, among others, at the inaugural ceremony presided over by Syed Tasnin Hossain, president of Padatik Natya Sangsad.

Padatik will stage "Mousetrap" -- based on Agatha Christie's work -- on the inaugural day, while Nagarik Natya Sampradaya will stage "Kathal Bagan" -- inspired by Anton Chekhov's "Cherry Orchard" -- on the following day.

Kolkata-based troupe Theatre Workshop will stage "Joio Galpo" on April 9, while Loko Natya Dal will stage its popular production "Kanjush" on April 10. Aranyak Natyadal will stage "Ebong Bidyasagar" on the concluding day (April 11).

Minister for Information and Cultural Affairs, Abul Kalam Azad, will be chief guest, while Vice-chancellor of Dhaka University, Professor AAMS Arefin Siddique, and Professor Jatin Sarkar will be present as special guests on the concluding day of the festival.

The organisers will confer the Syed Badruddin Hossain Memorial Award on renowned theatre personalities Mamunur Rashid and Shimul Yousuf on the concluding day.

Vice-president Moslehuddin Rumu, secretary Sayem Samad of Padatik Natya Sangsad and convenor of the festival organising committee Nihad Kabir were present, among others, at the press conference.

'Amra Shurjomukhi' honours singer Timir Nandi

Celebrating Timir Nandi's four decades as a singer, cultural organisation 'Amra Shurjomukhi' arranged a solo musical soiree featuring the singer at the main auditorium, National Museum recently, says a press release. An artiste of Swadhin Bangla Betar Kendra, Nandi has always been active on the musical scene.

Syed Hassan Imam was present as the chief guest at the programme. Among others, composer Shujeo Shyam; singers Saheen Samad and Syed Abdul Hadi spoke on the occasion. Nandi was presented a crest and a certificate by the organisers. The award giving ceremony was followed by the solo musical performance by Nandi. The repertoire included Tagore and Nazrul songs, patriotic and *adhunik* compositions and more. Jharna Sarker recited poetry. Singers Hridi Ahmed and Razia Sultana also performed at the programme.

Timir Nandi sings at the soiree.

ON AIR

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

BTV
- 10:30 Nabo Anandey Jago
- 12:10 Cartoon
- 01:30 Musical Programme: Hijol Tomal
- 02:15 English Debate
- 03:00 Gharey Bairey
- 03:30 Shukhi Paribar
- 07:20 Geeti Alapon
- 07:45 Documentary: Phirey Dekha
- 08:30 Package Drama Serial: Lucky Thirteen
- 09:30 Ranna Gharey Bairey
- 11:20 Rupali Dheu

ATN BANGLA
- 11:10 Asian City Vision 2020
- 01:25 Musical Programme: Band View
- 02:30 Mega Serial: Baba
- 03:15 Dance Programme: Nupurer Chhondey
- 05:15 Kandey Amar Maa
- 06:15 Take Care
- 12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

ETV
- 10:02 Galpo Shalpo Gaan
- 02:02 Desh Jurey Oporadh Porikroma
- 04:02 Drama Serial: Neel Toyaley
- 04:30 Drama Serial: Biprotip
- 05:25 Tomar-I Naam Bolbo
- 05:45 Sports Plus
- 07:45 Fashion and Tune
- 10:10 Cine Hits

ntv
- 10:05 Drama Serial: FNF
- 12:10 Talk Show: Ei Somoy
- 02:30 Drama Serial: Kachher Manush
- 03:15 Drama Serial: Dhupchhaya
- 06:45 Bajo Ebong Bajao
- 09:00 Kichhu Katha Kichhu Gaan

BANGLAVISION
- 11:35 Anno Nayon
- 02:30 Drama Serial: Fifty Fifty
- 03:05 Drama Serial: Diba Ratri Khola Thakey
- 05:25 Musical Programme: Projapotir Chhoya
- 06:40 Point of Order
- 09:05 Shoundorjo Katha
- 12:00 Shangbaad Protidin

DESH TV
- 04:30 Durer Janala
- 05:02 Ongikaar
- 05:30 Durpath
- 06:30 Jolkatha
- 07:45 Desh Galpo
- 10:30 Total Sports

RTV
- 10:45 Taroka Alap
- 11:25 Ekatur-er Ei Diney
- 02:03 Bangla Feature Film
- 06:45 Amader Dhaka
- 07:30 Road to Democracy
- 11:30 Concert

CHANNEL 1
- 11:00 Bangla Feature Film
- 03:00 Drama Serial: Kancher Putul
- 03:30 Drama Serial: Gents Tailors Pvt. Ltd.
- 04:30 Cine Tune
- 05:15 Gaanwala
- 11:00 Cine 1

