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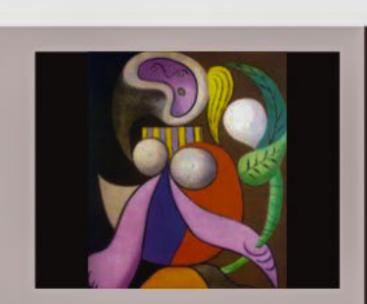
The Baily Star



**Children's Painting Exhibition** Title: Aamar Rongey Aamar Ma Organiser: Rang Venue: Drik Gallery, H 58, Rd 15A (New), Dhanmondi Date: August 16-19 Time: 11am-8pm



**Dress Exhibition** Title: Woman and Flower Venue: Drik Gallery H 58, Rd 15A (New), Dhanmondi Date: August 20-September 2 Time: 3pm-9pm

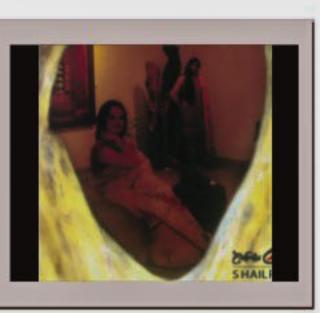


Selim Al Deen **Birth Anniversary Celebration 2010** Venue: Experimental Theatre Hall, Shilpakala Date: August 18-21 Time: 7:30pm Inauguration: Today at

4:30pm



**Dress Exhibition** Organiser: Nahida Sharmeen Venue: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, H-275F, R-16, Dhanmondi Date: August 14-20 Time: 11am-8pm



# The Liberation War in black and white

Art book published by Sadakalo



TAKIR HOSSAIN

Last year, Sadakalo published a book titled "Sadakalo '71" (a collection of paintings, drawings and sketches on the Liberation War). The album brings together black and white reproductions of some selected works by 57 artists. The artworks depict diverse subjects related to the war -- ranging from the valour of the freedom fighters to scenes of genocide as well as reminiscences and varied chapters of the war.

The album has been enriched with artworks by Zainul Abedin, Quamrul Hassan, Shafiuddin Ahmed, SM Sultan, Mohammad Kibria, Aminul Islam, Rashid Chawdhury, Murtaja Baseer, Syed Jahangir, Abdur Razzaque, Mustafa Monowar, Kazi Abdul Baset, Hashem Khan, Nitun Kundu, Samarjit Roy Chowdhury, Rafiqun Nabi, Monirul Islam, Abdus Shakoor Shah, Biren Shome, Shahabuddin Ahmed, Ranjit Das, Shishir Bhattacharjee, Sheikh Afzal, Nisar Hossain, Kanak Chanpa Chakma and others.

The painters have used different mediums like charcoal, pen and ink, pastel, wash, oil, acrylic, watercolour etc. Most of the works are drawing-based.

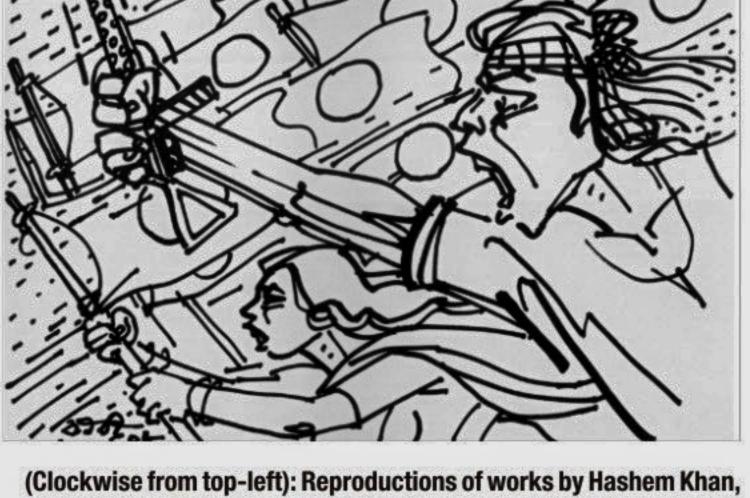
Most of these painters have had a deep attachment with the war. Some of them participated in the war and portrayed their personal struggles and observations. During the war, a

