

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

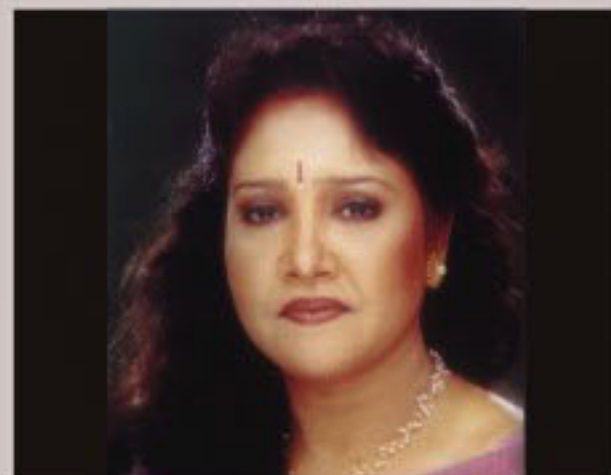
Theatre

Play: Shesh Sanglaap
Troupe: Shomoy Natyadal
Venue: Experimental Theatre Hall, Shilpakala Academy
Date: December 23
Time: 7pm



Solo Musical Soiree

Artiste: Yasmin Mushtari
Venue: Indira Gandhi Cultural Centre, H-35, Rd-24, Gulshan-1
Date: December 25
Time: 6:30pm



17th Convention of Udichi

Organiser: Udichi Shilpi Gosthi
Venue: Shawkat Osman Auditorium, Central Public Library, Shahbagh
Date: December 24-25
Time: 10am onwards



Photography Exhibition

Title: Immersed in Water
Photographer: Masuma Pia
Venue: Drik Gallery, H-58, R-15/A, Dhanmondi
Date: December 17-24
Time: 3pm-8pm



Photography exhibition on child trafficking



Visitors at the exhibition.

AHMED HUMAYUN KABIR TOPU, *Pabna*

A five-day photography exhibition to generate awareness against child trafficking kicked off in Pabna. The exhibition opened at the Pabna Town Hall premises last Sunday. Ajker Projonmo Forum, a young photographers' organisation was the driving force behind the exhibition. Additional Deputy Commissioner, Pabna, Mohammad Sajedur Rahman inaugurated the event.

A workshop, titled 'The Use of Photography and Possibility', was part of the opening programme. Speakers at the workshop stressed the need to generate creativity and professionalism in photography.

Mohammad Bashir Ahmed Sujon, a prominent photographer of MAP Photo agency trained the young photographers on various aspects of the medium. Among others, Mohammad Khaled Hossain Parag, team leader of Ajker Projonmo Forum and

Mohammad Abdul Mannan, secretary of the forum, spoke on the occasion.

Photography is an art, said the speakers. The aesthetic aspect of photography must be nurtured. A professional photographer takes a snap that touches various facets of a subject and a perfect photograph presents the inner meaning of the subject without words, added the speakers.

Forty-five photographs are on display at the exhibition. All the photographs reveal the horrific dimensions of child trafficking and how children are trafficked around the world.

"The photographs feature the inhuman torture of the children. Exhibited photos evoke the need for immediate intervention," Khaled Hossain Parag, the organiser of the Ajker Projonmo Forum, told The Daily Star.

A US-based freelance photographer Shehzad took the photographs on child trafficking in different parts of Bangladesh.

One with Nature

Lovely's solo photo exhibition at Zainul Gallery



Shape of Dream-1

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A seven-day exhibition, titled 'Nature', featuring photographs by Shamsunnahar Lovely is now being held at Zainul Gallery, Faculty of Fine Arts, University of Dhaka. The exhibition was inaugurated by noted educationist Syed Anwar Hossain on December 17.

About 30 colour photographs are on display at the exhibition. Lovely's images display her intense fascination with nature, particularly with

trees, foliage, flowers, bushes etc. Close shots of tree trunks, twigs, seeds and wild flowers denote the photo-artist's creativity and attachment with nature. Cloudy and clear sky, fog, crimson sun and other panoramic views are also in focus in a number of her images. Most of the trees and flora in her images are unfamiliar.

The photographs titled "Innocence" show the setting and emerging sun in the background with flowers at the centre. Ray of light is a noticeable feature in the photograph. Lovely often zooms in on a



Shape of Dream-2

particular part of a plant. A group of her works is untitled, which highlight wild, exotic flowers and trees.

The photo titled "Peace" has captured a branch of green leaves, and "Peace-2" has framed wild flowers.

"Life-1" and "Life-2" highlight different forms of life with a contrasting use of light and shade. The exhibition's theme seems to cover a diverse area of interest but the focal point is the natural beauty of Bangladesh.

