

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

**Painting and Installation Exhibition**  
 Title: "Save Our Trees-Save Our Planet"  
 Artist: Gulshan Hossain  
 Venue: Goethe-Institut, H-10, R-9, Dhanmondi  
 Date: May 3-24  
 Time: 10am-8pm



**Memorial Meeting**  
 Organiser: Alamgir Kabir Chalochitra Kendra  
 Venue: Seminar Hall, Central Public Library  
 Date: May 11  
 Time: 5.30pm



**Terracotta Exhibition**  
 Organiser: Teachers and Students of the Department of Ceramics, FFA, DU  
 Venue: Zainul Gallery-2, Faculty of Fine Arts, University of Dhaka  
 Date: May 3-9  
 Time: 11am-6pm



**Group Art Exhibition**  
 Venue: Saju Art Gallery, D.C.C Market, Gulshan-2  
 Date: May 7-June 6  
 Time: 10am-8pm



## Rabindranath's stride in the world of fine arts

FAYZA HAQ  
 Rabindranath Tagore is India's first modern painter. In his songs, drama, fiction and other creative work, he has always upheld the heritage of the subcontinent. Yet in painting he did not follow traditions. What he painted was entirely his own style and vision," says Qayyum Chowdhury. "He based his paintings on lines, following the oriental style. In this way alone he has kept up with traditions. His work depended on treatment of form and space." Tagore took to painting in the latter stage of his life, when he was done with expressing himself in profusion in so many other creative forms, says Qayyum. "Drawing and painting were novelties for Tagore at the last stage of his life. Of course, in the meantime, he

supported his nephew Abanindranath's paintings of the Bengal School," says Qayyum, and he specially encouraged the paintings on Indian mythology. On visiting Japan, Tagore realised that paintings could not be established on literary values. Painting itself has a different language. He sent Japanese artist Oka Kura to India to guide the artists there. He began painting himself. This was after he had done a lot of doodling while writing. From the scratching and cutting during his writings arose an exciting form of art," Qayyum says. One finds birds, animals, tree branches in the doodles done with pen and ink. "I had the opportunity to examine some of his paintings at Shaniketan. The colours are applied in such a manner that they are fresh and exciting even today.



When he had exhibitions of his work in England, France and Germany, they were greatly appreciated. However, unfortunately, back home in India, his paintings were not

much admired by critiques or artists. This was around 1910. In his paintings he has created a world of his own, with birds, animal figures and humans. They resemble Kalighat Pat paintings in some ways, specially the faces but his style was with fine lines. Yet, if we study art, it is Rabindranath Tagore who first represents modern Indian art overseas. "As a creative artist, Tagore visualised pictures in colours and lines. In his songs and poetry we find pictures of nature in the different seasons. These were much more exciting than his pictorial work in lines and paints. Some critiques say that he could not even draw a matchbox correctly, so limited was his knowledge of perspectives. However, when a creative man sees a matchbox, he sees it as an image of his own perception. In his doodles are birds and animals that you sometimes cannot find on the planet. They are creatures of his own imagination. His urge for painting was purely his own. He was a self-taught artist. His family engaged teachers to assist in write poetry and compose music and he was even taught wrestling," says Qayyum. "But painting was something he developed on his own although he came from a family where the men painted portraits etc." Even in the world of paints and colours, Tagore remains unique.



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## Channel i celebrates the Bard



Leading writers, Tagore exponents and artistes join in the celebrations.

### A CORRESPONDENT

Channel i celebrated the 149th birth anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore through a daylong "Robi-Channel i Rabindramela", at the channel's Tejgaon office yesterday. Sponsored by mobile phone operator Robi, this was the fifth mela on Tagore's birth anniversary by Channel i. Faridur Reza Sagar managing director Impress Telefilm Ltd and Channel i, inaugurated the mela at 11:30 am. Among others, Shykh Seraj, head of news channel i; filmmaker Chashi Nazrul Islam, Ataur Rahman, Asad Chowdhury were present at the inauguration session. Throughout the day leading writers, Tagore exponents, poets, Tagore artistes and enthusiasts came to the channel i office to attend the mela. Leading and upcoming artistes performed Tagore songs and recitations, while several cultural organisations staged group performances at the Rabindra mancha stage at the mela premises. A total of 20 well decorated stalls were set up at the mela featuring books on Tagore, his works, information on the great poet, repro-

