





<p>WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK</p>	<p>Korean Film Fest Organiser: Embassy of the Republic of Korea Venue: Main Auditorium, National Museum, Shahbagh Date: December 5-11 Time: 11am onwards</p> 	<p>Drawing Exhibition Artist: Rafiqun Nabi Venue: Gallery Chittrak, H-21, R-4, Dhanmondi Date: December 3-20 Time: 10am-8pm</p> 	<p>Solo Musical Soiree Artist: Dr. Shama Ali Venue: Indira Gandhi Cultural Centre, H-35, Rd-24, Gulshan-1 Date: December 11 Time: 6:30pm</p> 	<p>Jazz Show Troupe: The Ari Roland Jazz Quartet Organiser: US Embassy in Dhaka and Nriyadhara Venue: National Theatre Hall, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy Date: December 10 Time: 7pm</p> 
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PAST PERFECT

Going back in time with Suborna Mustafa



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With an impressive acting lineage, Suborna Mustafa has established herself as a leading lady in Bangladeshi TV plays. To date, she remains unparalleled with her superlative theatrics, expressive eyes, and that beguiling and mysterious smile -- all attributes of a charismatic actress.

Though at present Suborna does not play the typical 'heroine' roles any more, she appears on the small screen frequently in diverse roles.

The actress recently shared her childhood memories and more with The Daily Star:

I was a mischievous child; probably the naughtiest on the block. I behaved like a *pundit* in school, as if I knew everything. Once I enrolled at a recitation competition without my parents' consent. No one at home knew about this and I had no intention of sharing this information with them, though my parents were noted cultural personalities.

Somehow on the day of the performance, *baba* (renowned actor-reciter Golam Mustafa) came to know of it and was quite surprised that I had not bothered to tell him about it. However, he was over the moon when I got the first prize for my recitation of "Chharptro". Guess what? The next day our teacher came home with my trophy since I had totally forgotten to bring it with me. And that is

how my parents came to know about it, says Suborna with a grin.

My childhood days were mostly spent at my nana-nanu's (maternal grandparents') house on Elephant Road. It was a massive house, with a huge yard where we played our favourite game of *kumir kumir*, which most children were fond of.

My *nanu* (grandmother) had a kitchen garden in the backyard where she planted seasonal vegetables. She would plant *pui shak* and spinach and we would often steal the seeds and fling it at the white wall creating a deep reddish tinge all across it! You can guess how mad it made her every time we ruined her walls.

I developed a weakness for pets from a very young age. This was probably in my genes from my maternal side. I watched in awe when my father brought

home some puppies one day, and my *nanu* and *baba* fed them milk in droppers.

When I was 9/10, I remember my uncle taking care of birds. One day an irate turkey had its day as it chased me all over the place and I kept screaming till someone came to my rescue!

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Recalling my childhood, I remember the rickshaw rides we took from Elephant road to Viqarunnessa Noon School where I studied. The rickshaw fare was only five *shiki* (quarters). Difficult to forget those days.

During one such ride on my way back home, my father's friend gave me a treat of coca cola and chocobar -- the first in my life.

There was this Iqbal Store on Green Road that I frequented with my father. I craved to go there since the attendant would invariably give me gifts, maybe as bait!

Some more on my childhood -- I was terrible at maths in school. Once on a test I got 2 out of 100, and when my parents wanted to see the paper I put 9 in front of 2, making it look like 92. Little did I realise that the number had to be written with the same ink...

Childhood slips away before we even realise it's gone... How I wish I could go back to the past and enjoy my carefree days once more!

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Music and a message

Universal Human Rights Day

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

To mark Universal Human Rights Day 2010 as well as to generate awareness against the decline of moral values in society, a music festival will take place today at the Mall Chattar of Dhaka University.

Non-Government Organisation Manusher Jonno Foundation in association with UKaid and Royal Norwegian Embassy in Bangladesh will organise the programme.

Leading singers of the country as Sabina Yasmin, Fahmida Nabi, Bappa Majumder, Partho Barua, Shantanu Biswas and Krishnokoli will render songs at the programme.

