

WHAT'S ON

Aerial Photography
Photographer: Yann Arthus-Bertrand
Venue: National Parliament
Date: Dec 19-Feb 19

Sadat Ali Akhond Shahitya Puroshkar '10
Recipient: Mahadev Saha
Venue: Bangla Academy
Date: Jan 11, Time: 3:30pm

Rabindra-Dance Festival
To celebrate 150th anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore
Venue: Chhayanaut Sangskriti Bhaban
Date: January 21-22

Art Exhibition
Reprint of Rabindra Artworks
Organiser: Chhayanaut
Venue: Chhayanaut Sangskriti Bhaban, Dhanmondi
Date: January 21-28

Theatre
Play: Play With a Tiger
Troupe: Dept. of Theatre, DU
Venue: Natmandal, DU
Date: January 6-12
Time: 6:30pm (everyday)

Seilm Al Deen Festival
Organiser: Dhaka Theatre, JU and Shilpakala Academy
Venue: Shilpakala Academy and JU
Date: January 14-16

Group Art Exhibition
Venue: Dhaka Art Centre
Date: January 1-15
Time: 11am-6pm

Musical Soiree
Artist: Aditi Mohsin
Venue: IGC, H-35, R-24, Gulshan-1
Date: January 14
Time: 6:30pm

Theatre
Play: Mahajener Nao
Troupe: Shubachan
Venue: Sylhet Auditorium, Sylhet
Date: January 14

Solo Sarod and Tabla recital
Artists: Arif Khan & Soumik Dutta
Venue: Bengal Shilpala, Dhanmondi

THE DAILY STAR AT THE EDGE OF TWENTY



Cultural Extravaganza

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On January 28, 2011, a Folk Festival will be held under the 'Bokul' tree at Charukala (Faculty of Fine Arts, Dhaka University). The event, kicking off with a pulsating Bangla Dhak performance by Nazrul and his troupe, will feature solo and group performances by renowned folk artists from all corners of the country. The festival will begin at 4pm and wrap up around 9pm. No cards/passes needed for admission.

National Theatre Hall, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy. Passes will be available at the venue, on the day of the show, starting from 3pm. The programme will begin at 6:30pm and continue till 9pm.



On February 11, 2011 golden oldies aficionados are in for a treat. Popular artists of the country will render songs on request from the audience at Manipuri, Odissi and Bharatanatyam pieces at the event. Cards will be available at the venue, on the day of the show, starting from 3pm. The programme will begin at 6:30pm and continue till 9pm.



TOWHIDUL ISLAM KHAN
The year 2010 was not a remarkable one for Bangladeshi bands in terms of quantity, new albums from popular bands were few and far between, leaving rock enthusiasts hungry for more. However many young bands stood up to the challenge, giving music enthusiasts a glimpse of what the future has to offer.

Rabindra Sangeet was welcomed by rock fans. Shunno also saw major success in 2010 with their latest release 'Shoto Asha'. Several tracks from the album became radio hits overnight and helped the band reach the mainstream. In recognition of their talents, they were also awarded as the best band at the 6th Citycell-Channel i Music Awards 2010.

The band De-Illumination made a breakthrough with their debut album 'Onibarjo', introducing 'symphonic metal' for the first time in Bangladesh. Their recipe seemed to have the right concoction, as their album also gained

making tracks from the album favourites on a playlist. The cry for a proper concert venue was lessened, as the Army Stadium hosted a couple of grand rock concerts, organised in association with BAMB. Popular bands came together, to generate awareness in causes like voting for the Sundarbans to get it on the list of 'Natural Wonders' and putting an end to sexual harassment.



Power Surge performs at 'Concert for Sundarbans'.

