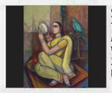
WHAT'S ON

90th Anniversary of 'Bidrohi' & 113th Birth Anniversary of Nazrul
Bangladesh-India joint celebration
Venue: Bangabandhu International Conference Centre & Shilpakala Academy

Concert
Band: Dolchhut
Venue: Indira Gandhi Cultural Centre (Library & Auditorium), H-35, R-24, Gulshan 1
Date: June 1; Time: 6:30pm

Film Screening
Title: Emmas Gluck
Venue: Berlin Hall, Goethe-Institut, H-10, Rd-9 (New), Dhanmondi



Solo Art Exhibition
Title: Tribute to Bijan Choudhury
Artist: Bijan Choudhury
Venue: Bengal Foundation, H-275/F, R-27 (Old), Dhanmondi
Date: May 22-31

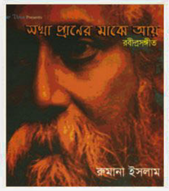
Solo Art Exhibition
Title: Tumi Achho Ontorey
Artist: Rezaun Nabi
Venue: Shilpangan Gallery, H-7, R-13(New), Dhanmondi
Date: May 18-30

Group Drawing Exhibition
Title: Freefall
Venue: Bengal Art Lounge, 60 Gulshan Avenue, Circle 1
Date: May 24-June 11

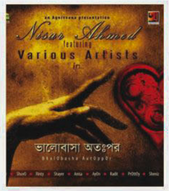
Musical Soiree
Organiser: Shuddho Sangeet Proshar Gosthi
Venue: 32 Lane , Kalabagan
Date: May 31
Time: 6pm

Solo Art Exhibition
Artist: Mrinal Kanty Das
Venue: Dhaka Art Centre, Dhanmondi
Date: May 18-26
Time: 3pm-8pm

NEW RELEASES



Shokha Praner Majhe Aye
Solo album of Rabindra Sangeet by Rumana Islam
Source: Laser Vision



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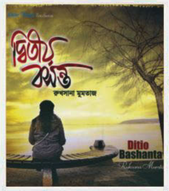
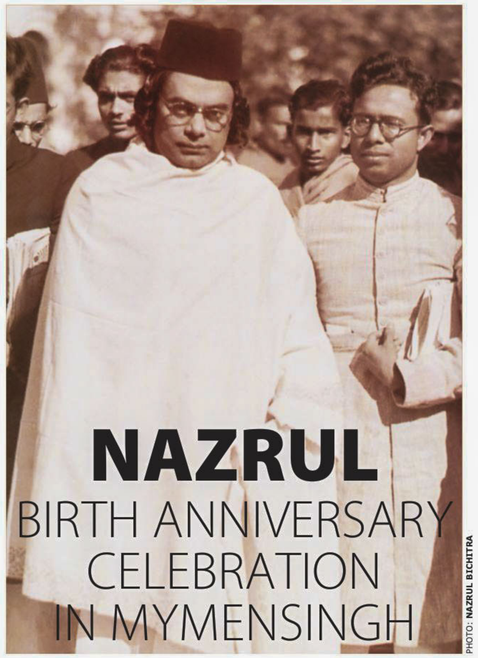
Mixed album
Source: Agniveena



Ditio Bashanta
Solo album by Ruksana Mumtaj
Source: Laser Vision

Shanti Kapat Uriye Dao
Solo album by Shamima Parveen Shimu
Source: Agniveena



NAZRUL BIRTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION IN MYMENSINGH

PHOTO: NAZRUL BICHITRA

AMINUL ISLAM, *Mymensingh*

The national level 113th birth anniversary celebration of National Poet Kazi Nazrul Islam has kicked off in Trishal. The three-day celebration began yesterday at Darirampur Nazrul Mancha. The celebration is being jointly organised by the Ministry of Cultural Affairs and Mymensingh district administration.

The programmes include rallies, discussions, live performances, gatherings of poets, staging of plays and dances. Eminent artistes of the country are attending the cultural shows. A three-day fair themed 'Nazrul Mela' is also being held marking the occasion.

Minister for Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives, Syed Ashraful Islam formally inaugurated the celebrations as chief guest.

Professor Dr. Syed Giasuddin, vice-chancellor of Jatiyo Kobi Kazi Nazrul Islam University in Trishal, delivered the 'Nazrul Speech' on the opening day.

Deputy Commissioner of Mymensingh, Lokman Hossain Miah, presided over the opening session.

On the concluding day (May 27), H.T. Imam, Prime Minister's advisor for Public Administration Affairs, will attend a discussion as chief guest. State Minister for Cultural Affairs, Advocate Promod Mankin; Advocate Muslem Uddin, MP; Hayatur Rahman Khan, MP and secretary of Awami League district unit, Abdul Matin Sarker, will address the discussion, among others.