The programme will also feature an award-giving ceremony to 13 individuals. The awards are a recognition of the individuals' contribution in generating awareness on human rights at the grassroots level.

Finance Minister Abul Maal Abdul Muhith will be present as

chief guest. Syed Manjur Elahi, chairman, Governing Board, Manusher Jonno Foundation will preside over the programme. Shaheen Anam, executive director, Manusher Jonno Foundation will deliver the inaugural speech.

Professor AAMS Arefin Siddique, Vice Chancellor, Dhaka University; Irene Khan, former secretary general, Amnesty International and Daniel Davis, Senior Programme Manager, HD and Governance Adviser, DFID will be present as special guests.

The guests will hand over awards to the recipients. The programme is open to all and will begin at 3pm.

John Lennon celebrated on anniversary

John Lennon fans have sung his songs, laid flowers and lit candles on the 30th anniversary of the Beatle's death.

Vigils have been held in New York, where the music legend was shot dead, and his home city of Liverpool.

His widow Yoko Ono played a concert in Tokyo, while gatherings have also taken place in cities from Prague to Havana.

The musician was 40 years old when he was killed by crazed fan Mark Chapman outside the Dakota Building in Manhattan.

In Liverpool, several hundred people with candles and glowsticks braved cold temperatures to sing Lennon songs and listen to poetry inspired by the late Beatle.

The vigil was held next to a peace monument that was unveiled by his first wife Cynthia and son Julian in October and has been dedicated to John Lennon.

A giant photograph of John with Julian watched over the crowd, alongside a banner bearing the name of one of John's signature songs, Give Peace A Chance.



Cards, candles and pictures adorned a John Lennon memorial in Central Park, New York.

In New York, hundreds of fans gathered in Central Park, near the spot where Lennon was shot.

Flowers were laid in the Strawberry Fields area, which was converted to a memorial garden after his death.

Ono performed at a charity concert in Japan called Dream Power John Lennon Super Live, which raises money for schools for deprived children all over the world.

Their son Sean, now a musician, used Twitter to respond to the tributes to his father.

"Thank you for all the kind words," he said. "Let's all just pray for peace on earth. That's what he cared about most."

Source: BBC

King Khan gets into the act

Shahrukh's live campaign for the Sunderbans



STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Today Bollywood superstar Shahrukh Khan will perform live at Army Stadium in Dhaka. This time the performance goes side by side with a campaign for the Sunderbans to become one of the Seven Wonders of the World on December 10.

He will vote for the largest mangrove forest on stage. Local private television channel Boishakhi TV will telecast the megastar's voting and stage performance. The organiser of the event is Antor Showbiz.

"Indian silver screen stars Rani Mukharjee, Arjun Rampal, Isha Kopikar, singer Niraj Sreedhar and choreographer Ganesh Hedge are to perform with

Shahrukh Khan," said Swapan Chowdhury.

"This event promises to be a milestone in the realm of entertainment in Bangladesh and we are very excited as well as delighted to be a part of this," said Manjurul Ahsan Bulbul, CEO and editor-in-chief of Boishakhi TV.

Dhakaites are eagerly waiting to see Bollywood superstar Shahrukh Khan at close quarters. The actor has been busy on many fronts over the last decade. Since 2000, Shahrukh, has branched out into film production and television presenting as well. He is the founder/owner of two production companies, Dreamz Unlimited and Red Chillies Entertainment. Khan is today considered to be the world's most successful movie star with a fan following numbering in the billions and a net worth estimated at over Rs 2500 crore (US\$ 540 million). In 2008, Newsweek named him one of the 50 most powerful people in the world.

Khan began his career appearing in several television serials in the late 1980s. He made his film debut in "Deewana" (1992). Since then, he has been part of numerous commercially successful films and has earned critical acclaim for many of his performances. Khan has won 13 Filmfare Awards for his work in Indian films, seven of which are in the Best Actor category, thus establishing himself as one of the leading actors of Hindi Cinema. In 2005, the Government of India honoured him with the Padma Shri for his contributions towards Indian Cinema.



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