number of these painters were students of the then Dacca Art College

and were passionately involved with

the movement for freedom. Biren Shome says, "I was enrolled in Dacca Art College (now Faculty of Fine Arts, University of Dhaka) in 1965. I was involved with student politics. For me, Liberation War often naturally becomes the subject of my works." "Smritir Ekattur" is one of his noted series of works. Besides Liberation War, his works also focus on riverine life, rural beauty, nature and lives of the common people.

In the album, Shome's "Liberation War" gives the viewer a glance of joy and victory. The artist wanted to depict the freedom fighters' valour and their dedication to the country. Freedom fighters on the move, con-



Rafiqun Nabi, Samarjit Roy Chowdhury and Ranjit Das in the Sadakalo compilation.

picturesque terms, with the Bangladeshi flag are noticeable in his works. The figures are marked by fearless movements, soulful expressions and realistic approaches.

Swapan Chowdhury is another prominent painter whose work has been included in the collection. The war had a profound effect on the themes of his paintings. He is greatly influenced by Shomnath Hore, one of the noted painters and sculptors of India. "When the Liberation War began in 1971, there were many artists working in Calcutta (now Kolkata), Delhi and Patna. With me were Devdas Chokroborty, Nitun Kundu, Hashi Chorkoborty and Biren Shome," recalls Chowdhury. For Chowdhury, the Liberation War remains an unforgettable chapter of his life. Most of his works portray the brutality of war. In the album, his litho provides a chaotic and violent war scene.

Liberation War has been a recurring theme of painter Shahabuddin

veyed symbolically and in vivid Ahmed's works. The artist says, "I always paint with the Liberation War at the forefront of my mind. It is our main pillar for existence, which gives us spirit and strength to survive.

"Everyone should be open and liberal in his/her political notions and I think people should have a clear conception of political beliefs and values. I am really doubtful of the people who are not clear about their political viewpoints," says Ahmed.

In the album, his "Buddhijibi Hotta" recalls the cruelty of the Pakistani Army and the oil piece shows bodies of martyred intellectuals scattered about.

As a freedom fighter Hashem Khan was wounded in the 1971 war. He witnessed many heart-rending incidents on the war-field. "The Revolt of Bengal", "The Speech of March 7", "The River of '71" and "The Letter of '71" are some of his series on the theme. In the album, his "7th March, 1971" delves deep into a nation's yearning for freedom. Male and female figures are visible in his works. His figures and colours are bold and animated.

Nitun Kundu was one of the leading modern sculptors of Bangladesh; he had to his credit "Sabash Bangladesh" on Rajshahi University campus -- a moving tribute to the war. He did many paintings as well. Most of his works are form and compositionbased. Kundu graduated from the Government Institute of Arts (now Faculty of Fine Arts, University of Dhaka). During that time there was no sculpture department at the institution. He was a student of the painting department. He gradually developed his skills in the sculpture medium. In the album, one of his posters, depicting heroism of a freedom fighter, has been included.

Ranjit Das is a socially aware painter who tries to capture personal relationships, socio-economic and political dilemmas. Contemplative faces are common features in his paintings. In the album his featured work, "Muktir Gaan", shows people getting together for a demonstration.



# **Actors Apurbo and Prova** tied the knot

TV actors Ziaul Haque Apurbo and Sadia Jahan Prova tied the

son. Incidentally, Prova was engaged to someone else on April 16 this year.

Prova and Apurbo would feature as co-artistes in 10 TV plays set to air during the upcoming Eid. Apart from these, they will also appear in a six-episode mini-serial titled "Pakhir Dana-e Bhor".

Chayanika Chowdhury is directing the serial that would also be aired during the Eid-ul-Fitr. Interestingly enough, the serial shows Apurbo and Prova's characters eloping and getting married.

