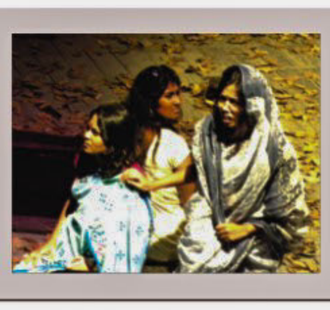
WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Film Screening
Film: You Are So Beautiful
Filmmaker:
Venue: Auditorium, Alliance Francaise de Dhaka, 26, Mirpur Road, Dhanmondi
Date: July 9
Time: 6pm

Theatre
Play: Norar Tin Konna
Troupe: Palakar
Venue: Experimental Hall, Shilpakala Academy
Date: July 4
Time: 7pm



Solo Art Exhibition
Painter: Niamul Bari
Title: Journey of the No
Venue: Dhaka Art Centre, H-60, R-7/A, Dhanmondi
Date: July 2-15
Time: 3pm-8pm

Solo Art Exhibition
Title: Immersed in Nature
Artist: Rezaun Nabi
Venue: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, H 275/F, Rd 27 (old), Dhanmondi
Date: July 2-13
Time: 12-8pm

RAJANIKANTA SEN

Patriotism and devotion unbound

Rajanikanta Sen (1865-1910) poet, lyricist and singer, was born in the village of Bhangabari in Pabna (now in Bangladesh). Yesterday marked his 145th birth anniversary.

Rajanikanta was the author of "Pathachintamani," a book of *Kirtan* songs, and "Abhay Bihar," a book of lyrical poems. His father Guruprasad Sen served as a sub-judge in many parts of Bengal. Rajanikanta was tutored by his father in music from early childhood. After obtaining his BA and BL (1891) degrees from Calcutta City College, he began to practice law in Rajshahi.

Rajanikanta demonstrated his poetic power at the early age of 15 by composing songs dedicated to the goddess Kali. He used to sing his compositions at the house of Akshay Kumar Maitreya. The monthly Utsaha used to publish his writings. Devotion and patriotism formed the primary themes of his poems

and songs, although he also composed love songs and satirical verses. One of his songs composed during the *Swadeshi* movement, "Mayer Deya Mota Kapor Matha-e Tuley Nerey Bhai" (treasure the coarse cloth spun in your motherland), became an overnight sensation.

Rajanikanta wrote several books: "Bani" (1902), "Kalyani" (1905), "Sadbhabkusum" (1913) and "Sheshdan" (1916). "Bani" and "Kalyani" are collections of his songs. He became well known as "Kantakobi."

Though Rajanikanta was influenced by Rabindranath Tagore, his songs have some unique characteristics. Most of them are inspired by his devotion. In addition, his love for his country forms another important theme of his songs.

The songs of Rajanikanta were inspired by the tunes and themes of *Kirtan*, *Baul*, *Ramprasadi*, *Panchali*. "Mishra Raga" (mixed raga) is predominant in Rajanikanta's compositions.

Compiled by Correspondent

Suchitra Sen hospitalised

Legendary Bengali film actress of yesteryears Suchitra Sen has been admitted to a Kolkata city nursing home with respiratory distress, but her condition is stated to be stable.

"Suchitra Sen, who was admitted with respiratory distress in the intensive therapy unit of Belle Vue Clinic due to chest infection, is responding to therapy and her condition is stable now," Belle Vue Clinic CEO Pradeep Tondon said quoting the medical bulletin on Thursday.

The 79-year-old actress was admitted on June 20. Sen could be released in a day or two as her health parameters has improved, Tondon said.

The reclusive silver screen diva, often compared with Greta Garbo, has not been seen in public since she quit the film world in the late 1970s. She was admitted twice to the same nursing home on February 27, 2008 and October 10, 2007.

Together with the late Bengali megastar Uttam Kumar, Sen formed the golden onscreen pair of Tollywood movies during the '50s to '70s period.

Source: Internet

Theatre workshop on technical issues

A five-day theatre workshop on technical skill development begins today at Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy (BSA), Shegunbagicha, in Dhaka, according to a press release. Theatre Designers Institute, BSA and the Embassy of Switzerland in Bangladesh are jointly organising the workshop, which will take place at the National Theatre Hall, BSA.

Jan Lukas -- internationally renowned theatre activist and technical director of popular Swiss troupe 'Mummenschanz' -- will conduct the workshop. Mummenschanz visited Dhaka last March and performed at the International Theatre Festival, organised by Dhaka Padatik.

Gabriele Derighetti, Charge d'affaires, Embassy of Switzerland and Sara Ara Mahmud, director, Department of Theatre and Film, BSA will be present at the opening session that will take place at 10 am at the Seminar Room of BSA.

