

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK


Group Art Exhibition

Title: Rooted Creativity-3

Venue: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, H 275/F, Rd 27 (old), Dhanmondi

Date: June 15-26

Time: 12pm-8pm




Founding Anniversary

Benuka Institute of Fine Arts

Venue: National Theatre, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy

Date: June 24-25

Time: 5.30 pm



Art Exhibition

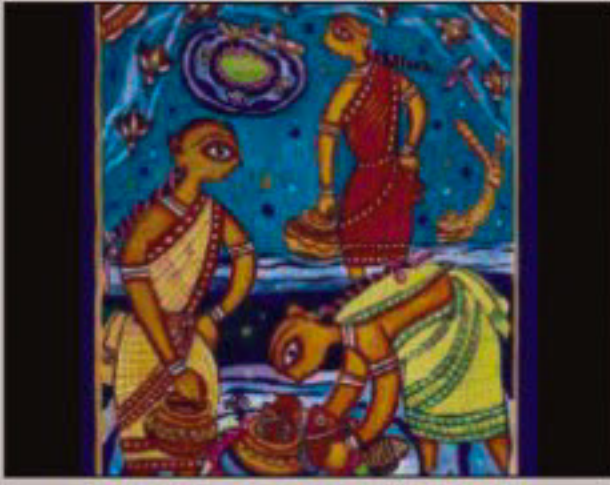
Painter: Nikhil Chandra Das

Title: The story of lost painting

Venue: Art Gallery, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy

Date: June 12-26

Time: 11 pm-7 pm




Solo Art Exhibition

Artist: Mohammad Fakruzzaman

Venue: Gallery Chitrah, H-21, R-4, Dhanmondi

Date: June 19-27

Time: 10am-8pm



# Harano Din-er Gaan

## Songs of yesteryears at Shilpakala Academy



Clockwise (from top): Timir Nandi, Badrunnessa Dalia and Tanima Hadi perform at the programme.

A CORRESPONDENT

The Production department of Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy (BSA) arranged a musical soiree, titled "Harano Din-er Gaan," at National Music and Dance Centre

auditorium of BSA, in Dhaka, on June 23.

Director of the Production department of BSA, Dr. Zakir Hussain, welcomed the audience at a discussion prior to the musical programme. The discussion was presided over by Kamal Lohani, director

renditions of "Tumi Cheyechiley Ogo Jantey" and "Asru Diye Lekha E Gaan." Tanima Hadi performed "Keu Konodin Amarey Tho Kotha Dilo Na," popularised by Sabina Yasmin, followed by a Mitali Mukherjee song "Keno Asha Bedhey Rakhi."

Artiste of Swadhin Bangla Betar Kendra, Timir Nandi, sang "Chena Chena Lagey." "Tung Tang Tung Tang Churir Taley" was his next performance.

Noted singers Shammi Akhtar, Fatema Tuz-Zohra, Rafiqul Alam, Ruksana Montaj and Iffat Ara Nargis performed "Phuler Kaney Bhromor Eshey," "Mon Jodi Bhengey Jaye," "Tumi Ashbey Boley," "Nishi Raat Banka Chand," "Ei Pothey Jai Choley," "Tumi Je Amar," "Jaar Chhaya Porechhey," "Aar Dekona Shei Modhu Namey" and more at the programme.

Dr. Zakir Hussain, Sumona Bardhon, Mohammad Faruk and Badrunnessa Dalia also rendered songs at the soiree.



## Daniel Radcliffe to star in World War I drama



Radcliffe previously played a WWI soldier in "My Boy Jack".

The US film won an Oscar for best picture, with a second Academy Award for director Lewis Milestone.

Radcliffe has now finished shooting on the final two films in the "Harry Potter" series, to be released this November and next July.

Earlier this year, it was announced he would be making his Broadway musical debut next year -- his first New York stage role since "Equus" in 2008.

According to producer Ian Stokell, Radcliffe will bring a "vulnerability and innocence" to the film's lead character.

"We know he can tap into the delicate balance between intensity and believability that is critical for this demanding role," he is quoted as saying.

Radcliffe previously portrayed a World War I soldier in 2007 TV drama "My Boy Jack," in which he played the son of author Rudyard Kipling.