BBC WORLD
- 08:45 Asia Today
- 09:00 BBC World News
- 09400 HARDtalk
- 10:00 BBC World News
- 02:00 BBC World News
- 02:30 HARDtalk
- 03:00 BBC World News
- 06:45 Sport Today
- 07:00 Impact Asia with Mishal Husain
- 08:30 World Business Report
- 09:00 BBC World News
- 09:30 HARDtalk
- 10:00 The Hub with Nik Gowing
- 11:30 World Business Report
- 11:45 Sport Today
- 12:00 World News Today with Zeinab Badawi

ZEE STUDIO
- 08:30 Shine
- 10:45 Goal
- 01:30 Forever Mine
- 04:00 Loser
- 06:00 Dead Poets Society
- 09:00 Under The Tuscan Sun
- 11:30 Father of the Bride Part II

ESPN
- 10:30 ICC World T20 2009 Match 14 H/L Match: England vs. South Africa
- 11:30 X Games Classix : Best Of Summer 2008
- 12:30 Barclays Premier League 2009/10 Match: Arsenal vs. Wolverhampton Wanderers
- 02:30 Big Ten Championships - Women's Gymnastics
- 05:30 NBA Fastbreak 2009/10
- 06:00 NBA Action 2009/10
- 06:30 Winter X Games 13
- 07:30 Football Focus With John Dykes
- 08:30 Sportscenter India
- 09:00 Sportscenter Asia
- 09:30 Barclays Premier League 09/10 (Match Cutdown) Tape 01:00hr
- 10:30 Sportscenter India
- 11:00 Sportscenter Asia
- 11:30 Hitz 09/10
- 12:00 Planet Speed 2009/10

STAR SPORTS
- 11:00 FIA F1 World Championship Raceday 2010
- 11:45 FIA F1 World Championship 2010 - Main Race
- 01:45 FIA F1 World Championship Chequered Flag 2010
- 02:30 Masters Official Films 2009
- 03:30 TNA Impact 09/10
- 05:30 Game
- 06:00 Glitch
- 06:30 K1 World Grand Prix 2008-2011 Deal Tape 02:00hrs
- 08:30 Simply The Best
- 09:00 Almost Anything Goes
- 09:30 Score Tonight
- 10:00 Nike Football Locker Room 2009/10
- 10:30 Mobil 1 The Grid
- 11:00 Spirit Of Yachting Series 2010 : Design (Maxi's)

HBO
- 10:30 Reign Of The Gargoyles
- 12:30 Snow Falling On Cedars
- 03:15 Dudley Do-Right
- 05:00 Harry Potter And The Goblet Of Fire: Behind The Magic
- 06:15 Alive
- 09:00 Tmz 207
- 09:30 America's Sweethearts
- 11:30 Timeline

Talk show
BTV
- 09:00pm Special Discussion on World Health Day

ATN BANGLA
- 11:30pm Talking Point
- 12:30am Hello Bangladesh

ntv
- 12:10am Ei Shomoy

ETV
- 12:02am Ekusher Raat

DESH TV
- 11:45pm Shoja Katha

Drama Serial
ATN BANGLA
- 04:25pm Chhobir Manush
- 08:40pm Gharjamai
- 09:20pm Kothay Pabo Tarey

ntv
- 09:45pm Asharey Galpo
- 11:30pm Manush Bodol

ETV
- 08:20pm Poster
- 09:30pm Jahur Ali Jahuri

RTV
- 09:25pm Monkora
- 10:10pm Shey Amar Ekla Pakahi

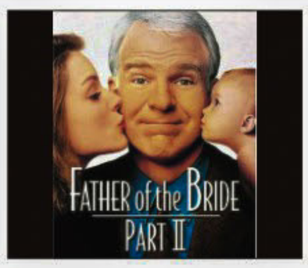
BANGLAVISION
- 08:15pm Meghbondhu
- 09:45pm Gulshan Avenue

DESH TV
- 08:15pm Jolpory

CHANNEL 1
- 08:15pm Garbhodharini

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 am
ATN BANGLA
NEWS (Bangla): 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.
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**

Monkora
On RTV at 09:25 pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Anisur Rahman Milon, Kushum Shikdar



Father of the Bride Part II
On ZEE STUDIO at 11:30 pm
Cast: Steve Martin, Diane Keaton, Martin Short
Genre: Comedy/Family/Romance

Asharey Galpo
On ntv at 09:45 pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Mosharraf Karim, Bindu

abc radio FM 89.2
- 06:00 Bhorer Janalay
- 09:00 Mukhorito Jiboney
- 12:00 Darun Dupurey
- 03:00 Duranto Bikeley
- 05:00 Shondha Tara
- 07:00 Shaj-er Maya
- 09:00 Raat-er Akashey
- 11:00 Galper Shesh Nei

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

RADIO TODAY 89.6 FM
- 07:15 Good Morning Dhaka
- 11:00 Masti Unlimited
- 01:00 Today's Adda
- 04:00 U-turn
- 08:00 Tobe Tai Hok
- 11:00 Raat Vor Gan
- 02:00 Back to Back