Eighteen young and talented set designers from different parts of Bangladesh will participate at the workshop. The workshop creates an opportunity for the designers to understand and develop their skills regarding different theatrical techniques such as set designing and light designing. The workshop also consists lectures on modern light equipments.

Meryl Streep to play Margaret Thatcher

Meryl Streep is in talks to reteam with her "Mamma Mia!" director for "Thatcher," a biopic of the former British prime minister.

Jim Broadbent would play Margaret Thatcher's husband, Denis, for the British production.

The film, to be directed by Phyllida Lloyd, is set in 1982 and tracks Thatcher as she tries to save her career in the 17 days preceding the 1982 Falklands War. The 2 1/2-month war was a turning point for the prime minister, who, after the victory, saw her approval ratings double

Meryl Streep **Margaret Thatcher**

and went on to win a second term.

Producer Damien Jones came up with the story with screenwriter Brian Fillis.

If a deal is completed, the role of Thatcher would be the highest-profile character yet tackled by Streep, who has garnered Oscar nominations for playing real-life women such as whistleblower Karen Silkwood, author Susan Orlean and cooking guru Julia Child.

Lloyd, a British theatre director known for her work in the opera world, elicited energy and brought out youthfulness in Streep in her feature adaptation of "Mamma Mia!," which grossed more than $600 million worldwide in 2008.

Source: Internet

From star-spangled briefs to skintight pants, Wonder Woman is still a wonder

Wonder Woman has traded in her signature superhero briefs for skintight black pants. They are the centrepiece of a head-to-toe makeover that includes a navy motorcycle jacket and a pair of gold, bullet-deflecting gauntlets.

Why the change, and what does it mean, if anything?

First off, in her more modern comic-book costume, Wonder Woman (a.k.a. Diana Prince, a.k.a. Lynda Carter) looks like a glamorous athlete instead of an unusually muscular Miss America who happens to fight crime. The sleek lines of the new wonder pants evoke sci-fi warrior agility, while the cropped jacket -- with its studded epaulets -- adds rock star, Balmain flash.

Wonder Woman's look has not been substantially altered since 1941 (except for the late '60s and early '70s, when she gave up her costume entirely). The makeover purges the Americana from her clothes. She no longer looks as though she's wearing

Wonder Woman, then (right) and now.

a flag. She has shrugged off parochialism to become an international sophisticate.

Because the superhero universe is dominated by men, Wonder Woman has always been burdened by the politics of gender. She appeared on the first cover of Ms. Magazine in July 1972, her corset and high boots announcing that feminism, beauty and sexuality could forge a powerful coexistence.

Now that she's been given a pair of pants -- that Western symbol of formalised male authority it's tempting to declare this makeover an advance in gender equity. But not so fast. In superhero land, where everything is exaggerated, the boys are sketched with a nod to extreme masculinity. Batman's suit, for example, gives the slender Bruce Wayne perfectly etched pecs. It was only fair that Wonder Woman's leg-revealing briefs gave mousy Miss Prince a goddess's lithe figure.

Pants make Wonder Woman look chic, fit and contemporary. They imbue her with bourgeois authority. But power? From her lasso of truth to those legs of steel, she's had that from the beginning.

Source: Internet

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

ATN BANGLA
- 01:30 Documentary Programme: Prapok
- 02:35 Bangla Feature Film
- 06:15 Suqare Hospital Shushtho Thakun
- 10:45 Bihango Katha
- 12:30 Grameenphone Lead News

CHANNEL i
- 01:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan
- 01:30 Bangla Feature Film
- 05:50 Reality Show: Fan Club Tournament
- 09:35 Hridoye Mati O Manush
- 12:00 Grameenphone Ajker Shangbadpotro

ntv
- 12:10 World Cup Offside
- 01:00 Drama: Porir Naam Moutushi
- 02:30 Magazine Programme: Jana Ojana
- 04:10 Solo Musical Programme: Pratul Mukhopadhyay
- 05:30 Celebrity Show: Tomar Jonno
- 06:00 Borsho Purti Udjapon
- 06:40 Gathbo Mala Katha O Shurey
- 07:20 Sholoana Bangaliana
- 09:00 Marks All Rounder Protijogita 2010
- 11:30 Drama: Chumbuk Totto

ETV
- 11:30 Baula Ontor
- 01:30 Bangla Feature Film
- 04:30 World Cup Football Mania
- 05:25 The Aim
- 05:45 Sports Plus
- 06:30 Bhaboghurey Dot Com
- 07:50 Musical Programme: Golden Voice
- 10:10 Galpo Shalpo Gaan

RTV
- 12:30 Shayan-er Gaan
- 02:30 Drama: ABC
- 05:00 Bishwa Kaapey Foot Ball-ey
- 06:00 Protidin
- 06:30 Look At Me
- 09:00 R Music
- 09:45 Musical Programme
- 11:45 Jegey Achho Ki

