

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

**Nazrul Sangeet**  
**Artiste:** Dr. Nashid Kamal  
**Venue:** High Commission of India Cultural Centre, H-35, R-24, Gulshan-1  
**Date:** July 31  
**Time:** 7pm



### 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



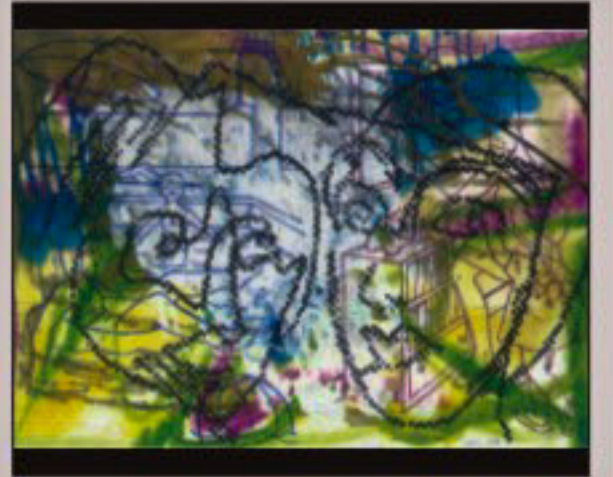
### Uttam Kumar Retrospective

**Organiser:** 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



## In Focus

# Muktagachha twin temples in shambles

AMINUL ISLAM, Mymensingh

The over two centuries old historic twin temples in Muktagachha are in a sorry state -- gradually losing its devotees over the last couple of years. The dilapidated state of the temples, called Sri Sri Anandamoyee Shiva and Kali Mata Mandir, has been caused due to utter negligence of the authorities concerned over the years. Though the Archaeological Department is in charge of preservation, it had not taken a single step in the last 17 years, according to many devotees.

The department has put up signs claiming the temples are under its supervision and urging people not to damage it in anyway.

The temples, unique in design, are just outside the mansions of the Muktagachha Zamindars (landlords) and were used for their religious activities. It is oblong in shape with little corridors on a high platform. Steps from the temple connect it to a nearby pond.

The Ministry of Cultural Affairs took charge of the temples as an archaeological site (in 1993) for its proper preservation but nothing has been done yet, said Goutam Kumar Saha, president of temple committee.

The twin temples, most remarkable among the temples in Muktagachha for their artistic design, were commissioned in 1820 by Srimoti Bimola Debi, mother of Maharaja Shashikanta Acharya Chowdhury.

The temples with a large pond in front of them is also known as Dakshineswar Temple where religious functions including Durga Puja, solemnising of marriages, sacrificial activities, especially on the occasion of Kali and



Of late, cracks have developed on the roofs and walls of the temples, threatening a collapse of the ancient structures. PHOTO: STAR

Monosha puja etc are held. Special puja is held during every full moon and new moon and on the occasion of Pahela Baishakh. Devotees from

far and wide gather at the temple on various occasions to seek blessings.

Of late, cracks have developed on the roofs and walls of the temples through which rainwater seeps in, threatening the collapse of the temple at any moment. Weeds have grown on the ceiling and walls, giving them a deserted look. According to sources, through local initiatives some renovation work was done a few years ago which is insufficient to protect the temples from ultimate decay.

Rakesh Chakraborty, temple's puhoit, said that the rush of devotees has diminished in recent years, because of the dilapidated condition of the temples. The temples have no income to go for their maintenance, he added.

"We urged the local political leaders and administration several times but none came forward," said Aboni Kumar Saha, secretary of the temple committee.

Steps for renovation work to protect the temple from further ruin should be taken immediately, as it is a heritage site, said Molina Sen, a retired primary school teacher.



# Playing with colours

## Children's painting competition

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Speakers at a children's painting competition yesterday said that practicing art could bring about a qualitative change in the behaviour of people.

They were speaking at a function organised in Uttara, Dhaka in connection with the Shanghai World Fair 2010 now being held in China.

CRI-SMF Confucius Classroom Tuesday organised an exhibition of paintings by the young artists of Shanto-Mariam Academy of Creative Technology who had won prizes in the competition. The exhibition was followed by a prize giving ceremony.

A total of 37 young painters were awarded in different age categories in the competition.

The prize-winning paintings on the theme "Better City Better Life" will be sent to an international competition at Shanghai. If any of the competitors win, at least one will get the chance to go to Shanghai



Winners receiving awards from the dignitaries.

World Fair 2010, informed the organisers.

Cultural Secretary Hedayetullah Al-Mamun was the chief guest and Chinese Ambassador Zhang Xianyi was the special guest. They gave away

the prizes and gifts to the winners of the painting competition.

The Chinese director of CRI-SMF Confucius Classroom, Yang Weiming, Chinese Cultural Counselor Qian Kai Fu, chairman of

Shanto-Mariam Foundation Imamul Kabir Shanto, Vice Chancellor of Shanto-Mariam University of Creative Technology Dr. Shamsul Huq and noted painter Hashem Khan were also present at the event.