"When I was in Class nine, I started taking interest in photogra-

phy. Photography is my hobby. It's intimately related to who I am. When I'm close to nature, I feel an urge to somehow preserve its splendour and fragrances. Its silence provokes me.

"With these photos, I've tried to explore the forms and tinges of nature in the presence of light and shadow," Lovely said.

The photographer said that she had travelled to distant hilly areas of the country to shoot rare wild flowers and trees.

The exhibition continues till December 23.

"Poush Phaguner Pala" turns 50

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

TV serial "Poush Phaguner Pala," went on air on ATN Bangla from June 15, 2010. To mark the milestone of the 50th episode of the serial, a press conference was held yesterday at ATN Bangla office.

Chief adviser of ATN Bangla, Saiful Bari was the chief guest. Nawajesh Ali Khan, adviser (Programme) and Shamsul Huda, adviser (Sales and Marketing) of ATN Bangla, along with seasoned actors Syed Hasan Imam, Masud Ali Khan, Ferdousi Majumdar and Keya Chowdhury spoke on the occasion.

Emceed by Afsana Mimi, direc-

tor of the serial, a number of artists and technicians of the production were also present at the press conference.

"Classics are the father of modernity. We can certainly move forward, looking back to our opulent past. Mimi, with her sincere effort, has tried to capture a certain era in the serial 'Poush Phaguner Pala'," said Syed Hasan Imam.

"We had a golden era of TV plays when the then Chief Minister of West Bengal Jyoti Basu often advised people involved in theatre to watch the plays aired on BTV. It is our failure if we cannot propel our next generations. We have to let go of our mental entanglement. My

advice to Mimi is that she should never quit acting," said Saiful Bari.

The serial is an adaptation of Gajendra Kumar Mitra's novel trilogy -- "Kolkata-r Kachhei," "Upokanthey" and "Poush Phaguner Pala." Depicting the socio-cultural aspects of Dhaka in the 1960s and '70s and its adjacent areas, the serial is directed by actress-director Afsana Mimi.

The serial centres on a widow Rashmoni, and her struggle to survive and provide for a better life for her offspring.

Following a press conference, the 50th episode of the serial was screened. The episode features the death of Rashmoni, played by Ferdousi Majumdar.

Today the 51st episode of the serial will be aired. Afsana Mimi, Azad Abul Kalam, Tarin, Bonya Mirza, Wahida Mallik Joly and others will be seen in the upcoming episodes.

Eraj Ahmed and Mansur Rahman Chanchal have jointly dramatised the serial. Shooting of the first 50 episodes has been completed at Dhamrai. Krishnachura Productions Limited is producing the serial.

The serial is being aired on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 9:20 pm.



Ferdousi Majumdar speaks at the conference.

Iranian filmmaker Jafar Panahi jailed for six years

Noted Iranian filmmaker Jafar Panahi has been sentenced for six years in jail and barred from directing and producing movies for the next 20-years, according to his lawyer.

Panahi, known for his internationally acclaimed movies like "The Circle", "White Balloon" and "The Mirror" on humanitarian struggles in the country, has been outspoken in his support of Iran's opposition movement, earning the wrath of the government.

The filmmaker was convicted of colluding in gathering and making propaganda against the regime, lawyer Farideh Gheyrat told the Iranian state news agency, ISNA, the Guardian reported.

"He is therefore sentenced to six years in prison and also he is banned for 20 years from making any films, writing any

scripts, travelling abroad and also giving any interviews to the media including foreign and domestic news organisations," she said. Gheyrat said she would appeal against the conviction.

The 49-year-old filmmaker is one of the most respected names in international cinema. He started his career by making several films for television and later went on to work with cinema legend Abbas Kiarostami in "Through the Olive Trees".

Panahi won the Camera d'Or at the Cannes film festival in 1995 for his debut feature "The White Balloon", and the Golden Lion at Venice for his 2000 drama "The Circle". His other films include "Crimson Gold" and "Offside".

Because of his outspoken nature most of Panahi's films are banned at home despite earning high acclaim world-

wide. The director was arrested in July 2009 for taking part in the mourning for protesters killed after the disputed presidential election. He was soon released but denied permission to leave the country.

In February 2010, he was again arrested with his family and colleagues. Prominent Hollywood figures like Martin Scorsese, Steven Spielberg, Francis Ford Coppola and Juliette Binoche condemned his arrest. The jury members left a chair empty to represent Panahi, who was barred from attending the Cannes film festival.

In an interview in September, Panahi had said: "When a filmmaker does not make films it is as if he is jailed. Even when he is freed from the small jail, he finds himself wandering in a larger jail."