BANGLAVISION
- 12:30 Media Bhubaan
- 02:30 Bangla Feature Film
- 06:10 Drama: Shamudro Shontrash
- 11:25 Bishwa Cup Protidin
- 12:30 Musical Programme: Boshudha Cinemar Gaan

DESH TV
- 10:30 Khelar Shokal
- 02:30 Bangla Feature Film
- 06:25 Jiboner Gaan
- 07:45 Desh Top Chart
- 10:30 Mega Serial: Bojkot
- 11:45 Total Sports

STAR MOVIES
- 10:10 Diminished Capacity
- 11:45 Vip Access: KNIGHT AND DAY
- 12:15 Baby's Day Out
- 02:00 Three Amigos!
- 03:50 The Day The Earth Stood Still
- 05:40 Cop Land
- 07:30 The Ladykillers
- 09:15 Confessions Of A Shopaholic
- 11:05 Mirrors

HBO
- 09:00 Crocodile Dundee
- 11:00 The Pacific S105: Part Five
- 12:30 Star Runners
- 02:00 Sudden Death
- 04:30 Forgetting Sarah Marshall
- 06:30 Tmz 270
- 07:00 Obsessed
- 09:30 10,000 B.C.
- 11:30 Tarzan Goes To India

BBC WORLD
- 01:30 The Bottom Line
- 02:30 Heritage Heroes
- 03:10 Intelligence Squared Debate
- 04:10 UK Report
- 04:30 Newsnight
- 06:30 Football Focus
- 07:00 BBC World News
- 08:30 Dateline London
- 09:00 BBC World News
- 11:00 BBC World News
- 11:10 My Country: Greece
- 12:00 BBC World News

DISCOVERY CHANNEL
- 11:30 Destroyed In Seconds
- 12:30 How Not To Become Shark Bait
- 01:30 King Tut Unwrapped
- 05:30 Survivorman
- 06:30 Destroyed In Seconds
- 07:30 The Science Of Sex Appeal
- 09:30 Time Warp
- 10:30 Man Vs. Wild
- 12:30 Destroyed In Seconds

ESPN
- 11:30 Indonesian Open Day 3 (live)
- 03:00 2010 FIFA World Cup South Africa: Paraguay vs. New Zealand
- 05:00 Global Football
- 05:30 2010 FIFA World Cup Matchday Highlights
- 06:30 Sportscenter Express: South Africa Presented By Samsung
- 07:00 2010 FIFA World Cup Pre-Show
- 07:50 2010 FIFA World Cup South Africa: Argentina vs. Germany (live)
- 10:00 2010 FIFA World Cup Post Show
- 10:30 2010 FIFA World Cup Magazine Show
- 11:00 Global Football
- 11:30 2010 FIFA World Cup Pre-Show
- 12:20 2010 FIFA World Cup South Africa: Paraguay vs. Spain (Live)

Talk show
ATN Bangla
- 09:20am Swapner Bishwacup Football
- 10:30am Hello Bangladesh

Channel i
- 09:50am Grameenphone Tritiomatra
- 12:30pm Citycell Taroka Kathan

ntv
- 12:30pm Ei Shomoy

Rtv
- 07:00pm Road To Democracy

DESH TV
- 12:00am Shoja Katha

Drama Serial
ATN BANGLA
- 08:00pm Projapoti Mon
- 08:40pm No Problem Dot Com
- 09:20pm Lilaboti
- 10:55pm Ochena Manush
- 11:30pm Amader Shongshar

Channel i
- 07:50pm Choita Pagol
- 10:00pm Ural Ponkhi Mon
- 11:30pm Chandromagno

ntv
- 08:15pm Graduate

RTV
- 10:20pm Porshibari

ETV
- 09:30pm Bhabi

BANGLAVISION
- 08:15pm Jamaimela
- 09:05pm Chondrobindu

DESH TV
- 08:15pm Anubhumi
- 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 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**

FIFA World Cup Quarterfinals
On ESPN at 7:50pm
Match: Argentina vs. Germany
Live from Green Point Stadium, Cape Town

Tarzan Goes to India
On HBO at 11:30pm
Cast: Jock Mahoney, Jai, Feroz Khan

FIFA World Cup Quarterfinals
On ESPN at 12:20am
Match: Paraguay vs. Spain
Live from Ellis Park, Johannesburg

abc radio fm 89.2
- 06:00 Bhorer Janalay
- 09:00 Mukhorito Jiboney
- 12:25 Standard Chartered-The Daily Star Jiboner Joygaan
- 03:00 Duranto Bikeley
- 05:00 Shondhatara
- 07:00 Shajer Maya
- 09:00 Raat-er Akashey
- 11:00 Golper Shesh Nei

RADIO FOORTI
- 08:00 Addabazi
- 02:00 Foorti Unlimited
- 06:00 Bumper to Bumper
- 10:00 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 Raat Bhor Gaan