## Freida Pinto in "Planet of the Apes" prequel?

Freida Pinto is in talks to star opposite Spider Man star James Franco in the "Rise of the Apes," the prequel to the "Planet of the Apes."

The 25-year-old actress, who shot to global fame with her role as Latika in Danny Boyle's multiple-Oscar-winning film "Slumdog Millionaire," will play Caroline, a primatologist in the 20th Century Fox movie.

The prequel is being directed by Rupert Wyatt and will be an origins story.

John Lithgow also is eyeing a part in the film, who will play the father of Franco's character, Variety reported online.

Franco, 32, will play a driven scientist who becomes a crucial figure in the war between humans and apes.

Set in present day San Francisco, Apes deals with the aftermath of man's experiments with genetic engineering that lead to the development of intelligence in apes and the onset of a war for supremacy.

The shooting of the movie is set to begin next month and it is slated to release on June 24, 2011.

Chernin Entertainment is producing the prequel, while Peter Jackson's visual effects house WETA digital will render photo-realistic apes, rather than costumed actors, for the first time in the franchise.

The script has been written by Amanda Silver and Rick Jaffa.



# Dancing, exhibits, grave visit mark Jackson's first death anniversary



In Tokyo, fans are planning a sleepover surrounded by his possessions; in Los Angeles, devotees will visit his grave; and on TV and radio stations around the world, lovers of the King of Pop's music won't stop 'til they get enough.

Fans, museums and some members of Michael Jackson's family will mark today's one-year anniversary of the singer's death with special exhibits, tributes and flash mob dances from Manila to Manhattan.

In the family hometown of Gary, Indiana, matriarch Katherine Jackson will unveil a monument to the singer outside the humble house where the legendary Jackson 5 began their singing career half a century ago.

A memorial and candlelight vigil will follow, ending with the song "We are the World."

Jackson's children --

2007, will pay homage to the singer with some more fancy footwork.

Jackson's sudden death at age 50 on June 25, last year in Los Angeles sparked an outpouring of grief around the world for the former child star, who was rehearsing for a series of London concerts aimed at reviving a career shattered by bizarre events as an adult.

A year on, with Jackson's personal doctor awaiting trial on a criminal charge of causing the singer's death by giving him a powerful anaesthetic as a sleep aid, memories are focused on the artiste who won 13 Grammys and whose dancing rocked the world.

There are no major tributes planned by the official Michael Jackson estate, which now controls rights to the singer's music, likeness and other memorabilia.

Elsewhere, "The Ultimate Thriller" tribute stage show makes its way from Europe and the Middle East across the Atlantic for the first time, kicking off a US tour today near Boston.

Fans are expected to gather at the Apollo Theater in Harlem, where the Jackson



Jackson's first death anniversary is being observed around the world today.

By contrast, in the Philippines prisoners who danced their way to fame with their "Thriller" YouTube video in 5 launched their careers, and Madame Tussaud in New York will install an exhibit as part of a global wax celebration of the past year and how his family has fared.

Compiled by Correspondent

## A tribute to Michael Jackson on Desh TV

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Desh TV will air a special programme, "Tribute to the Legend: Michael Jackson," marking the first death anniversary of the King of Pop, who moonwalked into the hearts of millions with his music and signature break dance, tonight at 9:45 pm.

Three bands -- Radio Active, Groove Trap and Rhythm of Life -- will perform covers of familiar Jackson numbers as a homage to the late singer, who passed away on June 25, 2009, at the age of 50.

## Celebrities on World Cup 2010

### Football fever

Abul Hayat

A CORRESPONDENT

"When it comes to football I simply love it," says veteran actor Abul Hayat.

Tell us about your World Cup plans.

Hayat: "Like everyone else, I will also be following the World Cup as it unfolds. I might not be able to watch all the matches, but will certainly try not to miss the big ones."

Who are your favourites at this year's tournament?

Hayat: "Brazil. I am a supporter of Brazil because when it comes to football they really know the way of the game, they are truly the magicians of football and also Brazil is the country of Pele."

Who do you think will be playing at this year's final?

Hayat: "I hope that this year's final is played between Brazil and a country from Asia."

