

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Nazrul Anniversary
Organiser: Nazrul Academy
Venue: Shilpakala Academy, Nazrul Bhaban and National Museum
Date: May 18-25
Time: 5:30 pm onwards



Art Exhibition
Painter: Azyz Sharafy
Venue: Dhaka Art Centre, H-60, R-7/A, Dhanmondi
Date: May 21-25
Time: 3pm-8pm



Annual Art Exhibition
Organiser: Faculty of Fine Arts (FFA), DU
Venue: FFA premises
Date: May 20-31
Time: 11am-6pm



Solo Photography Exhibition
Title: Soulscapes- Ontor Bhumi
Photographer: GMB Akash
Venue: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, H 275/F, Rd 27 (old), Dhanmondi
Date: June 1-10
Time: 12-8pm



Going Hollywood: Satyajit Ray's unrealised dream?

Martin Scorsese thinks so



PALLAB BHATTACHARYA, New Delhi

It has recently emerged that master filmmaker Satyajit Ray's wish to make a film in Bangladesh remained unful-

filled, as he could never reproduce on the big screen eminent writer Selina Hossain's novel "Hangor Nodi O Grenade". Now renowned Hollywood director Martin Scorsese is saying that Ray's dream of making a Hollywood

movie too had to be shelved due to "some dirty politics played by unknown quarters."

Scorsese told The Times of India newspaper that in the late 1960s "there was a big probability of Ray coming

down to Hollywood to shoot "The Alien" based on his own short story" which was published in the popular Bangla magazine "Sandesh". The film, Scorsese said, was to be produced by 20th Century Fox.

"Hollywood was waiting to embrace Ray with open arms. Alas, due to some dirty politics played by unknown quarters, Ray's Hollywood dream had to be shelved", he said.

Scorsese said he has "no qualms in admitting that Steven Spielberg's film 'E.T.' was influenced by Ray's 'The Alien'. Even Sir Richard Attenborough pointed this out to me."

Scorsese said that Ray was more knowledgeable about world cinema than him and the Indian director's grasp over western classical music and international literature was something noticed only by Akira Kurosawa and Sir David Lean.

Scorsese said the shoe-string budget with which Ray made his films was something unknown to Hollywood and Europe and his asset was his art of narrating very complicated issues in the simplest form on celluloid with the minimum number of shots and dialogues.

For Scorsese, "perhaps the greatest Ray shot I saw" was the young Apu in "Aparajito" sitting by a pond, hands folded, head down, weeping his heart out and remembering his late mother.

DS Café

This month DS Café will have actress Aupee Karim take your calls at The Daily Star office. Readers will have the opportunity to ask Aupee whatever they want to know. Call 8126155 on next Saturday, May 29, between 12 and 1 pm to speak to Aupee!!!

Int'l Children's Film Festival in Feni

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Feni

With the slogan "Future in Frame," a five-day international film screening began yesterday at the district Shilpakala Auditorium in Feni. Children's Film Society Feni along with CDSB Foundation has organised the festival that will end on May 25.

A total of 21 films from 10 countries including Bangladesh, India, Iran, Germany, France, Brazil and USA will be screened throughout the festival. Feni

District Commissioner Md. Abdul Kuddus Khan was the chief guest at the inaugural ceremony.

On the inaugural day, six films including "Canvas" and "Putuler Biye" (both from Bangladesh), "A Sunny Day" (Germany), and "Red Balloon" (France) were screened.

Other films to be screened at the festival include "Dipu Number Two", "Duratto" and "Sharat '71" (Bangladesh); "Two Brother" and "The Crocodile" (Germany); "Children of Heaven" (Iran); "Pa" and "Ek Akash" (India).



A scene from "Duratto", one of the films to be screened at the festival.

Five masterpieces stolen in \$123 million Paris museum heist

A broken alarm system made it as easy as 1-2-3: A masked intruder clipped a padlock, smashed a window and stole a Picasso, a Matisse and three other masterpieces from a Paris museum Thursday - a \$123 million haul that is one of the world's biggest art heists.

Offloading the artwork may prove a tougher task, however, with Interpol and collectors worldwide now on high alert.

In what seemed like an art thief's fantasy, the alarm system had been broken since March in parts of the Paris Museum of Modern Art, according to the city's mayor, Bertrand Delanoë.

