

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Group Art Exhibition
 Title: Colour the Time
 Venue: Radius Centre, Bay's Galleria, Gulshan
 Date: July 9-22
 Time: 10am-8pm



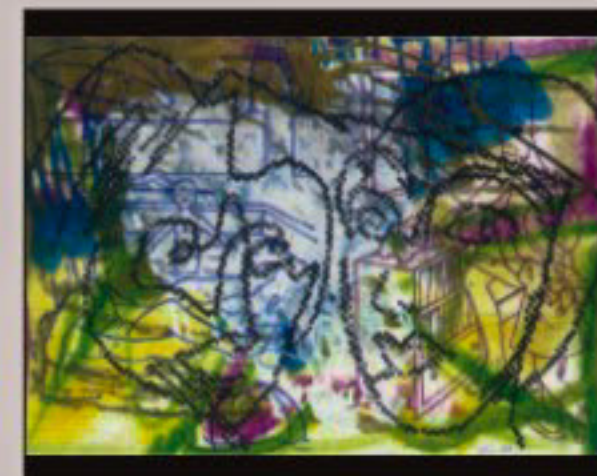
Photography Exhibition
 Photographer: Taslima Akhter
 Title: The Life and Struggle of Garment Workers
 Venue: Drik Gallery, H 58, Rd 15A (new), Dhanmondi
 Date: July 18-24
 Time: 3 pm-8 pm



Uttam Kumar Retrospective
 Organizer: Indra Gandhi Cultural Centre, High Commission of India
 Venue: National Museum, Shahbagh
 Date: July 23-25 Time: 11am onwards
 Complimentary passes at House 35, Road 24, Gulshan 1



Solo Art Exhibition
 Title: Music from an Unknown Source
 Artist: Sigmar Polke
 Venue: Goethe-Institut H-10, R-9, Dhanmondi
 Date: July 15- August 2
 Time: 10 am-8 pm



Bangalee Shamagra's exhibition on Dr. Shahidullah



A cover jacket of a book on display. A CORRESPONDENT

ent fields. The exhibition was inaugurated recently by Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid. National professor Kabir Chowdhury; eminent physician MR Khan; noted poet and educationist Ahmed Rafiq and author Mahmud Shah Qureshi, among others, were present at the programme.

At the exhibition, some manuscripts of Dr. Shahidullah's books, including "Mohabani," "Bangla Shahityer Kotha" and "Bangla Byakaran" are on display. Some items that were used by Dr. Shahidullah like his glasses, wallet, visiting card, letters, postcards etc are

also on display. The exhibition also includes some rare photographs of Dr. Shahidullah with Rabindranath Tagore, Kazi, Motahar Hossain and other historic figures.

Dr. Shahidullah was a polyglot and an expert in philology. Some of the manuscripts feature his handwriting in different languages. Some of the images show Dr. Shahidullah in Paris at different locations -- at his study room, with his family members and at the hospital where he was admitted before his death in 1969.

The exhibition continues till July 30.



Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid inaugurates the exhibition.

On the occasion of the 125th birth anniversary of writer, linguist and philologist Dr. Muhammad Shahidullah, Bangalee Shamagra Museum (BSM) is holding an exhibition at its gallery on Elephant Road, Dhaka.

The exhibition displays memorabilia and publications by and on Dr. Shahidullah.

Bangalee Shamagra makes regular efforts to preserve and display the works of eminent Bengalis from differ-

Buzz "Kajol Rekha": Giasuddin Selim delves into folklore with his new film

SHAH ALAM SHAZU

After his blockbuster "Monpura," TV play and film director Giasuddin Selim is starting his new film. The Daily Star recently caught up with the auteur. Excerpts from the interview:

Tell us about your new film...

Selim: My new film is called "Kajol Rekha." Shooting will start around mid-November or first week of December this year. We'll shoot at Sunamganj and Kapashia. The script requires a *haor* area, which Sunamganj has. I've already been there twice to check out the location. I'm writing the script; have done the second draft. Shooting will continue till August, next year.

Have you decided on the cast?

Selim: Haven't finalised the cast yet. But the crew -- cameraman, editor etc -- will be the same as "Monpura." Might cast some actors who were in "Monpura" as well. I haven't found my "Kajol Rekha" yet though. "Kajol Rekha" is a 300/400 year old story, an era when Bengal was affluent. Kajol Rekha has to be a young girl [between 15 and 20 year old] who'll epitomise that period. Hopefully I'll find her soon.

Tell us more about the set-up and story...

