



WHAT'S  
ON THIS  
WEEK


**Solo Art Exhibition**  
Artist: Samiran Chowdhury  
Venue: Gallery Kaya, H-20, R-16, Sector 4, Uttara  
Date: June 15-30  
Time: 10am 8pm




**Photography and Installation Show**  
Photographer: Zaid Islam  
Title: Used Reused  
Venue: Dhaka Art Centre, R-7 A, H-60, Dhanmondi  
Date: June 5-16  
Time: 3pm-7pm



**Photo Exhibition**  
Photographer: Norbert Enker  
Title: Recycled  
Venue: Goethe-Institut Bangladesh, H-10, R-9, Dhanmondi  
Date: June 2-23  
Time: 10am 8pm



**Clay Exhibition**  
Title: Clay and Life by Harappa  
Venue: Drik Gallery, H-58, R-15A, Dhanmondi  
Date: June 9-21  
Time: 3 pm-8 pm



# When Hugh Jackman met Professor Yunus

## The crowning glory

### Grand finale of “Meridian Channel i Khudey Gaan Raaj” tonight

Hollywood superstar Hugh Jackman and his wife Deborra-Lee attended the Grameen America reception in New York recently to mark the opening of its Manhattan branch, according to a press release.

Jackman is a strong supporter of Nobel Laureate Professor Muhammad Yunus and a longtime advocate of microcredit. The actor has made a commitment to promote Yunus's work on social business.

Professor Yunus invited Jackman to visit Bangladesh. Jackman assured him that he'd come to Bangladesh as soon as his schedule permits.

Jackman wrote a letter to Professor Yunus that he was inspired and moved by Yunus's book "Banker to The Poor." The actor said in a recent article (The Oprah



Professor Yunus (left) with Hugh Jackman.

Magazine) "He (Yunus) is fighting at the frontline of poverty, and you couldn't find a happier guy."

Hugh Jackman has

attained international stardom for his role as Wolverine in the "X-Men" series, in addition to his leads in "Kate & Leopold," "Van Helsing," "The

Prestige," and "Australia." Jackman is a singer, dancer, and actor in stage musicals, and won a Tony Award for his role in "The Boy from Oz."

## Looking Back

## Smita Patil: One of a kind

Smita Patil. Her smoldering presence on the screen is impossible to forget. An actress who was able to combine roles in 'art' and commercial films. Though she is no longer amidst us, her legend lives on.

Some of the art films in which she starred were "Manthan" (1977), "Bhumika" (1977), "Aakrosh" (1980) and "Chakra" (1981). But her versatility extended to commercial films as well, for instance in "Shakti" (1982) and "Namak Halal" (1982) in which she paired with superstar Amitabh Bachchan. Other commercial hits included "Dard ka Rishta".

A bit about the well-known actress: She was born on October 17, 1955 in Pune, India. The daughter of Shivajirao Patil, a Maharashtrian politician and mother Vidya Patil, a social worker, Smita was a strong feminist and constantly strived to work for the betterment of women in traditional Indian society.

Schooled in a Marathi medium school, she graduated from the



famous Film and Television Institute of India, Pune. Smita began her career on Doordarshan Pune as a news anchor. Her discovery by Shyam Benegal changed her life forever. Her debut film was "Mere Saath Chal" (1974). Along with offbeat directors like Benegal, Govind Nihalani and Mrinal Sen, Smita also worked with commercial directors like Raj Khosla, Ramesh

Sippy and B.R. Chopra.

She caused quite a scandal when she entered into a relationship with the already married actor Raj Babbar. Babbar divorced his wife Nadira and married her. Feminists were quick to brand her a homebreaker. Their son, Prateek Babbar, played a supporting role in "Jaane Tu...Ya Jaane Na".

Smita's acting skills won her many awards: the Filmfare Best Actress Award, National Film Award for Best Actress and the BJFA Best Actress Award for "Mirch Masala." "Chakra," "Bhumika" and "Arth" also fetched her the BJFA Best Actress Award. In 1985 she was honoured with the prestigious Padma Shri Award.

Smita's brilliant screen career was cut short when at the age of 31 years, she developed complications while giving birth to her son and died just after six hours of childbirth.

Source: Internet

MAINUL HASSAN

"Meridian Channel i Khudey Gaan Raaj," Channel i's musical talent hunt for youngsters, wraps up with a grand finale at Bangabandhu National Stadium tonight. This year's "Khudey Gaan Raaj" promises to go out with a bang, as the finale is most likely to be full of surprises, informed the organisers. Channel i will air the entire show live, starting from 7:30 pm.

With the grand finale just hours away, what are the young contestants thinking? How are they preparing and devising the final strategy that would win the title of 'Khudey Gaan Raaj'?