# The Bengali connection

Book tracing history of Bengali

A new book documenting the history of Bengali settlers in east London has been launched, according to a press

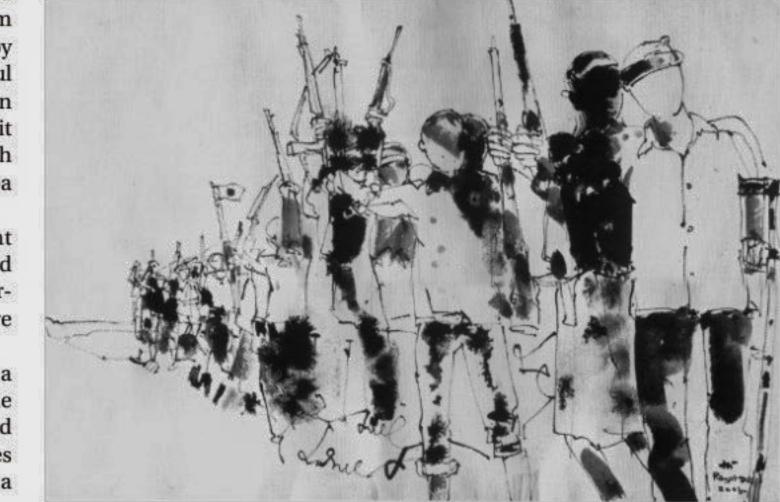
Bengalis understand their roots and give the multi-ethnic British society an impression of the Bengali culture," said Mohammad Belal Ahmed, president of London-Bangla Press Club and chief editor of the weekly Surma. Ahmed was the chief guest at a discussion on the book on August 16. The event was held at Kobi Nazrul Centre in East London.

presence in the UK is something relatively new -- from the 1950s, at its earliest.

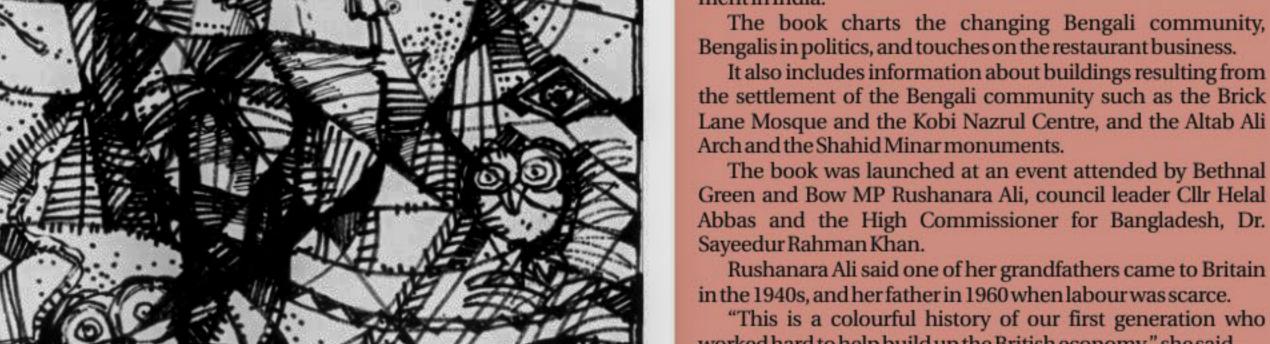
"In fact this is very far from the case. The connection goes back over 400 years, right to the beginnings of British involve-

Green and Bow MP Rushanara Ali, council leader Cllr Helal Abbas and the High Commissioner for Bangladesh, Dr. Sayeedur Rahman Khan.

worked hard to help build up the British economy," she said.









