

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

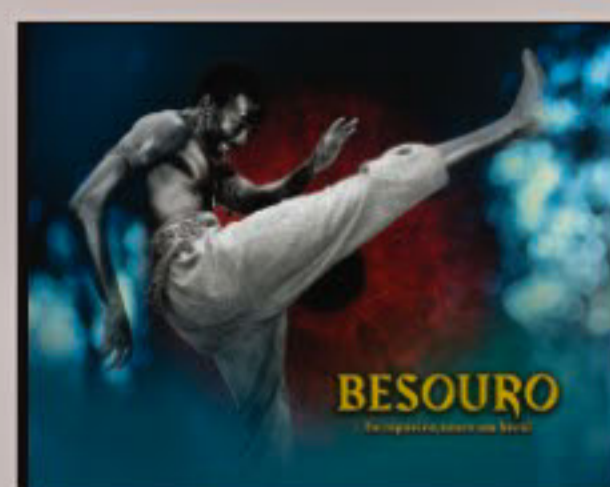
### Solo Art Exhibition

**Title:** Innocence and Experience  
**Artist:** Mohammad Iqbal  
**Venue:** Gallery Chitrag, H-21, R-4, Dhanmondi  
**Date:** September 24-October 12  
**Time:** 10am-8pm



### Film Festival

**Title:** 3rd Int'l Film Week '10  
**Organiser:** Jahangirnagar Students' Film Society  
**Venue:** Zahir Raihan Auditorium, JU  
**Date:** October 3-9  
**Time:** 3pm onwards



### Photography Exhibition

**Title:** Solidarites  
**International:** Restoring Lives  
**Venue:** Alliance Francaise de Dhaka, 26, Mirpur Road, Dhanmondi  
**Date:** October 2-15  
**Time:** 3-9pm



### Theatre

**Play:** Daakghar  
**Troupe:** Swapnadal  
**Venue:** Studio Theatre Hall, Shilpakala Academy  
**Date:** October 6  
**Time:** 7pm



## Swadhin Bangla Betar Kendra artiste Bipul Bhattacharya critically ill

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Swadhin Bangla Betar Kendra artiste Bipul Bhattacharya is fighting for his life at Delta Hospital, Dhaka.

Bhattacharya, a renowned folk singer, has lung cancer. As his condition worsened last Saturday, he was moved to the Intensive Care Unit of Delta Hospital where he has been undergoing treatment since September 27.

Bhattacharya was among those who used their creative abilities to inspire the nation during the Liberation War. He was a member of the troupe 'Bangladesh Mukti Shangrami Shilpi Shangstha' which travelled to and performed at refugee and freedom fighter camps during the war. Artists like him were able to keep the dream of independence alive through their songs.

About the ailing artiste, fellow singer Rafiqul Alam said, "Artistes, litterateurs, intellectuals took shelter with the refugees at borders during the war. Litterateur Dipen Bandopadhyay was the chairman of International Peace Commission. He along with singers Konika Bandopadhyay, Suchitra Mitra, Kaifi Azmi (father of Shabana Azmi) and others formed a musical squad that was led by noted Tagore exponent Sanjida Khatun. Bipul joined the troupe later in August, 1971 and had been with the team till the end. The troupe's main intention was to raise funds for the guerrillas and alleviate the misery of the countless refugees who lived in camps set up in India.



Through our songs, we embodied the dream of a liberated Bangladesh. In between, we participated in the programmes of Swadhin Bangla Betar Kendra."

"Bipul was very active throughout the mission. We would render one of my songs 'Saat Koti Aaj Prohori Prodi' in West Bengal. Sarwar Jahan Chowdhury, Probal Chowdhury, Rathindra Nath Roy, Shaheen Samad were there with us at Balughat, West Bengal. I have lots of memories with Bipul of that time. We recorded songs for 'Muktir Gaan' under Samar Das' direction. We would sing a Nazrul song 'Eki Oporup Roopey Ma Tomaye' where Bipul stood out in the folk portion while I rendered kirtan. Later we worked together at both Betar (radio) and TV. His current physical state breaks my heart," the singer added.

The troupe's journey was documented on film by American filmmaker Lear Levin. Twenty-five years later, Tareque and Catherine Masud recovered the footage from Levin's basement and used it in their award-

winning film "Muktir Gaan". The success of the documentary once more put Bipul Bhattacharya and his comrades in the limelight.

Tareque and Catherine Masud on Bipul Bhattacharya: Bipul Bhattacharya is the soul of "Muktir Gaan". His voice, singing uplifting folk songs about the Liberation War, infuses the film with power and grace. Without Bipul Bhattacharya, there would be no "Muktir Gaan".

