

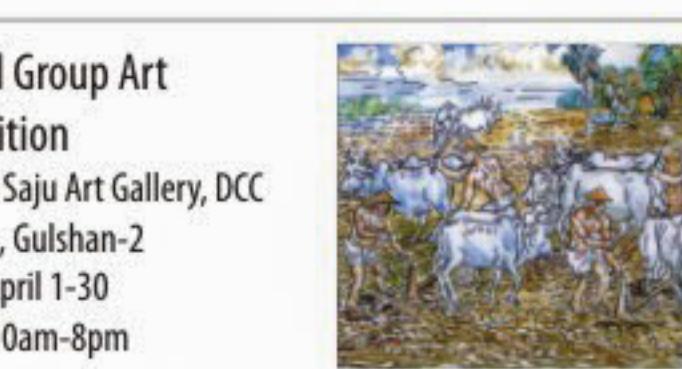
WHAT'S ON



Group Art Exhibition
Title: Standard Chartered
Sreeponi 2010
Venue: Dhaka Art Centre,
H-60, R-7/A, Dhanmondi
Date: April 1-10



Solo Art Exhibition
Title: Symphony of Colours
Artist: Syed Abdullah Khalid
Venue: Galleri Kaya, H-20, R-
16, S-4, Uttara
Date: April 12-29



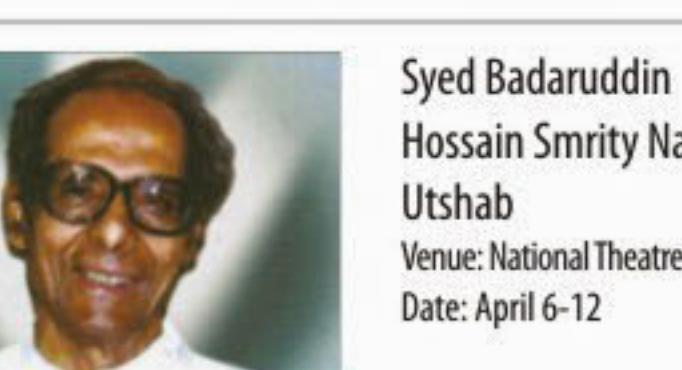
Grand Group Art
exhibition
Venue: Sajti Art Gallery, DCC
Market, Gulshan-2
Date: April 1-30
Time: 10am-8pm



Book Fair
Organiser: Adorn Publication
Venue: Public Library, Seminary
Hall, Shahbagh
Date: April 2-13
Time: 10am-8pm



Documentary Screening
Title: Bangladesh-e
Rabindranath
Organiser: Surlok
Venue: Bangladesh National
Museum Auditorium



Syed Badaruddin
Hossain Smriti Utshab
Venue: National Theatre, BSA
Date: April 6-12



Solo Musical Soiree
Artist: Roquaya Hasina Neely
Venue: ICCC, H-35, Rd-24,
Gulshan-1
Date: April 8
Time: 6:30pm

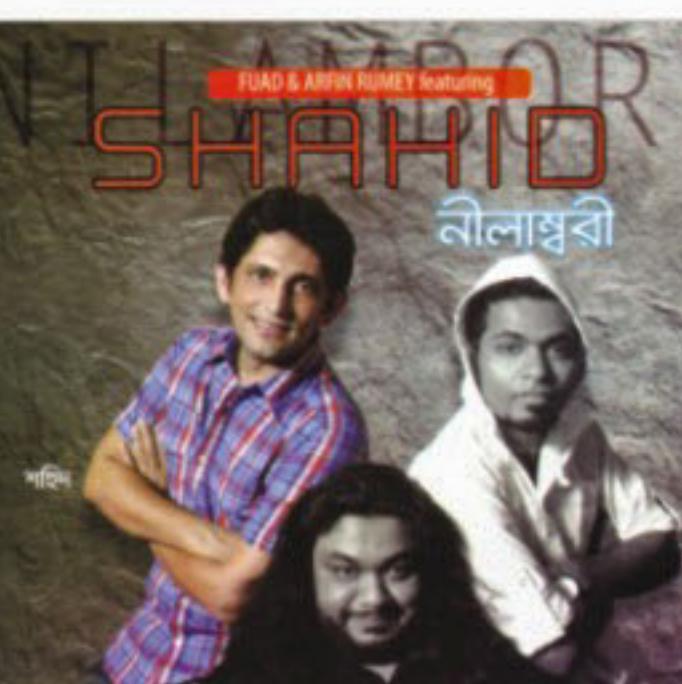


BALGO
Contemporary
Australian Art Exhibition
Title: BALGO
Venue: Gallery Cosmos, 69/1, New
Circular Road, Mollbagh
Date: April 1-13

NEW RELEASES



Guerrilla
Soundtrack
of the film
Guerrilla
Source:



Nilamori
Fuad and
Arfin
Rumay
featuring
Shahid
Source:



Jajabor
Solo album
by Pulak
Source:
Laser
Vision



Mone
Basanta
Eley
Solo album
by John
Sumit
Source:
Laser
Vision



Padatik's Theatre Fest Begins

Ferdousi Majumdar and M. Hamid receive
Badruddin Hossain Memorial Award

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The weeklong theatre festival by Padatik Natya Sangsads (TSC) began at Bangladesh Shilpkala Academy (BSA) on April 6. Titled 'Syed Badruddin Hossain Smriti Natyashab O Smarob Shammanona 2011', the festival marks the 88th birth anniversary of the troupe's founding president, Syed Badruddin Hossain.

