

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

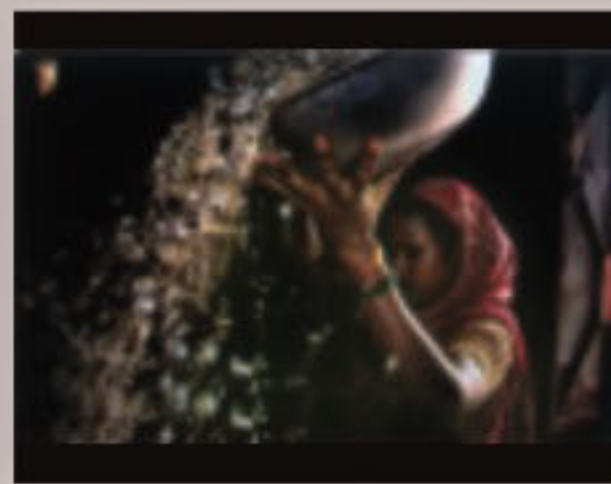
Painting and Installation Exhibition
 Title: "Save Our Trees-Save Our Planet"
 Artist: Gulshan Hossain
 Venue: Goethe-Institut, H-10, R-9, Dhanmondi
 Date: May 3-24
 Time: 10am-8pm



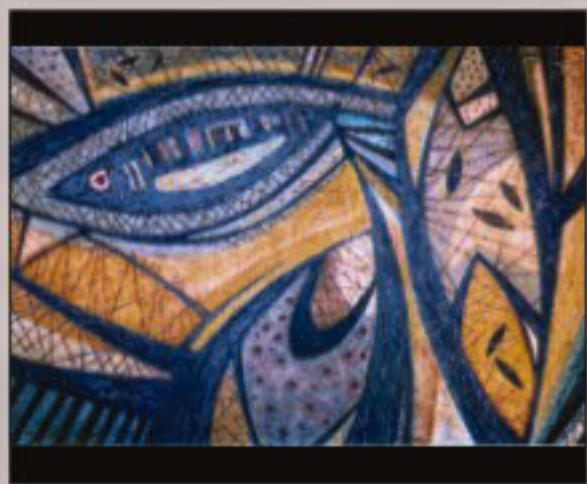
International Museum Day 2010
 Organiser: Bangladesh National Museum
 Venue: Main Auditorium, Bangladesh National Museum, Shahabagh
 Date: May 18
 Time: 6:30 pm onwards



Photography Exhibition
 Title: Rural Exodus
 Venue: Alliance Francaise de Dhaka, 26, Mirpur Road, Dhanmondi
 Date: May 28-June 12
 Time: 5pm-8pm



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



Shammilito Sangskritik Aikko Jote celebrates Tagore



A group rendition at the programme.

AHMED HUMAYUN KABIR TOPU, Pabna

Shammilito Sangskritik Aikko Jote(SSAJ), Pabna celebrated the birth anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore in the district headquarters last Saturday. A discussion and cultural programme were held at Pabna Town Hall premises on Saturday night to mark the occasion.

President of the organisation, Ganesh Das, chaired the discussion while noted educationist Professor Mohammad Kamruzzaman spoke as the chief guest. Among other speakers were the Principal of Pabna Law College Advocate Azizul Haque; social activist Dr. Sarwar

Jahan Fayaze; secretary of the organization, Ashraf Hossain Rabi; journalist Habibur Rahman Shoppo and cultural activists Gopal Shannal and Zakir Hossain.

The speakers focused on the literary value of "Gitanjali" and said that all the verses of this great work are rich in meaning and value. Bangla literature, they added, went to the international arena for the first time when Tagore presented the "Gitanjali" to people around the world.

Later, artistes from different organisations presented music and dance performances based on Rabindra Sangeet and recited poems. Prominent singer of the district, Nasima Ashraf, conducted the cultural programme.

Healing music

In conversation with Dr. Jagodananda Roy

A CORRESPONDENT

Dr. Jagodananda Roy works as an anaesthesiologist in the Cardiology Department of Square Hospital, Dhaka. When he is able to squeeze in a little spare time, he pursues his passion for music. An album titled "Anurag" featuring 10 original songs recorded by the artiste is in the pipeline.

Though classical music is his forte, other traditional forms of music like Rabindra and Nazrul Sangeet, folk, devotional (e.g. kirtan) and adhunik songs also draw him. "A good song is a work of art. Every song that has a perfect melody attracts me," says Dr. Roy.

At the age of four, he developed a fascination for music and dance. When he was hardly 12, he would hang a harmonium around his neck and sing along with a jatra troupe in his village Jodranagar, Gurudasapur, Natore. Aside from acting in jatra, he also played the khol and tabla in the troupe.