This correspondent visited 'Shopnopuri,' the official camp of "Khudey Gaan Raaj." Set up at the Channel i Tejgaon centre, the camp is currently housing the finalists -- Anonna Raj, Tanisha Islam Sheniz, Nusrat Zuhuri Pranti, Apurbo Basona and Raju Ahmed Rana. Nervous and excited, the top five seemed happy enough sharing their plans.

"Tonight is certainly a big night for me," said Anonna Raj. Anonna is from Rajshahi and is optimistic about winning the title. "Whatever the outcome may be, to be able to make it to the final is a great achievement for

me," said Anonna. "When I grow up I want to be a doctor as well as a singer," said Anonna, a student of class eight at Govt P.N. Girls High School, Rajshahi.

Tanisha Islam Sheniz is from Sirajganj. Tanisha is a student of standard eight at Sirajganj Collectorate School and College. "Tonight I might feel a little nervous; performing live in front of so many people isn't really something easy. But when I take the stage, I will try to deliver my best," said Tanisha. Tanisha is grateful to her parents -- AKM Zahurul Islam and Aliza Perveen -- for their continuous support. "I would like to become a doctor and pursue singing as well. I'm interested in fashion designing too," she said.

Nusrat Zuhuri Pranti is perhaps the youngest of the bunch. She recently turned nine and is a student of Sunflower Kindergarten School. Nusrat is from Brahmanbaria. "I came here to sing," said Nusrat and I love to see myself on TV," said young Nusrat. When asked about the grand finale Nusrat said, "I seek guidance from Almighty and hopefully everything will go smoothly."

Apurbo Bashona is from Jamalpur. She is studying in class three at Holy Mission School and College. "Excited and at the same time very nervous,"

said Bashona. "If I win the title, it will be great. If I don't, well, I will still be happy and thank the Almighty for letting me make it to the top," said Bashona. Bashona wants to study medicine in future.

The fifth finalist is Raju Ahmed Rana. For Raju "Khudey Gaan Raaj" still seems like a dream. Born to a disadvantaged family in Satkhira, Raju used to sing on the streets. He would buy rice with whatever he earned and take that home. "If I didn't sing, we wouldn't have had food for the night," said Raju. His father Abdul Latif Sardar is a day labourer and his mother, a domestic worker. "Things turned really bad for us when my father suffered a serious injury and was no longer able to work. Desperation forced me to sing on the streets," said Rana, who is nine years old. "If I win the contest, I will get us a house first. We have no house; we live in a hut. I'll use the rest of the money to go to school," said Rana.

The winner of "Meridian Channel i Khudey Gaan Raaj" will receive a cash prize of Taka 5 lakh. The first runner up will receive Taka 3 lakh and second runner up will win Taka 2 lakh.

Bangabandhu National Stadium will be open to all for the finale, informed the organisers.



Clockwise from (top left): Rana, Basona, Pranti, Sheniz and Anonna



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

<b>ATN BANGLA</b> 11:10 Bangla Feature Film 02:30 Drama: Dokhinar Bou 03:45 Islamic Programme 04:25 Location 05:15 Islamic Programme 06:20 Talk Show 10:45 Bihongo Katha 11:00 Budget Bhabna	<b>CHANNEL i</b> 01:05 Musical Programme: Ebong Cinemar Gaan 01:30 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma 03:05 Hridoye Mati O Manusher Daak	03:45 Amader Shikkha Amader Shangkriti 04:10 Muktiudhyo Protidin 04:30 Alor Pathay 06:00 Musical Programme: Chhayajhankaar 06:20 Banglalink Banglar Pathay 07:30 Grand Finale of Meridian Channel i Khudey Gaan Raaj'09 12:00 Grameenphone Aiker Shangbadpotro	<b>ETV</b> 10:50 Financial Bulletin 04:30 Children's Programme 05:25 Shangkriti Shonmachar
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**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 |



**Ognirath**  
On ATN Bangla at 8:40 pm  
Drama Serial  
Cast: Anisur Rahman Milon, Nadia



**Last Action Hero**  
On ZEE STUDIO at 11:35 pm  
Genre: Action  
Cast: Arnold Schwarzenegger, Ian McKellen



**Roshogolla**  
On Desh TV at 11:55 pm  
Single Episode TV Play  
Cast: Chandni, Joyraj



**abc radio fm 89.2**  
06:00 Bhorer Janalay  
09:00 Mukhorito Jiboney  
12:00 Darun Dupurey  
03:00 Duranto Bikeley  
05:00 Shondhatara  
07:00 Shajer Maya  
09:00 Raal-er Akashay  
11:00 Golper Shesh Nei  
**RADIO FOORTI**  
07:30 Hello Dhaka

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  
**RADIO TODAY**  
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