Selim: The story is based on the *pala* style. We're researching on the music for the film; have collected some folk tunes from the Mymensingh region. Songs from the "Mymensingh Geetika" are still popular among the people of that region. We want to use those songs in the film. I haven't yet decided on the music director though.

"Monpura" was a huge hit. Have you been getting offers from mainstream film producers since then?

Selim: I've received many offers but declined. Right now I'm focused on "Kajol Rekha."

Let's go back to "Monpura." How long did it run at the movie theatres?

Selim: "Monpura" ran at Star Cineplex for nine months at a stretch and at Boloka for six months. Outside Dhaka, it



ran at Monihar for eight weeks. Many theatres in Pabna, Khulna and other districts screened it for six/seven weeks.

What has "Monpura" given you apart from the obvious economic gains?

Selim: Everything a filmmaker wants. "Monpura" fetched me honours, appreciation of the audience and much more. Most importantly, it has provided me with a steady platform. People have started believing that directors who start their careers in TV are capable of making a successful transition to the big screen.

What are your expectations from "Kajol Rekha"?

Selim: "Monpura" was purely a Bangla romantic film. "Kajol Rekha" delves into our folklore. With this film, I'll try to delve into our past. Many are familiar with the "Kajol Rekha" story. As for expectations go, I can only say that audiences won't be disappointed. I consider myself an entertainer and I earnestly hope "Kajol Rekha" will entertain the audience.

Outside Bangladesh, where has "Monpura" been screened?

Selim: "Monpura" has been screened in eight/ten major cities around the world. Most

of the audiences were naturally Bengali expats. Outside Bangladesh, the film was first screened in Sydney. Then in Melbourne, New York, Toronto, Montreal, Brussels etc. I've attended a show in Australia. Every show was houseful.

Have you decided on how to promote your new film?

Selim: I do have plans for promoting "Kajol Rekha." Don't want to divulge it right now. Everything needs promotion, films are no different. Before a film hits the theatre, audience needs to know about it. All I can say is that the film will be released in movie theatres, and won't have its premiere on TV. Also, it'll be released in several major cities around the world along with Dhaka.

Which was your first directorial venture?

Selim: "Biprotip," a TV serial was my first directorial project. It was aired on Ekushey TV. It enjoyed popularity too.

Are you directing anything for the coming Eid?

Selim: I'm directing a one-hour play for the coming Eid-ul-Fitr.

What are you working on right now?

Selim: I'm making a 26-episode TV series produced by BBC. I recently went to the UK to shoot the series. The series will be aired on BT.

Oitijhya celebrates 10th anniversary



Collections of literary works by Rabindranath Tagore, Sharat Chandra Chattopadhyay, Manik Bandyopadhyay, Bibhutibhusan Bandyopadhyay and Jibanananda Das are available at the sale.

Publication house Oitijhya celebrates its 10th anniversary this year. To commemorate the occasion, Oitijhya has arranged a book sale at the Central Public Library premises, Shahbagh, according to a press release. The fortnight-long event began on July 15 and will continue till the end of this month. Special discounts are offered on books at the sale.

Oitijhya has been arranging book sales in July-August over the last couple of years.

The house has so far published over 7,000 books. Among them, collections of literature by Rabindranath Tagore, Sharat Chandra Chattopadhyay, Manik Bandyopadhyay, Bibhutibhusan Bandyopadhyay and Jibanananda Das are available at the sale.

Everyday the sale is open from 9 am to 8:30 pm.



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

ATN BANGLA
 01:25 ATN Music
 03:45 Children's Programme
 04:25 Shormali Din
 05:20 Obiraam Bangladesh
 10:45 Documentary: Bihongo Katha
 12:30 Grameenphone Lead News
CHANNEL i
 01:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan
 01:30 Sa Re Ga Ma
 03:05 Fan Club Tournament
 03:45 Boi Ebong Boi
 04:30 Special Programme
 06:00 Business Show
 06:20 TV Series: Robin Hood

07:50 Channel i Shera Kontho'10
 12:00 Grameenphone Ajker Shangbadpotro
ETV
 01:30 Ekush-ey Business
 03:30 Drama
 04:30 School Magazine: Elating Belating
 05:25 Binodon-er Bishwa
 05:45 Sports Plus
 06:30 Desh Jurey Shanglap
 07:50 Tagore Song
DESH TV
 04:30 Bazarey Notun
 05:30 Durpaath
 07:45 Binodon Dunia

12:30 Total Sports
BANGLAVISION
 03:35 Cinebit Shadakalo
 04:15 Swapno Chura
 05:25 Shomridder Bangladesh
 06:00 Ebong Classer Bairey
 06:30 Drama: Hashuli Begum-er Upakatha
 11:20 Street Show: Good Night Raat Biratey
 12:30 Bashudha Cinemar Gaa

HBO
 10:30 Animals
 12:00 Hollywood One On One 96
 12:30 Crocodile Dundee II
 02:30 Beethoven's 2nd
 04:30 Turbulent Skies
 07:00 Timeline
 09:30 The Core
 12:00 Mamma Mia!