First we lost Dulal Chandra Shil, the talented dotara player who died before "Muktir Gaan" was finished. Then we lost Moshad Ali, the songwriter whose contribution behind the scenes cannot be underestimated. But we don't want to lose our beloved Bipul da. We appeal to the Prime Minister, who has done so much to help other artistes of the country in their times of need, to lend her generous hand to save Bipul da, the shining light of "Muktir Gaan", the film which has helped to preserve the spirit of the Liberation War for generations to come.

## Alicia Keys teams up with Professor Yunus and social business

Nobel laureate Professor Muhammad Yunus and twelve-time Grammy Award winner singer Alicia Keys met late September at the Clinton Global Initiative, according to a press release. She has been an admirer of Professor Yunus' work and expressed her interest in collaborating with him to promote social business around the world, focusing particularly in Africa. She met Professor Yunus to discuss her possible role in the social business movement. Professor Yunus suggested that she could be a social business ambassador and the artiste readily agreed. As part of the agreement, she will introduce the concept of social business to her audience during her performances.

Keys' debut album, "Songs in A Minor", earned her five Grammy Awards in 2002, including Best New Artist and Song of the Year for "Fallin'." Her second studio album, "The Diary of Alicia Keys" fetched her additional four Grammy Awards in 2005. Her third studio album,



Alicia Keys (right) with Professor Yunus.

"As I Am", was released in the same year and sold six million copies worldwide, earning Keys three more Grammy Awards. Throughout her career, Keys has won numerous awards and has sold over 30 million albums worldwide. Billboard magazine named her the top R&B artist of the 2000-2009 decade, establishing herself as one of the best-selling artistes of her time. In 2010, VH1 included Keys on its list of the 100 Greatest Artistes of All Time.

Alicia Keys is active in Africa in combating HIV/AIDS. She offered to work with Professor Yunus to launch social business programmes to help the AIDS victims, design and operate special villages for HIV/AIDS patients and their families. These programmes will be launched next year in South Africa and gradually expand in other African countries and India.

Professor Yunus invited Keys to visit Bangladesh. She assured him that she would come to Bangladesh as soon as her schedule permits.

## Ustad Aziz Islam's solo flute evening

A CORRESPONDENT

Rotary Club of Motijheel, recently arranged Ustad Aziz Islam's solo flute musical evening at National Theatre Hall, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy. The programme, began with an *dhun*, played on raaga-Sree that ran or 50 minutes. The show was dedicated to the memory of internationally acclaimed playwright Sayeed Ahmed. For-



Ustad Aziz Islam (3-R) at the programme. Chief Justice present as the chief guest. Mohammad Fazlul Karim was Parvin Ahmed, wife of late

Sayeed Ahmed was present at the programme. Kamal Lohani, Director General of Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy presided over the musical soiree.

In the second phase of the programme, Islam played some popular tunes to a captive audience. An audio CD, based on Islam's live show at Mumbai was also released at the programme. The event was sponsored by Prime Bank Ltd.

## DS Café



DS Café has received a tremendous response from you, the readers. We want to involve you more. Now the readers get to vote for the celebrity of the month and we'll have him or her at DS Café respond to your questions. Every month we'll give a choice of three cultural personalities and the one receiving the most votes will be on the hot seat at DS Café. This month's shortlist includes (A) artist-cartoonist Rafiqun Nabi (Ronobi); (B) singer-lyricist Krishnokoli Islam; (C) actor Mosharraf Karim.

Send your vote to culture\_dailystar@yahoo.com. The subject of the mail should read "DS Café: Vote". The last date of entry is October 25, 2010. We're all ears...



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	Badminton Championship (live)
05:20	Obiraam Bangladesh
10:45	Bihongo Katha
12:30	Grameenphone Lead News
CHANNEL i	
01:05	Ebong Cinemar Gaan
01:30	Hridoyer Gaan
04:05	Muktijuddha Protidin
07:50	Channel i Shera Kantho 2010
12:00	Grameenphone Ajker Shingbadpotro

ntv	
04:10	Janar Achhey Bolaar Achhey
05:30	Apnaar Jigyasha
06:10	Shubho Shondha
06:45	Frankly Speaking (live)
09:00	Glamour World
11:30	Oronyer Shukh Dukh
ETV	
03:30	Drama
04:30	Eiating Belating
05:25	Binodon-er Bishwa
05:45	Pramanno Shomoy
06:30	Desh Jurey Shanglap
07:50	Tagore Song
Rtv	
10:45	Bashudha Tarokalap