Although his parents, Jugol Kishor Roy and Provashini Roy, have been constant sources of support, a young Jagodananda began his musical journey with the help from his uncle Mihir Kumar Ghosh, a renowned padaboli kirtan artiste and teacher. Later, he took lessons in classical music from Pandit Amresh Roy Chowdhury in the '80s.

Roy has been a regular artiste in Bangladesh Betar since 1994 and has performed on Bangladesh Television over the last three years. He has also taken part in musical programmes aired on ntv, Rtv and Boishakhi TV.

So far, the artiste has participated in musical programmes in and outside Bangladesh, arranged by noted organisations including Shuddha Sangeet Proshar Goshthi, Chhayanaut, and the West Bengal government. He also performed at a solo musical soiree at Bishwarupa Theatre Hall of Kolkata in 1994.

An album featuring 10 of his songs is in the pipeline under the banner of Laser



Dr. Jagodananda Roy

PHOTO: STAR

Vision. Shukhen Mukhopadhyay has written the lyrics of the songs and Dr. Roy has composed tunes of eight songs. Habibur Rahman Labu and Faruk Iqbal Niro have composed the other two.

"Lal Reshmi Benaroshi," "Shesh Bikel-i Shesh Kotha Noy" and "Roz Phul Niye" are some of the songs. "My wife Dr. Debjani Sanyal works with me in the same hospital and she also

has a great fascination for music. We make the patients coming out from post cardiac intensive care unit listen to songs as music works as a panacea, indeed as therapy," Dr. Roy concludes.



To celebrate its 10th anniversary, Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts has arranged a series of 10 exhibitions at the gallery in Dhanmondi, Dhaka. The first exhibition was held recently. The second group art exhibition titled "Rooted Creativity-2" will start from today. Participating painters are Samarjit Roy Chowdhury, Abdul Muqtadir, Kalidas Karmakar, Shahid Kabir, Abdus Shakoor Shah, Kazi Ghiyasuddin, Farida Zaman, Mohammad Eunus, Rokeya Sultana and Dhali Al Mamun. On the occasion of the exhibition, a press conference was held yesterday at Bengal Café. Painters Samarjit Roy Chowdhury, Abdul Muqtadir, Abdus Shakoor Shah, Farida Zaman and Subir Chowdhury (director of Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts) spoke at the conference. The exhibition will continue till May 29.

KONGKON KARMAKER, Dinajpur

The annual horse fair, a popular event in the northern districts of the country, concluded recently. Held at Melabari-Hat of Pulbari upazila of Dinajpur, the venue was a meeting point for horse lovers and traders.

Abdullah Al-Kafi of Nilphamari district, said that visitors had valued his horse at Taka2.5 lakh, but he was not interested in selling the animal, as he had kept it as a pet.

The most interesting part of the fair was the dancing mares put up for sale. The owners and the mentors of these mares sought to get the animals to perform for prospective buyers so that they could get a good price.

Abu Taher Mondal of Hakimpur upazila of Dinajpur, however, lamented that the dancing

mares were akin to their children. "People say that we are rearing them but it is not true. Actually these mares are rearing me and my family as I have no other job to

do." He said he was selling them due to his straitened financial condition.

The horse fair has been drawing the attention of visitors since the British era.

Nearly 300 horses and mares of various breeds from across the northern region, including Dinajpur, Thakurgaon, Panchagarh, Nilphamari, Joypurhat and

Naogaon, were brought here for trading in which over 4,000 livestock, according to the district administration, were put up for sale.

Organisers informed The Daily Star that the animals costing between Taka 20,000 and Taka 2.5 lakh were placed on sale taking into view the quality of their features like colour, ears and height.

Organisers said that due to the lack of promotion, there were fewer visitors at the fair. They also advocated the business of rearing horses and mares, a good side business for debt-ridden farmers.

But many visitors alleged that the administration neither provided them with any tents to stay nor made any arrangements for electricity.

The animal lovers demanded that adequate arrangements be made for the livestock that are brought here for display from various parts of the country.



The fair was held at Melabari-Hat in Dinajpur.

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ON AIR

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

ATN BANGLA

09:15 Drama Serial: Jolkona
 01:25 ATN Music
 03:10 Mega Serial: O Amar Chokhu Nai
 03:45 Tapur Tupur
 10:45 Documentary: Bihango Katha

12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

CHANNEL i

01:30 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma
 02:30 Drama Serial: Amader Gram Amader Shephali
 03:05 Fan Club Tournament
 03:45 Boi Ebong Boi

04:05 Muktijudhyo Protidin
 04:30 Sangeetmala
 06:00 Business Show
 06:20 Robin Hood
 07:50 Meridian-Channel i Khudey Gaan Raaj

12:00 Grameenphone Ajker Shangbadpotro

ntv

11:30 Music Jam
 01:05 Swastho Protidin
 05:35 Apnaar Jigyasha
 06:45 Frankly Speaking
 09:00 Glamour World