ductions of Tagore's artworks and more. The mela also included an art camp where leading artists of the country -- Hashem Khan, Sheikh Afzal, Biren Shome, Monirul Islam, Farida Zaman, Moniruzzaman and others drew paintings based on the theme of Tagore's poetry. The paintings from the camp will be auctioned; the money gained from the sale will be spent on Tagore research, informed the organisers. A painting contest for youngsters on the theme "Tagore" was also held at the mela. The contest aimed at generating interest on Tagore among the youngsters. One of the main attractions of the mela was the handing over of lifetime achievement award in recognition to promoting Tagore and his works. This year the award was presented to accomplished Tagore singer Rezwana Chowdhury Bonna. As part of the award Bonna was presented a crest by National professor Kabir Chowdhury, an uttorio by Faridur Reza Sagar and a cash prize of Taka 2 lakh by Shykh Seraj. Previously Channel i presented lifetime achievement awards to veteran Tagore artiste and exponent Kalim Sharafi and veteran Tagore singer Ajit Roy. The mela was aired live at Channel i which continued till 5 pm.

## TV play "Manushgulo Emon Keno" on Channel i

### A CORRESPONDENT

Special single episode TV play on Mother's Day "Manushgulo Emon Keno" will air on Channel i today at 5:30pm. Written by Sagar Jahan, the play is directed by Chayanika Chowdhury. Tarin, Hillol and Shahiduzzaman Selim play lead role in the play.



Tarin and Shahiduzzaman Selim in the TV play.

## Drama serial "Jamai Mela" on Banglavision tonight

### A CORRESPONDENT

New drama serial "Jamai Mela" will be aired tonight on Banglavision at 8:15pm. Written by Brindaban Das, the serial has been directed by Azharul Karim. The story of the serial revolves around a village. Most of the males from the village live abroad. As a result, the villager elders

often marry off their daughters and keep the in-laws at their house. The story takes a twist, when one day the in-laws want to arrange a 'jamai mela'. Mosharrif Karim, Chanchal Chowdhury, Shamim Zaman, Azizul Haque, Dr. Enamul Haque, Nova, Alvi, Dihan, Shahhaj Khushi and Putul are the lead characters in the serial.



An elated Rezwana Chowdhury Bonna receives the lifetime achievement award.



## ON AIR

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

**ATN BANGLA**

01:25	Recitation Programme: Hey Nutan
02:40	Special Telefilm: Daan Protidaan
05:30	Bashudha Dhak Dhol
06:15	Law & Order
12:00	Grameenphone Lead News

**CHANNEL i**

01:05	Ebong Cinemar Gaan
01:30	Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma
04:05	Muktijuddho Protidin
04:30	Amar Chhobi
12:00	Grameenphone Aker Shangkadpotro

**ntv**

12:50	Swastho Protidin
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**BANGLAVISION**

02:30	Bangla Feature Film
06:05	Positive Bangladesh
06:40	Point of Order
11:20	Musical Programme: Shonchari

**DESH TV**

05:30	Durpaath
06:30	Shangskriti Shara Desh
07:45	Amra Dujon, Dekhtey Kamon
10:30	Total Sports

**DIGANTA TELEVISION**

12:30	Score Cards
06:05	Shaat Din Sharadesh
08:05	Modhur Amar Mayer Hashi Ma Ononyia
11:05	

**BBC WORLD**

11:00	BBC World News
11:30	India Business Report
01:10	This Week
01:30	Roger Federer: Spirit Of A Champion
02:10	Reporters
03:10	Theo's Adventure Capitalists: Vietnam
04:10	My Country: Brazil

**BBC WORLD**

11:10	Trade Talk
12:50	Budget Protyasha

**BBC WORLD**

06:00	BBC World News
07:15	Sport Today
07:30	Extra Time: Lilian Thuram
08:00	BBC World News
08:30	The Sky At Night: Spirit of Mars
09:00	BBC World News
09:10	Panorama: Chocolate - The Bitter Truth
10:00	BBC World News
10:30	India Business Report
12:00	BBC World News

**DISCOVERY CHANNEL**

09:30	Man Vs. Wild (Season 3)
11:30	Dinosaur Planet
12:30	Mega Builders 2
02:30	Kings Of Construction
03:30	Dirty Jobs (Season 4)
06:30	Rampage!