12:05	Bashudha Protidiner Gaan
02:30	Bangla Feature Film
06:00	Shustha Thakun Protidin
11:45	Very Filmy
DESH TV	
04:30	Bazarey Notun
05:30	Durpaath
07:45	Binodon Dunia
10:30	Mega Serial: Bhojokot
12:30	Total Sports
BANGLAVISION	
03:35	Cinebit Shadakalo
04:15	Drama Serial: Swapno Chura
06:00	Ebong Classer Bairey
09:05	Style File
11:25	Good Night Raat Biratay
12:30	Bashudha Cinemar Gaan
ATN NEWS	
11:30	Sports Insight
02:15	Amader Katha
05:15	Pramanno Shomoy
07:30	Saat Rang (Live)
08:30	Ekdin Protidin
Boishakhi TV	
07:35	Shur Shoptok

03:15	Talka
04:10	Shorashori Doctor
11:30	Boishakhi Shongskriti O Binodon
Diganta TV	
11:30	Chitro Bichitro
12:30	Score Cards
03:30	Shahityalap
05:30	Shur Shurobbi
06:05	Dosh Diganta
08:05	Lime Light
Zee Studio	
11:00	Adam Sandler's Eight Crazy Nights
01:30	Life is Beautiful
04:10	Reindeer Games
07:20	The Grudge 2
09:30	The Princess Diaries
12:00	Scream 3
HBO	
10:00	Center Stage: Turn It Up
12:30	Dragon Fight
04:00	The Usual Suspects
07:00	Star Trek II The Wrath Of Khan
09:30	10,000 B.C.
11:30	The Shepherd

Star Movies	
10:05	Bonneville
11:45	Meet Dave
03:30	The Deal
07:00	Someone Like You
08:45	Children Of The Corn
10:25	Golden Gate
12:00	Mirrors
National Geographic	
12:30	True Stories
01:30	Inside: Google
03:30	Dubai's Dream Palace
04:30	Monkey Thieves
05:30	Amazing Moments
08:30	Nat Geo Wild
09:30	Ultimate Skyscraper Nyc
10:30	Mumbai Mega Flood
Discovery Channel	
10:30	Build It Bigger
12:30	Haunting
07:30	Tme Warp
08:30	Mnster Tracker
09:30	Man Ys Wild
10:30	Was Bitten

BBC World	
12:00	BBC World News
02:30	HARDtalk
04:45	Sport Today
05:00	GMT with George Alagiah
07:00	Impact Asia with Mishal Husain
09:00	BBC World News
10:00	The Hub with Nik Gowing
11:30	World Business Report
CNN	
12:00	World Report
03:00	Larry King Live
05:30	Sanjay Gupta MD
07:00	World Business Today
08:00	International Desk
10:00	Prism
12:00	Quest Means Business
Star Cricket	
11:30	Airtel Champions League
02:00	Australia Down And Under
09:30	Cricket Up Close
10:00	Npower Test Series
11:00	India's Best with Sunil Gavaskar
11:30	Champions Trophy Classics

Talk Show	
ATN BANGLA	ETV
10:30am	Hello Bangladesh
10:10pm	Galpo Shalpo Gaan
CHANNEL i	ntv
12:30pm	Citycell Taroka Kathon
12:30am	Ei Shomoy
11:30pm	Bola Bahulyo
11:45pm	Shoja Katha

Drama Serial	
ATN Bangla	Rtv
09:20pm	Poush Phaguner Pala
08:30pm	Beauty Parlour
09:05pm	Porsbi Bari
10:55pm	Nondini
10:10pm	Shiyal Pondit
11:30pm	Dui Shalik
CHANNEL i	DESH TV
08:15pm	Shubhra
05:30pm	Koushol
09:45pm	Khoar
ntv	BANGLAVISION
08:15pm	Manabjomin
08:15pm	Mad Bhai
09:45pm	Dhupchhaya
09:45pm	Fifty Fifty
ETV	Boishakhi TV
08:20pm	EK E Shunja Dosh
08:00pm	Empty Pocket
09:30pm	Jahur Ali Jahuri
09:10pm	Momer Putul

News Bulletin	
BTV	News Headlines (Bangla) at 9:00 am.
01:30	Hridoyer Gaan
04:05	Muktijuddha Protidin
07:50	Channel i Shera Kantho 2010
12:00	Grameenphone Ajker Shingbadpotro

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): 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
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

Shubhro
On Desh TV at 08:15pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Momo, Iresh Zaker

The Grudge 2
On Zee Studio at 07:20pm
Genre: Horror
Cast: Sarah Michelle Gellar, Jason Behr

Raat Biratay
On Banglavisian at 11:25 pm
Celebrity Street Show
Guest: Nancy

RADIO FOORTI	
07:30	Hello Dhaka
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
09:00	Mukhorito Jiboney
12:00	Darun Dupurey
03:00	Duranto Bikelley
05:00	Shondhalara
07:00	Shajer Maya
09:00	Raat-er Akashy
11:00	Golper Shesh Nei
RADIO TODAY	
07:15	Good Morning Dhaka
11:00	Must 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