Dr. Biswajit Ghosh, Professor of Bengali Department at Dhaka University, will deliver a lecture on Nazrul. Mohammad Moinuddin Abdullah, Dhaka Divisional Commissioner, will be in the chair.

Meanwhile, Jatiya Kobi Kazi Nazrul Islam University (JKKNIU) in Trishal has also undertaken a three-day programme at its campus marking the 113th birth anniversary of the Rebel Poet. The programme includes placing of floral wreaths at the portrait of the poet, rally, cultural shows, debate for children, book fair and a photo exhibition on Nazrul.

The students of Music and Drama departments of the university are leading the cultural programmes that include a musical soiree and staging of Nazrul's play. Prizes among the winners of cultural competitions will be distributed on the concluding day.

Different socio-cultural and educational institutions across the district are also observing the birth anniversary of Nazrul with various programmes.

THE WEEKLY STRUM

Song: Ei Shikol Pora Chhol

Lyrics and tune by Kazi Nazrul Islam

F#.....B……
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Ei Shikol-Pora Chhol, Moder Ei Shikol-Pora Chhol
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Ei Shikol-Pora Chhol, Moder Ei Shikol-Pora Chhol
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Ei Baandhon Porey Baandhon-Bhoyke Korbo Mora Joy
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Ei Shikol-Baandha Pa Noy, E Shikol-Bhanga Kol
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Aar Traash Dekhiye Korbe Bhabcho Bidhir Shoktithrash
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Tomra Bhoy Dekhiye Korcho Shashon, Joy Dekhiye Noy
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Shei Bhoyer Tunti-I Dhorbo Tipey, Korbo Tarey Loy
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Mora Apni Morey Morar Deshey Anbo Porabhoy
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Mora Faanshi Porey Anbo Hashi Mrittu-Joyer Phol
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Orey Krondon Noy Bondhon Ei Shikol-Jhonjhona
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E Je Mukto-Pother Agroduuter Choron-Bondona
….E……B……
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Ei Lanchiterai Ottacharke Hanchey Lanchona
……B……F#.....
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Moder Osthi Diyei Jolbey Deshey Aabar Bojronol
F#.....B……
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Ei Shikol-Pora Chhol, Moder Ei Shikol-Pora Chhol…

SOURCE: INTERNET

Award in elocution, in honour of **Kazi Sabyasachi**

Kazi Sabyasachi

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

To mark the 90th anniversary of the publication of Nazrul's poem "Bidrohi", Bangladesh government has initiated an award for elocutionists. The award is named after Nazrul's son Kazi Sabyasachi. This year, the award went to veteran elocutionist and Director General of Bangladesh Television, Kazi Abu Zafar Siddiqui. Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina handed over a crest and prize money (Tk. 50,000) to Siddiqui at the inaugural ceremony of the two-day Bangladesh India joint celebration programme held at the Bangabandhu International Conference Centre yesterday morning.

Khilkhil Kazi, daughter of Kazi Sabyasachi, was ecstatic. She said that the Kazi family suggested the government to initiate such an award. "As one of the members of the national committee that celebrates Nazrul birth anniversary, I suggested the government to launch the award," says Khilkhil.

Although this year the award was conferred on veteran elocutionist Siddiqui, Khilkhil informed that promoting young reciters is an aim of this initiative.

"In future, young reciters will be considered for the award," says Khilkhil.

Kazi Sabyasachi was the first to record recitation of the poem "Bidrohi", in 1966. He worked hard to reach out to the masses with the poem. In this regard, Khilkhil sees the award as a recognition of her father's work.

Ferdaus Ara honoured at Channel i's 'Nazrul Mela'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Marking the 113th birth anniversary of National Poet Kazi Nazrul Islam and 90th anniversary of the publication of Nazrul's "Bidrohi" (The Rebel), Channel i held the daylong 'Nazrul Mela' yesterday at its Tejgaon office in Dhaka. This was the eighth instalment of the fair in honour of Nazrul.

At this year's 'Nazrul Mela', the organisers honoured Nazrul Sangeet artiste Ferdaus Ara with the lifetime achievement award.

Veteran Nazrul singer Sohrab Hossain; Nazrul exponent Sudhin Das; managing director, Channel i and Impress Telefilm Ltd, Faridur Reza Sagor; director and head of news of the channel, Shykh Seraj; directors of Channel i -- Jahir Uddin Mahmud Mamun and Abdur Rashid Majumdar, conferred the award on Ferdaus Ara. The awardee received a cheque worth Tk 5,00,000; a crest and *uttario* on behalf of Channel i.

Featuring Ferdaus Ara, a VCD, titled "Prothom Prodip", was unveiled at the fair.

Sangeet gurus Sohrab Hossain and Sudhin Das; singer and music researcher Mustafa Zaman Abbasi honoured Ferdaus Ara. Theatre personalities Ataur Rahman and Syed Salahuddin Zaki; Professor Syed Anwar Hossain; singers Fakir Alamgir, Shabnam Mushtari and Salahuddin Ahmed; elocutionist Kazi Arif; art researcher Anupam Hayat and others inaugurated the daylong fair at 11:30 am.