But the beast breaks free and runs away.

Shimul Yousuf played the role of Bibek (conscience). Esha Yousuf played Sohrab the buffalo. Shahiduzzaman Selim, Chandan Chowdhury, Rosy Siddiqui, Jayasree Bandopadhyaya and Asaduzzaman Aman played other major roles.

Nasirul Haque Khokon was the light designer of the production. Music and set design were done by Shimul Yousuf.

Padatik's "Janomanko" was written by Nasrin Mustafa and has been directed by Mir Mehbul Alam Nahid. The cast includes Kamrul Hasan, Genia Azad, Ekramul Islam, Walid Khan and Aklima Aktar.

Faiz Zahir did the light designing, while Ali Ahmed Mukul did the set and costume design for the play.

Today, Subbachan will stage "Mahajone Nao" at the Experimental Theatre Hall and Theatre Workshop (from Kolkata) will stage two plays -- "Buro Shaliker Ghare Ro" and "Boshikaron" -- at the National Theatre Hall.

Padatik, presided over the ceremony.

Dhaka Theatre's "Dhoboman" was written by Selim Al Deen and has been directed by Shimul Yousuf. The protagonist of the play is a



Ferdousi Majumdar receives her crest; M Hamid (left) seen next to her (above). A scene from "Janomanko".

PHOTO: MUMIT M.

Creating Good Citizens Children's theatre festival in Barisal

SUSHANTA GHOSH, Barisal

The three-day children's theatre festival, titled 'Barisal Bibhag Shishu Utshab 2011' (Barisal divisional children's theatre festival) ended at Barisal Aswani Kumar Hall last Wednesday evening with a call for ensuring wholesome entertainment to enable children to be good citizens.

The festival was arranged jointly by Bangladesh Shilpkala Academy and People's Theatre Association.

Children's theatre teams and cultural organisations -- People's Theatre of Dhaka, Barisal Shishu Theatre, Prantik Sangeet Bidyaloy, Kheleghar of Barisal city, Natun Mukh of Barisal, Sundarmon Children Theatre of Patuakhali and Barguna Little Theatre -- staged their performances at the festival.

Liakat Ali Lucky, secretary general People's Theatre Association, inaugurated the festival by leading a rally on city roads on Monday evening.

Window to the Soul Photo exhibition on meditation

SUST CORRESPONDENT

With the theme, 'Atmar Shondhaney Shahosro Duburi' (thousands of divers in search of the soul), a photo exhibition on meditation began last Monday at Arjuntala on Shahjalal University of Science & Technology (SUST) campus in Sylhet.

SUST Vice Chancellor Dr. Saleh Uddin inaugurated the exhibition. Quantum SUST cell has arranged this exhibition, featuring 100 images. Professor AKM Mahbubuzzaman, Professor Anwarul Islam, Md. Faruq Uddin and Md. Fakhrul Alam were present, among others, at the opening of the exhibition.

Rhythm and Melody Dance and song competition

A CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

The four-day exhibition runs from 10am to 5pm, without a break and will end today, asserted Kamrul Hasan, convenor of the SUST Quantum cell.

The exhibition has drawn hundreds of students and teachers over the last few days and the campus wears a festive look.

Life is becoming increasingly hectic and we need ways to deal with the stress presented by everyday difficulties, speakers were of the view at the opening. Meditation can be an effective way to handle stress, they added.

A student of Sociology, Tazmum Nahar Liza said, "Meditation helps us react calmly to whatever the circumstances and I really appreciate the exhibition for this reason."

A dance and song competition titled 'Dipshikha' was held on April 4 at Shilpkala Academy Auditorium in Panchagarh.

Deputy Commissioner of Panchagarh Banamali Bhoumick inaugurated the competition as chief guest.

The inaugural session followed a discussion with regional manager of BRAC, Mostafizur Rahaman, in the chair.

Among others, District Education Officer SM Moslemuddin; representative of BRAC, Suresh Chandra Roy and officer of Panchagarh BRAC Education Programme, Chimoy Kumar Dev Sharma, addressed the gathering.

Unprivileged children are being educated under the BRAC Education Programme, officials said at the discussion.

The competition was organised under the programme where 64 students of different BRAC schools in Panchagarh district participated in different groups.