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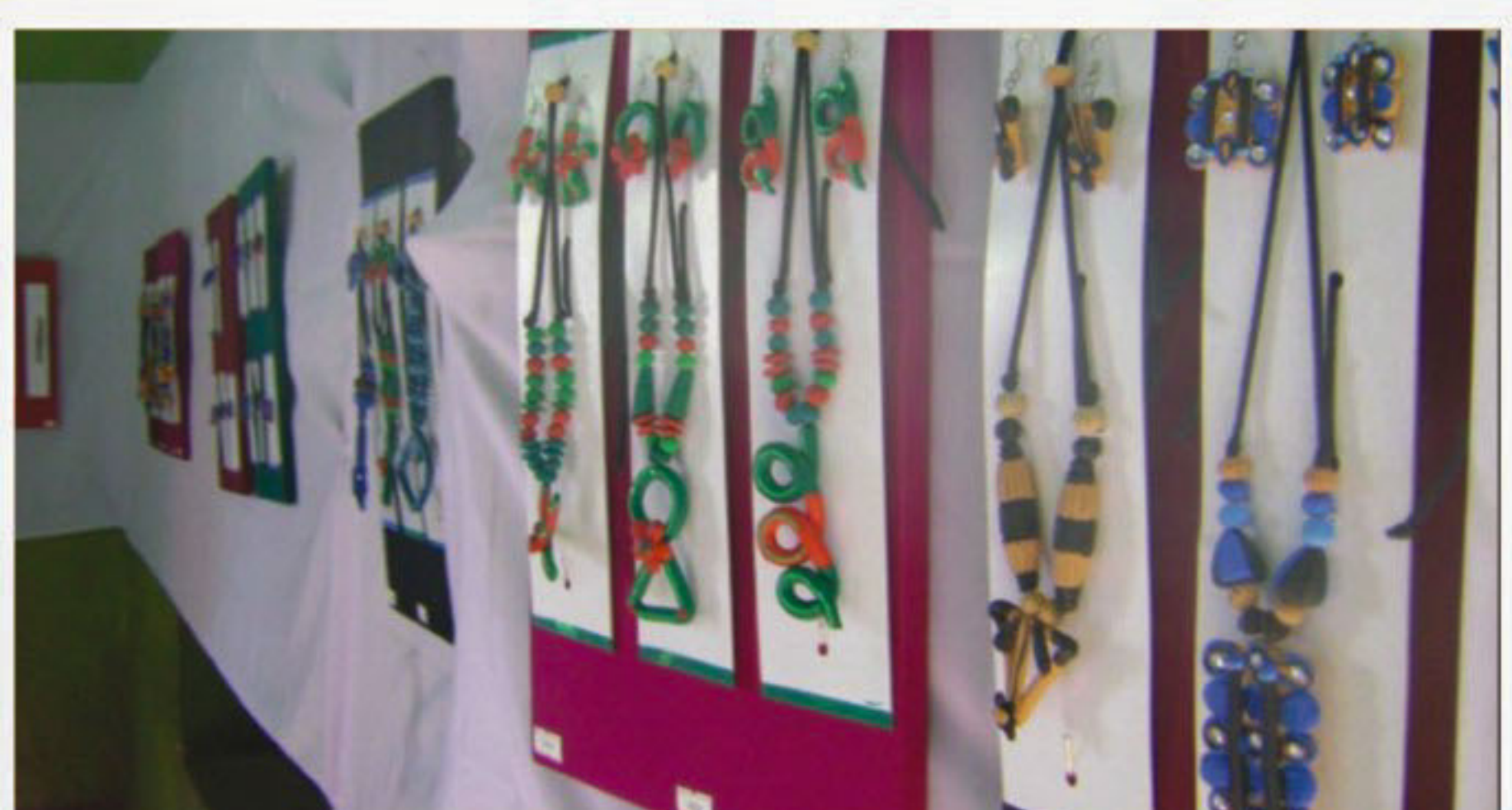
Newcomers Crematic X released their album 'Ronangoner Dak-ticket', with its title track picking up much airtime on the radio. 'Rock 404' and 'Rock 505' mixed albums also came out in 2010 featuring 30 seasoned and new bands. Much hype surrounded the huge project and the dual album coordinated by Iqbal Asif Jewel lived up to expectation as well as handling up and coming bands the platform they deserved.