ETV

11:30 Ekusher Business

02:02 Ekusher Chokh
 03:30 Drama
 05:25 Binodoner Bishwa
 05:45 Sports Plus
 06:30 Deshjurey Shanglaap
 07:50 Rabindra Sangeet: Tomari Naam Bolbo

Rtv

02:03 Bangla Feature Film
 06:03 Protidin
 06:30 Nari O Nokhyotro
 07:00 Road To Democracy
 09:00 Drama: Briddhashrom
 11:10 Very Filmy

DESH TV

10:30 Bangla Feature Film
 04:30 Bazarey Notun
 05:02 Cartoon: Mina
 05:30 Dur Paath
 07:45 Banglar Pran
 12:30 Total Sports

BANGLAVISION

12:30 Housing Barta
 01:30 Drama Serial: Hoi Hoi Roi Roi

03:05 Drama Serial: Jamal Mela
 03:35 Cinebit Shadakalo
 06:05 Ebong Classer Bairey
 06:40 Point of Order
 09:05 Banglavisjon Top Ten
 11:20 Raat Biraatey

HBO

10:00 Polar Storm
 12:00 Hollywood One On One 87
 12:30 Mr. Deeds
 02:30 Stop-Loss
 04:45 Deep Blue Sea
 07:00 The Murder Of Princess Diana

09:00 Tmz 236
 09:30 Eight Legged Freaks
 11:30 Deep Blue Sea

ZEE STUDIO

08:30 Just Friends
 10:40 Half Light
 01:30 Barbershop
 03:40 Barbershop2: Back in Business

06:30 National Treasure
 09:30 Art School Confidential
 11:40 Glory Road

ESPN

12:00 MLB Regular Season 2010 (Weekday)
 Match: Minnesota Twins vs. New York Yankees

03:00 Euroleague 2009/10 - Highlights

03:30 NBA Classic Games 2009/10
 Match: Los Angeles Lakers vs. New Jersey Nets

05:30 Uca National High School Cheerleading Championships

06:30 KIA X Games Asia 2009 - Show 1

07:30 Goals Of The Season 2009/10

08:30 Sportscenter India
 09:00 Sportscenter Asia
 09:30 Contenders, The
 10:30 Sportscenter India
 11:00 Sportscenter Asia
 11:30 Goals Of The Season 2009/10

BBC WORLD

11:00 BBC World News
 11:30 World Business Report

11:45 BBC World News
 12:00 BBC World News
 12:30 World Business Report
 12:45 Sport Today
 01:00 BBC World News
 01:30 World Business Report
 01:45 Sport Today
 02:00 BBC World News
 02:30 HARDtalk (r)
 03:00 BBC World News
 03:30 World Business Report
 03:45 Sport Today
 04:00 BBC World News
 04:30 World Business Report
 04:45 Sport Today
 05:00 GMT with George Alagiah
 06:00 BBC World News
 06:30 World Business Report
 06:45 Sport Today
 07:00 Impact Asia with Mishal Tarey

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

Talk show

ATN BANGLA
 06:15pm Kathamala
 12:30am Hello Bangladesh

ntv
 12:00am Ei Shomoy
 10:10pm Galpo Shalpo Gaan

CHANNEL i
 09:50am Grameenphone Trilio Matra
 12:30pm Citycell Taroka Kathan

RTV
 10:45am Tarokalap

DESH TV
 11:45pm Shoja Katha

Drama Serial

ATN BANGLA
 08:00pm Jojon Jojon Dur
 08:40pm Tomato Ketchup
 09:20pm Kolhay Pabo Tarey

11:30pm Otit

Channel i
 05:30pm Mon

ntv
 08:15pm Mamuli Ekta Manush
 09:45pm Dhupchhaya

11:30pm Manush Bodol
 08:20pm Ekey Shunyo Dosh
 09:30pm Jahur Ali Jahuri
 08:15pm Shubhu
 09:45pm Khoar
 10:30pm Metro
BANGLAVISION
 08:15pm Jai Pukur
 09:45pm Fifty Fifty

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.

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

Art School Confidential
 On Zee Studio at 09:30pm
 Genre: Comedy/ Drama
 Cast: Max Minghella, Sophia Myles

Meridian-Channel i Khudey Gaan Raaj
 On Channel i at 07:50pm
 Musical Talent Hunt
 Judges: Humayun Ahmed, Shaon

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

abc radio fm 89.2
 06:00 Bhorer Janalay
 09:00 Mukhorito Jiboney
 12:00 Darun Dupurey
 03:00 Duranto Bikelley
 05:00 Shondhataro
 07:00 Shajer Maya
 09:00 Raat-er Akashey
 11:00 Golper Shesh Nei

RADIO FOORTI
 07:30 Hello Dhaka

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 Bhor Gaan
 12:00 Today's Happy Moments