STAR MOVIES
 09:25 The Cry Of The Owl
 11:25 Say It Isn't So
 01:25 Diamonds Are Forever
 03:50 X-Men

05:55 Horton
 07:45 All The Boys Love Mandy Lane
 09:30 Babylon A.D
 11:25 A View To A Kill
STAR WORLD
 12:30 Friends
 02:00 America's Got Talent
 03:30 Desperate Housewives
 05:30 White Collar
 07:30 Glee
 08:30 The Simpsons
 10:00 Whose Line Is It Anyways?
 10:30 White Collar
 11:30 How I Met Your Mother
 12:00 The Simpsons

DISCOVERY CHANNEL
 12:00 How Do They Do It?
 12:30 Shark Tribe
 02:30 Animal Face-Off
 03:30 Dinosaur Planet
 06:30 Colossal Squid
 07:30 Build It Bigger
 08:30 Into The Unknown With Josh Bernstein
 10:30 I Shouldn't Be Alive

11:30 A Haunting
 12:30 Colossal Squid
TRAVEL AND LIVING
 10:00 Indian Rendezvous
 11:30 La Ink 2
 02:30 La Ink 2: Cover Girl
 06:30 La Ink: Kat's Back, Where's Hannah?

BBC World
 12:00 BBC World News
 02:30 HARDtalk
 05:00 GMT with George Alagiah
 07:00 Impact Asia with Mishal Husain
 08:30 World Business Report
 09:00 BBC World News
 10:00 The Hub with Nik Gowing
 11:45 Sport Today
 12:00 World News Today with Zeinab Badawi

07:00 World Business Today
 09:00 The Brief
 10:00 Prism
 10:30 World's Untold Stories
 11:00 International Desk
 12:00 Quest Means Business
TEN SPORTS
 10:30 Sri Lanka v India 2010: 1st Test Day 3 (Live)
 06:00 WWE After Burn
 07:00 Motorsport Mundial
 07:30 NBA Finals 2010
 08:00 Moto GP 2010 Highlights
 12:00 Sri Lanka v India 2010: 1st Test Day 3 H/L's

Star Cricket
 10:00 Natwest Series 2005 - Tri Series Match H/L
 11:30 Calypso Beats
 03:30 2001 Natwest Tri-Series (Eng/aus/pak)
 06:30 Natwest Series 2010 Highlights
 08:30 Great Indian Partnerships
 12:20 ICC World T20 2010 - Express H/L

Talk Show
ATN BANGLA
 10:30am Hello Bangladesh
 11:10am Asian City Vision 2020
 06:15pm Kathamala
CHANNEL i
 09:50am Grameenphone Tillo Maatra
 12:30pm Cityoel Taroka
ETV
 10:10pm Galpo Shalpo Gaan
Banglavision
 09:05pm Parompora
DESH TV
 11:45am Shoja Katha

Drama Serial
ATN BANGLA
 08:00pm Madhobi Villa
 08:40pm Tomato Ketchup
 09:20pm Poush Fagun-er Pala
 10:55pm Nondini
 11:30pm Oit
CHANNEL i
 05:30pm Mon
 11:30pm All Out
ETV
 08:20pm Ek E Shunya Dosh
 09:30pm Jahur Ali Jahuri
DESH TV
 08:15pm Shubhra
 09:45pm Khoar
 10:30pm Metro
BANGLAVISION
 08:15pm Jolpukur
 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.
 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

Jahur Ali Jahuri
 On ETV at 09:30pm
 Drama Serial
 Cast: Anisur Rahman Milon, Bindu
A View To A Kill
 On Star Movies at 11:25pm
 Genre: Action/Thriller
 Cast: Roger Moore, Christopher Walken, Tanya Roberts
Madhabi Villa
 On ATN Bangla at 8:00 pm
 Drama Serial
 Cast: Ramendu Majumdar, Shoyeb

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 Mukhonto
 09:00 Jiboney
 12:00 Darun Dupurey
 03:00 Duranto Bikeloy
 05:00 Shondhatara
 07:00 Shajer Maya
 09:00 Raat-er Akashey
 11:00 Golper Shesh Nei
RADIO FOORTI
 07:30 Hello Dhaka
 10:00 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