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

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Tele-film

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0:30	ATN Rannaghar
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# **Banglavision**

The Spirit of Islam Daily Soap: Gulshan Avenue Amader Jiboney Ramjan Hamd, Naat O Alochona 06:00 Sangbad Protidin 12:00

# **Desh TV** Khelar Shokal

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**ATN NEWS** Sports Insight 11:30 Amader Katha Pramanno Shomoy Saat Rang (Live) 08:30 Joley Jongoley **NEWS HOUR** 09:00

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Movies

# 09:30 Wanted Star Trek IV The Voyage Home

The Delphi Effect 03:45 The Hottie And The Nottie Nim's Island 05:20 Kill Switch 07:00 Three Men And A Baby

# 88 Minutes 10:35 **Zee Studio**

Spy Kids 3-D:Game Over 10 things I hate about you Scoop The Guardian

The Italian Job

### 11:30 Collateral **Star World**

Castle 01:30 **Criminal Minds** 05:30 06:30 Glee 07:30

Rendezvous With Simi Garewal Moment Of Truth 09:30 Glee 10:30

## **Cartoon Network** Toon Toast 08:30

Shrek the Third 12:30 Tom and Jerry Show Billy Mandy Aur Life Mein Star Wars-The Clone Wars Tom and Jerry Tales 11:30

# **Discovery Channel**

How The Universe Works Meerkats With Nigel Marven Animal Face-Off 07:30 Man Vs. Wild

The Detonators

Destroyed In Seconds **Travel and Living** 11:30 La Ink

09:30

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Feast Bazaar

Colours Of India Snake Week 08:30 09:30 Super Cars Week 2 10:30 A Childhood Promise 11:00 Most Amazing Moments 11:30 True Stories

# **BBC World BBC World News** Peschardt's People

World News Today with Lyse 07:00 Doucet 09:30 Click 10:00 The Hub with Nik Gowing 10:40 Weekend World World News Today with Zeinab 12:00

### CNN 12:00 World Report 02:30 The Best of BackStory Larry King Live 03:00

The Brief 09:00 10:30 Political Mann 12:00 **Quest Means Business** 

# A CORRESPONDENT

knot last Wednesday, according to Apurbo's family sources. The wedding took place in Mymensingh in the presence of a few close friends of both Apurbo and Prova. Apurbo's family, particularly his mother is happy for her

settlers in London launched

"'Bengalis in London's East End' traces the roots of Bengali heritage in England. This book would help young British

Researched, compiled and edited by Ansar Ahmed Ullah and John Eversley of heritage organisation the Swadhinata Trust, the authors write: "It is commonly believed the Bengali

mentin India."

Lane Mosque and the Kobi Nazrul Centre, and the Altab Ali The book was launched at an event attended by Bethnal

Among others, Swadhinata Trust's founder president, former Councillor Sonahar Alo spoke at the discussion. The book has been published by Swadhinata Trust.

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**Talk Show** 

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08:15pm Patigonit

08:15pm Anubhumi

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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

pm, 10:30 pm, 12:30 am News Headlines (Bangla) **ATN BANGLA** at 9:00 am. News (Bangla) at 8:00 am 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): 7:00 am, News (Bangla) at 7:30am.

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12:02pm, 2:00pm,

ETV News (Bangla): 9:00am, 11:00 am, 1:00pm, 3:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:00pm, 11:00pm abc radio

7:30pm, 10:30pm,

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



**Nahar Begumer Shesh Dinguli** On Channel i at 02:30pm Telefilm Cast: Ferdousi Majumder, Saberi Alam



The Italian Job On Zee Studio at 9:00pm Genre: Action/Thriller Cast: Mark Wahlberg, Charlize Theron, Edward Norton



Ja Kichhu Prothom On Desh TV at 07:45pm **Celebrity Talk Show** Hosted by Bijori Barkatullah

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abc radio fm 89.2 Bhorer Janalay Mukhorito Jiboney **Darun Dupurey** 12:00 **Duranto Bikeley** 03:00 05:00 Shondhatara Shajer Maya 07:00

Raat-er Akashey

Golper Shesh Nei

02:00 Foorti Unlimited 06:00 Bumper to Bumper 10:00 Club Foorti Back to Back 01:00 music **RADIO TODAY** 07:15 Good Morning

Dhaka Today's World 01:00 Music U Turn 04:00 08:00 Tobey Tai Hok 11:00 Raat Bhor Gaan