'Ashor' was another mixed album which deserves mention. Fourteen bands, including LRB, gave their best, making tracks from the album favourites on a playlist. The Army Stadium hosted a couple of grand rock concerts, organised in association with BAMB. Popular bands came together, to generate awareness in causes like voting for the Sundarbans to get it on the list of 'Natural Wonders' and putting an end to sexual harassment.

Return to Roots

Terracotta ornaments and handicrafts exhibition

AHMED HUMAYUN KABIR TOPU, Pabna
The speakers said in this age of materialism we often tend to devalue the earthen crafts. On display at the exhibition are earthen rings, necklaces, bracelets, showpieces and more. "In most of the terracotta ornaments and handicrafts, I have tried to introduce designs from our environment and nature," said Hassan. Hassan established Banglar Terracotta, an earthen handicrafts unit, at Genda of Savar in Dhaka six years ago with 35 workers. Hassan said that such exhibitions would be held in 20 locations across the country to generate awareness about terracotta works. "Terracotta ornaments and showpieces perpetuate the traditions of craftsmanship. Terracotta ornaments are in danger of losing their appeal. We want to introduce people to the artistic beauty of terracotta work and recall our early heritage," said Hassan.



Suman's Rustic Landscape Wins Big



The jury, distinguished guests and participating artists seen at the prize giving ceremony.

STAFF CORRESPONDENT
The Syed Shamsul Huda Painting Award 2011 giving ceremony and painting exhibition were held on January 8 and 9 at Gulshan Club in the city. Suman Kumar Sarkar won the top spot at the exhibition. A student of Drawing and Painting Department, Rajshahi University, his landscape focuses on the magnificence of autumn. In his work, the surrounding vista is flamboyant with green, yellow and purple. Bitopi Das Chowdhury, Head of Corporate Affairs, Standard Chartered Bank, handed over a cheque for Tk one lakh and twenty five thousand and a crest to the winner. The exhibition displayed 44 artworks by 37 artists. The participating painters are students of different univer-

sities and art institutions of Bangladesh. A noticeable element at the exhibition was the participation of painters who emerged in mid '90s and the current decade. Participants had worked in different mediums with distinct styles. Most of the paintings were themed on nature, panoramic beauty, ethnic life, countryside, the masses and everyday chores. The styles were realistic, and some study-oriented. Veteran painters Rafiqun Nabi and Abul Barq Alvi were the members of the jury board. Syed Javed Masud, president of Shamsul Huda Painting Exhibition and Kamol Khalid, coordinator, among others, spoke on the occasion. The Syed Shamsul Huda Painting Award was first introduced in 2009 to encourage young painters of Bangladesh.