THREE STOOGES Remake Update

When Peter and Bobby Farrelly first explored the idea of a "Three Stooges" movie, they courted Sean Penn, Jim Carrey, and Benicio Del Toro to play Larry, Curly, and Moe. Now, the long-delayed project -- which was pushed back in light of MGM's monetary problems -- has an entirely different cast: Will Sasso ("Madtv") as Curly, and, as announced a couple of day ago, Sean Hayes ("Will & Grace") as Larry. It's a tad surprising that the Farrellys would cast TV stars in a film that was intended to be an A-list affair.

The role of Moe is still up for grabs, while rumours swirl that "Modern Family" leading lady Sofia Vergara will have a part in the film. An offer has not been presented as yet, but it is almost certain she will play a devious woman who tricks the Stooges.

Source: Internet

Call to Preserve the Ancestral Home of a Legend Pabna celebrates Suchitra Sen's 80th birthday



AHMED HUMAYUN KABIR TOPU, Pabna

town is still occupied by Imam Gazzali Institute, despite the popular resentment. People of the district want the historic site to be freed from unjustified occupation and restored.

Sen, whose original name was Rama Dasgupta, started her academic career at Mahakali Pathshala in Pabna town. Later she studied at Pabna Girls School (now Pabna Govt. Girls High School).

According to the elderly of the district, Sen's father Karunamoy Dasgupta left Pabna with his whole family just before the Partition (in 1947).

"Suchitra Sen is the pride of Pabna. Her ancestral home certainly qualifies as a historical establishment. It is very unfortunate that her ancestral residence has been occupied," Md. Saidul Haque Chunnu, convener of Suchitra Sen Memory Preservation Committee, Pabna said. The occupiers, in shield of law, are continuing the occupation due to the lack of administrative action, Chunnu said.

When asked, the additional deputy commissioner of Pabna town observed the screen diva's birth anniversary with much gusto. "The cultural activists of Pabna demand an archive at Suchitra Sen's ancestral house. But the house is still occupied," Mostafizur Rahaman Russell, secretary of Pabna Drama circle, said.

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BOISHAKHI BOUNTY

Tarin to Release her First Music Album



SHAH ALAM SHAZU

Tarin's acting career, spanning 25 years, has made her a household name among TV viewers across the country. Her fans are in for a surprise this Pahela Boishakh: the accomplished actor is going to make her debut as a singer with her first solo album, "Akash Debo Kakey".

"If my brother-in-law didn't egg me on constantly, asking me to work on and release the album, I probably wouldn't have managed to pull it off," Tarin said about her debut album. "Although I had been very much into music and dance since childhood, I hadn't contemplated cutting an album. For one thing, managing a hectic acting schedule was enough for me. Music and dance practice were far out of my schedule."

The actor-singer reminisced: "I was very young when I saw my sisters taking music lessons. My mother used to sing as well. An used to come and train my sisters. I'd sit and watch them intently. And that is how my interest in music grew."

"I took classical music lessons from Ustad Hasan Ekramullah for nearly four years. After that I became extremely busy with acting and couldn't devote my undivided attention to music lessons," she said.

However, Tarin didn't detach herself from music. She had sung several times at Eid-special entertainment shows on TV. Talking about her first song on TV, she said, "The song (recorded in 2004) was written and composed by Kabir Bakul and Shawkat Ali Emon, respectively. I also sang a song written by Arun Chowdhury and composed by Bappa Majumdar, as well as a duet with Balam on ntv, two years back."

The songs have been composed by Bappa Majumdar, Ibrar Tipu, Rupankar and Joy Sarkar.

How did she feel when she listened to her own songs? Tarin: "There's no such thing as complete satisfaction. I did wish I could go through the recording session again."

Photo Courtesy: TURIN HOSSAIN

Muktarul Haque and District Primary Education Officer Syeda Mahfuza Begum delivered speeches as special guests.

Coordinator of the mela, Kazi Mahbub, delivered the welcome address.

The organisers said that they had arranged the event to help facilitate children's physical, mental, social and moral development. Activities like these also enable the young ones to be patriotic citizens.

The thinking of the organisers for the innovative idea, Dr. Afsarul Amin said in his speech that we have to help the next generation face complex situations. Amin also said that his ministry would take the initiative to hold such events in all district and upazila headquarters.

A total of 300 students of different government and registered primary schools of Tetulia upazila are taking part in the Shishu Utshab and Mela - in 27 events, including sports, educational and cultural activities.

At a vibrant cultural programme, students rendered patriotic, modern and folk songs.

People from all strata of life including teachers, students and professionals, attended the programme.

ATN BANGLA

02:50	Bangla Feature Film
06:15	Amra Korbo Joy
08:00	Meghe Dhaka Tara
10:45	Bilhange Kotha
11:55	Drama: Last Two Minutes

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12:30	Score Card
03:05	Music Hour
06:07	Shorai pot (Live)
10:00	Prime Time
11:05	Down the Wicket

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10:05	Gaan-er Shomoy
02:30	Tele-film
05:30	Tifin-er Fakre
06:45	Roop Madhuri
11:50	Hip Hip Hurre (Live)

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08:00	Rumble in the Bronx
12:30	The Ugly Truth
12:45	Flash Kick
12:50	Islamic Program
02:1	