**ZEE STUDIO**

08:30	No Where In Sight
10:30	Chicago
01:30	102 Dalmatians
03:30	Wicker Park
05:45	Harold & Kumar Go To White Castle
07:30	Mulan
09:30	The Basketball Diaries
11:30	Scary Movie 2
HBO	
09:30	The Tale Of Despereaux
11:30	Beowulf
01:30	The Making Of Rendition
02:00	Fred Claus
04:30	The Making Of Rendition
05:00	Cradle 2 The Grave
07:00	Hollywood One On One 85
07:30	Role Models
09:30	Rendition
12:00	The Spiderwick Chronicles

**ESPN**

11:30	T20 Superstars Icc W T20 (2010)
12:00	T20 Superstars Icc W T20 (2010)
12:30	Icc World T20 2010 - H/Ls Match: Sri Lanka Vs. New

**Zealand**

01:32	Icc World T20 2010 - H/Ls Match: Tbc Vs. Tbc
02:30	Icc World T20 2010 - H/Ls Match: West Indies Vs. Ireland
03:30	T20 Superstars Icc W T20 (2010)
04:00	Icc World T20 2010 - H/Ls Match: Tbc Vs. Tbc
05:02	Icc World T20 2010 - H/Ls Match: Tbc Vs. Tbc
06:00	Icc Cricket Crazy (Pre Show)
07:15	Icc World T20 2010 Match: Tbc Vs. Tbc
08:50	Icc World T20 2010 (Mid Inning)
09:10	Icc World T20 2010 Match: Tbc Vs. Tbc
10:45	Icc Cricket Crazy (Link Show)

**STAR SPORTS**

12:00	Almost Anything Goes
12:30	Maxis Football Extra
01:30	Barclays Premier League 09/10 Tape 02:00hrs
07:30	Fia F1 World Championship Highlights 2010
09:00	Engine Block 2010
09:30	Score Tonight
10:00	Tna Xplosion 09/10
11:00	Mutua Madriena Madrid Open

**Talk show**

<b>ATN BANGLA</b>	12:30pm	Citycell Taroka Kathan	
12:30am	Hello Bangladesh	06:00pm	Kathay Kathay
<b>CHANNEL i</b>	ntv		
09:50am	Grameenphone	12:10am	Talk Show: Ei Tritiomatra
			Shomoy

**TV plays**

<b>ATN BANGLA</b>	Jantrona		
09:20pm	Jolkona	ETV	
11:30pm	Ma Tui Kemon Achhish?	08:20pm	Gunin
		09:30pm	Loilita
<b>CHANNEL i</b>	RTV		
05:30pm	Manushgulo Emon Keno	09:00pm	Porshibari
07:50pm	KeBa Apon KeBa Por	09:45pm	FDC
<b>BANGLAVISION</b>			
09:35pm	Chhayabithi	08:15pm	Jamai Mela
11:30pm	Chandramagno	09:45pm	Hoi Hoi Roi Roi
<b>DESH TV</b>			
08:15pm	Graduate	08:15pm	Shimanto
09:00pm	Tahar Naamti	09:45pm	Jao Pakhi

**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 (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,

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

**Jaoo Pakhi**  
 On Desh TV at 9:45pm  
 Drama Serial  
 Cast: Abul Hayat, Amirul Haque Chowdhury

**Rendition**  
 On HBO at 9:30pm  
 Genre: Drama  
 Cast: Omar Metwally, Reese Witherspoon

**Tahar Naamti Jantrona**  
 On ntv at 9:00pm  
 Single Episode Play  
 Cast: Hasan Masud, Badhon

**abc radio fm 89.2**

06:00am	Bhorer Janalay
09:00am	Mokhurto Jiboney
12:00pm	Darun Dupurey
03:00pm	Duranto Bikeley
05:00pm	Shondha Tara
07:00pm	Shaj-er Maya
09:00pm	Raat-er Akashey
11:00pm	Golper Shesh Nei

**RADIO TODAY**

07:15am	Good Morning Dhaka
11:00am	Musti Unlimited
01:00pm	Today's Adda
04:00pm	U Tum
08:00pm	Tabay Tai Hok
12:00am	Today's Happy Moments

**RADIO FOORTI**

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