The museum, across the Seine River from the

Eiffel Tower, reopened in 2006 after spending \$18 million and two years upgrading its security system. Spare parts had been ordered to fix the alarm but had not yet arrived, the mayor said in a statement.

So with no alarm to worry about, a lone masked intruder entered the museum about 3:50 am, said Christophe Girard, deputy culture secretary at Paris City Hall. The thief cut a padlock on a gate, then broke a side window and climbed inside -- his movements caught on one of the museum's functioning cameras, according to the Paris prosecutor's office.

The intruder later slipped back out, carrying the canvases and leaving behind empty frames. The whole thing took 15 minutes, a police official said.

Three security guards were on duty overnight, but "they saw nothing," Girard said. A night watchman discovered the theft around 7 am.

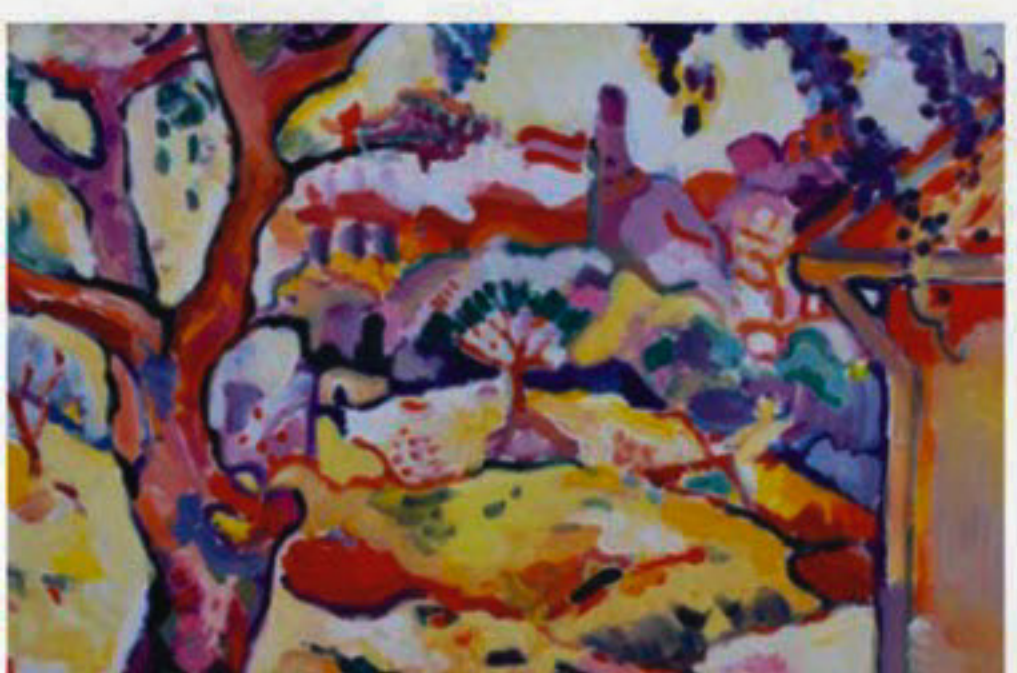
The stolen works included Pablo Picasso's "Le pigeon aux petits-pois" (The Pigeon with the Peas), an ochre-toned Cubist oil painting worth an estimated \$28 million, and "La Pastorale" (Pastoral), a pastel-hued oil painting of nudes on a hillside by Henri Matisse worth about \$17.5 million, Girard said.

Also seized were "La femme a l'eventail" (Woman with a Fan) by Amedeo Modigliani, "L'olivier pres de l'Estaque" (Olive Tree near Estaque) by Georges Braque and "Nature morte aux chandeliers" (Still Life with Chandeliers) by Fernand Leger.