Source: Internet



Jafar Panahi poses with his Silver Berlin Bear for his film "Offside" at the 56th Berlinale International Film Festival in 2006.



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

ATN Bangla	
12:15	IT Zone
01:25	Band View
03:15	Nupurer Chhondhey
06:15	Take Care
08:00	Rexona Destination Unlimited
10:45	Documentary Programme: Bihongo Katha
12:30	Grameenphone Lead News
ntv	
02:30	Drama Serial: Romizer Aayna
04:10	Janar Achhey Bolar Achhey
05:30	Apnar Jiggasha

06:10	Shubhoshondhya
06:45	Rupali Pordar Galpo
09:00	Kichhu Katha Kichhu Gaan
Rtv	
10:45	Bashudha Tarokalap
02:30	Bangla Feature Film Shustha Thakun Protidin
05:30	Crime Focus
Desh TV	
04:30	Dur-er Janala
05:30	Durpath
07:45	Ekoi Brintey
09:45	Cookery Show
12:30	Total Sports

Banglavisio

11:05	Shudhui Gaan
12:05	Drama Serial: Fifty-Fifty
03:30	Cinebit Rongin
09:05	Shoundarjo Katha
11:30	Walton Amar Ponyo Amar Desh

Boishakhi TV

07:30	Bhor Holo Bibhabori
03:20	Totka
05:15	Boishakhi-CNN Shara Biswa
05:30	Shudhu Cinemar Gaan
06:20	Dhoritri
11:30	Boishakhi Shangskritik Sangbaad

ATN NEWS

11:30	Sports Insight
02:15	Amader Katha
05:15	Pramanno Shomoy
07:30	Saat Rang (Live)
08:30	Visual Diary

Diganta TV

12:30	Score Cards
05:30	Lime Light

06:05	Shorol Poth
08:05	I Tech
11:05	Dig Diganta
11:30	Shur Shurobhi

HBO

09:30	Home for the Holidays
11:30	Quarantine
01:00	Frost Giant
02:30	Battlestar Galactica: The Plan
05:30	Head Over Heels
09:00	Four Christmases
10:30	All I Want For Christmas
12:00	Fierce Creatures

Z Studio

10:15	The Wrestler
12:30	Guthy Renker
01:00	Becoming Jane
03:35	Jackie Brown
06:50	The Truman Show
09:00	Chicago
11:50	The Ring

Star Movies

10:15	The Touch
12:25	Behind Enemy Lines

02:35	Ratatouille
04:50	Kill Switch
06:45	City Slickers
09:00	Confessions Of A Shopaholic
11:10	Casino Royale

Star World

11:00	Two And A Half Men
11:30	Koffee With Karan-S3
12:30	Burn Notice
01:30	The Bold And The Beautiful
02:00	Two And A Half Men
02:30	Masterchef Australia
03:30	How I Met Your Mother
04:00	Friends
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National Geographic

11:30	Big Cats Week
03:30	Megastructures
05:30	Nat Geo Amazing!
08:30	Animal Impact
09:30	Mega Factories
10:30	Great Migrations
11:30	True Stories

Discovery Channel

08:30	Searching for the Coast Wolves
06:30	Nature's Deadliest
07:30	Atlas 4D
08:30	How Stuff Works
09:30	Whale Wars
10:30	Extreme Engineering
11:30	Extreme Peril

BBC World

12:30	World Business Report
07:30	Impact Asia with Mishal Husain
08:30	BBC World News
09:30	HARDtalk
10:30	The Hub with Nik Gowing
11:45	Sport Today

News Bulletin

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 (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-1 News (Bangla): 7:00 am,

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



Sabuj Nokkhotro On ntv at 09:45pm Drama Serial Cast: Humayun Faridee, Tisha



All I Want For Christmas On HBO at 10:30pm Genre: Comedy Cast: Leslie Nielsen, Jamey Sheridan, Ethan Randall



Dhaka To London On Rtv at 07:45pm Drama Serial Cast: Masud Ali Khan, Tanzika



07:30	Hello Dhaka
10:00	Morning Express
12:00	No Tension
04:00	Dhaka Calling
09:00	Knight Riders
06:00	Bhorer Janalay
09:00	Mukhorito Jiboney
12:00	Darun Dupurey
03:00	Duranto Bikeley
05:00	Shondha Tara
07:00	Shaj-er Maya
09:00	Raat-er Akashey
11:00	Galper Shesh Nei
07:15	Good Morning Dhaka
11:00	Masti Unlimited
01:00	Today's Adda
04:00	U-turn
08:00	Tobe Tai Hok
11:00	Raat Vor Gan
02:00	Back to Back