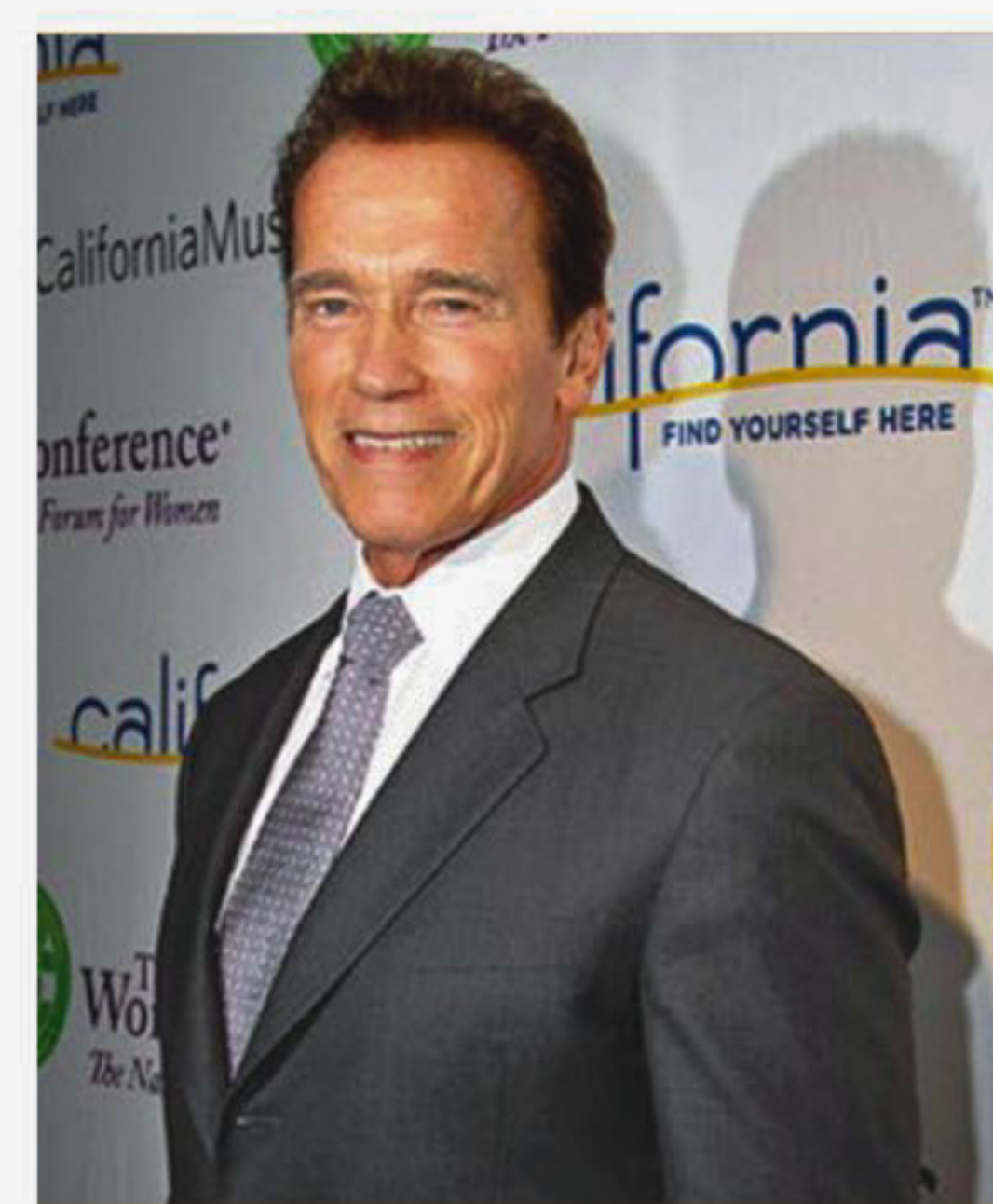
Nawab Syed Shamsul Huda was a member of the Bengal Legislative Council, an accomplished lawyer and a respected politician. He was born in a zamindar (landowner) family of Gokarna, Brahmanbaria district, in 1862. He devoted himself to educating disadvantaged Muslims in Bengal. Huda died in 1922. Syed Javed Maswood, a relative of Huda, organised the exhibition. Javed Maswood said, "The Shamsul Huda Painting Award is conferred every year to an artist (for best landscape). The competition is judged by a panel of seasoned artists. We, the family of Shamsul Huda, want to encourage and support the community of artists in Bangladesh. I sincerely hope that this prize will motivate emerging artists to develop their individual styles and realise their unique interpretation of Bangladesh's diverse landscape."

Masum Arefin, one of the participants, is a promising painter. He had used bright colours that created a synchronisation in his works. His works, on display at the exhibition, presents mustard fields, tranquil rivers, boatmen, emerald-green fields, harvesting of jute, paddy, and of course, rainfall. Kamrun Nahar Asha's 'Amar Bari' shows a hut amidst a serene environment. Green, pale beige, bright yellow and peaceful azure made this piece interesting. Shanoor Mamun's watercolour reveals a mysterious dawn with various phases of nature. The artwork mainly features a stratum of colours and its fascinating aspects.