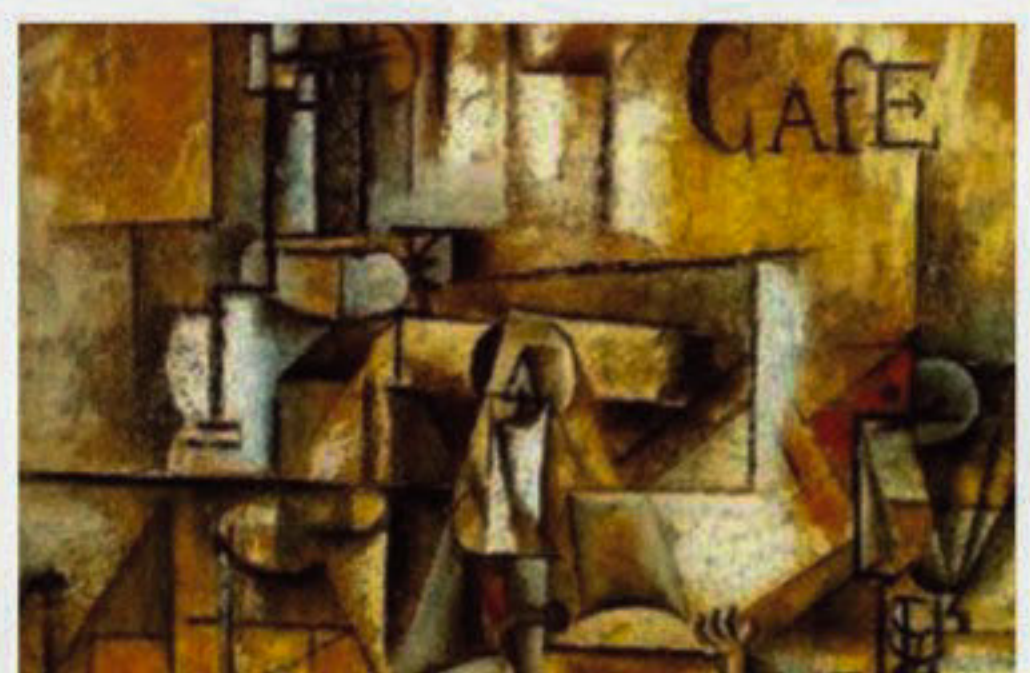
The broken alarm system also renewed concerns about museum security in the French capital. There was no operating surveillance system when a thief made off with a red sketchbook of 33 Picasso drawings from the nearby Picasso Museum while it was undergoing renovations last summer.

Picasso is the world's most stolen artist due to his prolific output and the value of his works. The Art Loss Register lists some 550 missing Picasso pieces, including paintings, lithographs, drawings and ceramics, as of 2007.

Source: Internet



Olive tree near Estaque, 1906, by Georges Braque.



Dove with Green Peas, 1912, by Pablo Picasso.