## NEW RELEASES

**Praner Manush Achhey Praney**  
 Solo album of Rabintra Sangeet by Kamolesh Kumar Das  
 Source: Laser Vision

**Kagojer Nouka**  
 Solo album of adhunik songs by Shilpi Biswas  
 Source: Sangeeta

**Surjo Chho (n)bo Boley**  
 Solo album of adhunik songs by Sabrina  
 Source: Laser Vision

**Bhalobashar Shesh Nei**  
 Mixed album featuring adhunik songs  
 Source: Laser Vision

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

ATN BANGLA	RTV	HBO	STAR MOVIES	DISCOVERY CHANNEL	BBC WORLD	CNN	ESPN	Talk Show
12:15 Musical Programme: Shesh Okkhor	12:00 Grameenphone Aiker Shangbadpotro	12:30 Concert	10:10 Vip Access: Inception	09:30 Survivorman	12:00 BBC World News	12:00 World Report i Report for CNN	12:00 Sportscenter Week In Review	12:30pm Citycell Taroka Kathan
01:30 Documentary Programme: Prapok	12:30 Drama: Digbaji	11:00 The Pacific S108: Part Eight	04:30 Superhero Movie	11:30 Destroyed In Seconds	01:10 Weekend World	02:00 Larry King Live	02:00 Football Asia	Rtv 07:00pm Road To Democracy
02:35 Bangla Feature Film	03:10 Drama: Kala Koitor	12:30 Taking Chance	06:05 Bangkok Dangerous	03:30 Secrets Of The Dinosaur Mummy	01:30 Dangers In The Dust	06:00 Rescue: Saving The Gulf	03:00 Global Football	Channel i 09:45am Grameenphone Tritiomatra
06:15 Suqare Hospital Shushitho Thakun	04:30 Cinema R Gaan	02:00 The Cell 2	06:10 Drama: Chena Ochenaar	04:30 Deadly Waters	02:30 Heritage Heroes	07:00 Political Mann	03:25 FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup Germany 2010	DESH TV 11:45pm Shoja Katha
10:45 Bihango Katha	05:00 Protidin	04:30 Mortal Kombat Annihilation			03:30 Newsnight	07:00 Commonweath Bank Series (4th Odi)- Highlights	03:25 FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup Germany 2010	
12:30 Grameenphone Lead News	06:00 Griho Shoili	07:00 Duplicitly			07:30 Talking Movies	08:00 Senior Open Championship 2010	05:30 Sec Women's Gymnastics 2010 FIFA World Cup Matchday Highlights	
CHANNEL i	09:45 Core Vision For Business	09:30 Hancock			09:10 Storyville	08:30 India Cricket Weekly 2010	05:30 Sec Women's Gymnastics 2010 FIFA World Cup Matchday Highlights	
01:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan	11:45 Jegey Achho Ki	11:30 The Unborn			12:00 BBC World News	10:00 STAR Mail 2010	07:00 Senior Open Championship 2010	
01:30 Bangla Feature Film	BANGLAVISION	STAR MOVIES			01:10 How I Met Your Mother	11:30 Boycott's Best	08:00 Senior Open Championship 2010	
05:50 Reality Show: Fan Club Tournament	12:05 Onyo Nayon	10:10 Vip Access: Inception			02:00 Whose line is it anyways		08:00 Senior Open Championship 2010	
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					11:30 VIP		08:00 Senior Open Championship 2010	

### News Bulletin

<b>BTV</b> 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).	9:00 am, 2:00 pm, 9:00 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:30 am <b>ATN BANGLA</b> NEWS (Bangla): 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm, 11:00 pm, 1:00 am, 4:00 am News (English) at 6:00pm <b>Rtv</b> News (Bangla): 2:30 pm, 4:30 pm, 6:30 pm, 8:30 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:30 am <b>ntv</b> News (Bangla): 7:30am, 12:02pm, 2:00pm,	1:30pm, 5:00pm, 7:15pm, 10:30pm. News Headlines (Bangla) at 10:00am, 12:00am, 4:00pm. News (English) at 6:00pm <b>Rtv</b> News (Bangla): 2:30 pm, 4:30 pm, 6:30 pm, 8:30 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:30 am <b>ntv</b> News (Bangla): 7:30am, 12:02pm, 2:00pm,	7:30pm, 10:30pm, 1:00am <b>ETV</b> News (Bangla): 9:00am, 11:00 am, 1:00pm, 3:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:00pm, 11:00pm <b>abc radio</b> 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
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**Choita Pagol**  
 On Channel i at 07:50pm  
 Drama Serial  
 Cast: Mahfuz Ahmed, Joya Ahsan

**Lust, Caution**  
 On Zee Studio at 11:30pm  
 Genre: Drama/Romance  
 Cast: Tony Leung Chiu Wai, Wei Tang, Joan Chen

**Lilaboti**  
 On ATN Bangla at 09:20pm  
 Drama Serial  
 Cast: Shahiduzzaman Selim, Bindu

**RADIO FOORTI**  
 08:00 Addabazi  
 02:00 Foorti Unlimited  
 06:00 Bumper to Bumper  
 10:00 Back to Back music

**abc radio fm 89.2**  
 06:00 Bhorer Janalay  
 09:00 Mukhorto Jiboney  
 12:25 Standard Chartered-The Daily Star Jiboner Joygaan

**RADIO TODAY**  
 07:15 Good Morning Dhaka  
 11:00 Musti Unlimited  
 01:00 Today's World Music  
 03:00 Duranto Bikeley  
 05:00 Shondhataro  
 07:00 Shajer Maya  
 09:00 Raat-er Akashey  
 11:00 Golper Shesh Nei