Schwarzenegger May Return to Acting

Arnold Schwarzenegger, who has now completed a seven-year term as the Governor of California, has hinted that he may return to acting. "The Terminator" actor hinted that he has a list of things he "can do" but has not committed to anything completely. "The list is a long list of things I can do, but nothing I can concentrate on until I am literally, totally out of office," Contactmusic.com quoted Schwarzenegger as telling Variety. "For me the joy of life is not to know, and you get into it and you kind of figure it out. I love that. I don't like safety nets. I am not a believer in that," he added. After leaving his acting career for politics, the 63-year-old played cameo in two movies, "The Expendables" and "Around the World in 80 Days".

Source: Rediff.com



Recitation Workshop

Learning the ropes

AZIBOR RAHMAN, Jhenaidah
A five-day recitation workshop ended recently at Moheshpur Pura Public Library in Jhenaidah. The workshop was arranged by Banalata recitation Charsha Kendra in Moheshpur. Syed Shafiq Akram, Khan Rakibul Haq Dipu, Shamsujjaha, Mahmuda Aktar were the trainers at the workshop. On the concluding day ATM Khairul Anam headmaster of Moheshpur Secondary School was present as chief guest. Upazila Family Planning

Officer poet Dipok Shaha, lecturer Abu Jahid of Katghara College, poet Shyam Sundar Kundo general secretary of Jagarani Shahitya Parishad and Mandarata Government Primary School headmaster Abdur Rashid were present as special guests, while the chairperson was Assistant Professor and poet Parveen Shahsi of Moheshpur Government College. Thirty participants took part in the workshop, directed by chief director Shahidul Islam of Banalata Recitation Charsha Kendra in Moheshpur upazila.

Robert De Niro to Head Cannes Film Festival Jury

Robert De Niro will head the jury at this year's Cannes Film Festival, organisers have announced. The "Taxi Driver" star, 67, said he was honoured to preside over "one of the oldest and one of the best" festivals in the world. As president of the nine-member jury, De Niro -- co-founder of the Tribeca Film Festival -- will help decide the winner of this year's Palme d'Or award. This year's festival will run from May 11 to 22. As founder of both New York's Tribeca and Qatar's Doha Tribeca film festivals, De Niro said he had "an increased appreciation for the jury who serve, undertaking an important role in choosing films that are represented in the world of film at its highest level."



"These types of festivals help connect the international film community and have a lasting cultural impact," he added. De Niro, who won the best supporting actor Oscar in 1975 for "The Godfather: Part II" as well as best actor for "Raging Bull" in 1981, has been to Cannes eight times to promote his films. In 1976, "Taxi Driver" won the Palme d'Or as did "The Mission", directed by Roland Joffe, 10 years later. De Niro's latest film, "Meet the Parents" sequel "Little Fockers" -- released on December 22 -- topped both the North American and the UK and Ireland box offices.

Source: Internet

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Poush Phaguner Pala
On ATN BANGLA at 09:20pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Ferdousi Majumdar, Afroza Banu

BURNING
Mississippi Burning
On Star Movies at 10:20pm
Genre: Crime/Drama
Cast: Gene Hackman, Willem Dafoe

Angshik Shada Kalo
On Rtv at 06:00pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Bidya Sinha Min, Amrul Haque

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		07:30	Koffee With Karan
		10:30	Bam Netice
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		11:30	A Haunting
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		02:15	Sport Today

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09:20pm	06:00pm	Angshik Shada Kalo
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NEWS BULLETIN	
RTV	News (Bangla): 8:00 am, 2:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 8:00 pm, 10:30pm.
	News (English): at 10:00am, 4:00 pm, 10:50 pm.
	News (English): at 10:00am, 12:00pm, 4:00pm, 11:30 pm. (To be telecast on all Bangla channels).
CHANNEL-i	News (Bangla): 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 2:00 pm, 9:00 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:30 am
ATN BANGLA	NEWS (Bangla): 7:00 am, 10:00 pm, 11:00 pm, 1:00 am, 4:00 am, 01:00pm, 3:00pm, 04:00pm
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