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

<p>BTV</p> <p>12:10 Swastho Jigyasha 01:10 Shukhi Poribaar 01:35 Mukti Juddhyo Protidin 02:15 Sisimpur 02:45 Bangla Feature Film 05:30 Geetimalyo 06:10 Shonaar Banglar Joyjatra 06:35 Tonumon 07:00 Amader Rabinranath 07:50 Documentary Programme 09:00 Drama: Odrishyo Aaina 10:25 Praney Mon-ey Ontorey</p> <p>ATN BANGLA</p> <p>01:30 Documentary Programme: Prapok</p>	<p>04:25 Gallery 06:10 Shubhoshondha 06:40 Shangkriti Ei Shoptaho 09:00 Marks All Rounder Protijogita 2010 Music Jam</p> <p>ETV</p> <p>01:30 Bangla Feature Film 04:30 Street Magic 05:25 The Aim 05:45 Sports Plus 06:30 Bhaboghurey Dot Com 07:50 Musical Programme: Golden Voice</p> <p>10:10 Galpo Shalpo Gaan 10:50 Financial Bulletin</p> <p>RTV</p> <p>02:03 Swapno Din-er Gaan 03:10 Drama 05:00 Amader Dhaka 06:30 Look At Me 07:00 Road to Democracy 11:10 Jegey Achho Ki</p> <p>DESH TV</p> <p>03:00 Bangla Feature Film</p>	<p>04:00 Desh Janopad 06:25 Dance Programme 07:45 Desh Top Chart 11:45 Shoja Katha</p> <p>BANGLAVISION</p> <p>12:30 Media Bhuaan 02:30 Bangla Feature Film 06:10 Drama 11:20 Art Show: Laal Golaap</p> <p>HBO</p> <p>11:15 10,000 B.C. 01:30 Iron Man 04:00 The Making Of Hairspray 04:30 Bats: Human Harvest 06:15 Hollywood One On One 87 06:45 Fool's Gold 09:00 Tmz 240 09:30 Iron Man 12:00 10,000 B.C.</p> <p>ZEE STUDIO</p> <p>08:30 The Haunted Mansion 10:30 The Darwin Awards 01:30 Suburban Girl 03:45 A Woman in Winter 06:40 Forever Mine</p>	<p>09:30 What Just Happened 12:00 Columbus Day</p> <p>ESPN</p> <p>01:00 Football Asia 01:30 Contenders, The 02:30 Hitz 03:00 Global Football 03:30 Simply The Best 04:00 World Sport 2010 04:30 Sportscenter Week In Review 05:00 Goals Of The Season 2009/10 06:00 Review Of The Season 2009/10 07:00 Sportcenter Weekend 09:30 Hitz 10:00 Goals Of The Season 2009/10 11:00 Simply The Best</p> <p>BBC WORLD</p> <p>12:00 BBC World News 12:30 Click (r) 01:00 BBC World News 01:10 E24 01:30 Extra Time (r)</p>	<p>02:00 Marcello Lippi 02:10 BBC World News 02:30 This Week 03:00 Working Lives: Human Traffic (r) Kenya 03:30 BBC World News 03:10 UK Report 03:30 Develop Or Die? 04:00 BBC World News 04:10 Reporters 04:30 Newsnight 05:00 BBC World News 05:30 Our World: Pakistan - Dirt Poor (r)</p> <p>06:00 BBC World News 06:10 E24 (r) 06:30 Fast Track (r) 07:00 BBC World News 07:15 Sport Today 07:30 Talking Movies 08:00 BBC World News 08:30 Dateline London 09:00 BBC World News 09:10 The's Adventure Capitalists (r) 10:00 BBC World News 10:30 Newsnight (r) 11:00 BBC World News</p>	<p>Talk show</p> <p>ATN BANGLA</p> <p>12:30am Hello Bangla-desh</p> <p>Channel i</p> <p>09:50am Grameenphone Tritiomatra 12:30pm Citycell Taroka Kathan</p> <p>ntv</p> <p>12:10am Talk Show: Ei Shomoy 07:00pm Road To Democracy 11:45pm Talk Show: Shoja Katha</p> <p>Drama Serial</p> <p>ATN BANGLA</p> <p>08:00pm Projapoti Mon 08:40pm No Problem Dot Com 09:20pm Jolkona</p> <p>Channel i</p> <p>07:50pm Keba Apon Keba Por 11:30pm Chandromagno</p> <p>ntv</p> <p>08:15pm Graduate</p> <p>ETV</p> <p>09:30pm Bhabi 09:00pm Parshibari 09:45pm FDC</p> <p>DESH TV</p> <p>08:15pm Anubhumi 09:45pm Jao Pakhi</p> <p>BANGLAVISION</p> <p>08:15pm Jamaimela 09:05pm Rang-er Duniya</p>
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News Bulletin

BTV

9:00 am, 2:00 pm, 9:00 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:30 am

ATN BANGLA

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).

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News (Bangla): 7:00 am, 1:30pm, 5:00pm, 7:15pm, 10:30pm.
 News (English) 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

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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

Jamaimela
 On Banglavisision at 8:15 pm
 Drama Serial
 Cast: Chanchal Chowdhury, AKM Hassan

What Just Happened
 On Zee Studio at 9:30 pm
 Genre: Comedy
 Cast: Robert De Niro, Sean Penn, Bruce Willis

Jolkona
 On ATN Bangla at 9:20 pm
 Drama Serial
 Cast: Saberi Alam, Oporbo

abc radio fm 89.2

06:00 Bhorer Janalay
 09:00 Mukhorito Jiboney Standard
 12:25 Chartered-The Daily Star Jiboner Joygaan
 03:00 Duranto Bikeley
 05:00 Shondhatara
 07:00 Shajer Maya
 09:00 Raal-er Akashy

11:00 Golper Shesh Nei
RADIO FOORTI
 08:00 Addabazi
 12:00 Boier Poka
 02:00 Foorti Unlimited
 06:00 Bumper to Bumper
 10:00 Club Foorti
 01:00 Back to Back music

RADIO TODAY

07:15 Good Morning Dhaka
 11:00 Musti Unlimited
 01:00 Today's World Music
 04:00 U Turn
 08:00 Tobey Tai Hok
 11:00 Raal Bhor Gaan