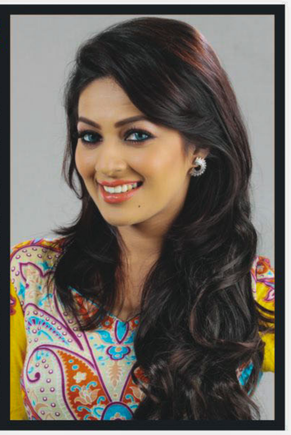
Noted painters of the country, including Maniruzzaman, Biren Shome, Ranjit Das, Abdul Mannan and Zahid Mostafa painted while Nazrul Sangeet singers, elocutionists, cultural organisations and dance troupes of the country performed Nazrul's songs, recited his poems and danced at the fair. This year 20 stalls were placed at the fair premises.

Channel i aired 'Nazrul Mela' live.

PHOTO COURTESY: CHANNEL I

Ferdaus Ara receives her crest from Sohrab Hossain (left) and Sudhin Das.

DS CAFÉ



The gorgeous model and actress Monalisa is the featured celebrity of this month at DS Café. She will be on the hot seat and readers can fire away questions at her at The Daily Star Centre **Today**, between 4 and 5pm. The best question will be highlighted in the transcription. Call 8126155, 01711623915 and 01711623917 to speak to Monalisa.

Fundraising exhibition at Gallery Chitrak

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Promising painter Khandakar Jamil Iqbal Azad has been ailing with cancer. He is now undergoing treatment at a Singapore hospital. To aid him, Gallery Chitrak in Dhanmondi, Dhaka has organised a fundraising art exhibition.

The exhibition features the works of Qayuum Chowdhury, Rafiqun Nabi, Samarjit Roy Chowdhury, Monirul Islam, Abul Barq Alvi, Abdus Shakoor Shah, Mohammad Eunus, Jamal Ahmed, Mohammad Moniruzzaman and Mohammad Iqbal. About 50 artworks are on display at the exhibition.

Proceeds from sales of the paintings will go to Azad's treatment.

Lawmaker and cultural personality Asaduzzaman Noor and Mijarul Quayes, secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, jointly inaugurated the five-day exhibition on May 23. The exhibition will continue till May 27.

Azad was born in Rangpur in 1981. He completed his BFA from Printmaking Department, the Faculty of Fine Arts, University of Dhaka in 2006.

Parveen Sultana's homage to National Poet

PHOTO: MUNIT M.

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Marking 113th birth anniversary of the National Poet, Laser Vision hosted an album launch and a musical programme featuring accomplished singer Parveen Sultana at Seven Hill Restaurant in Dhaka on May 24.

Parveen's latest album, "Anjali Laho Mor Sangeet-e", contains covers of 12 melodious Nazrul Sangeet, including "Bhoriya Poran Shunitechhi Gaan", "Shunya E Buk-e Pakhi Mor", "Amar Nayan-e Nayan Rakhi", "Nilambori Sari Pori", "Gobhir Nishithey Ghum Bhengey Jaye", "Jhoro Jhoro Jhorey Shawon Dhara", "Chander Konya Chand Sultana", and of course, the titular song. Laser Vision has produced the album. Manam Ahmed and Khayam Ahmed have directed music for the album.

Information secretary Hedayetullah Al Mamun unveiled the album as chief guest. Mahbub Jamil was present as a special guest. Among others, noted musician Sanjib Dey; chairman and managing director of Laser Vision, AKM Arifur Rahman and Mazharul Islam, respectively, were present and spoke at the event.

Parveen Sultana rendered several Nazrul melodies at the event. Her repertoire included "Amaye Nohe Go Bhalobasho Shudhu", "Tumi Shundor Tai Cheye Thaki Priyo", "Janom Janom Gelo Asha Poth Chahi" and a number from the album.

Inspired by her parents, especially her father Khandoker Sirajul Huda, Parveen started her music lessons under renowned teachers like Ustad Mithun Dey, Sanjib Dey, Khalid Hussain, Akhter Sadmani and Barin Majumdar. The artiste's first Nazrul Sangeet album "Khushir Eid" earned her the Citycell-Channel i Music Award in 2008.

TAPESTRY WORKSHOP IN CHITTAGONG

PHOTO: STAR

ARUN BIKASH DEY, *Chittagong*

A workshop on tapestries was held at Shilpi Rashid Chowdhury Art Gallery of the Fine Arts Institute of Chittagong University with the participation of local artists, from May 16 to 21.

The workshop was organised by Shilpi Rashid Chowdhury Smriti Parshad. Renowned tapestry artist Tajul Islam conducted the workshop.

Twenty-one artists took part at the workshop and had an opportunity to learn about tapestry practically. A 2x1 ft frame was given to each of the participants where they had to showcase their talents on tapestry.

The participants visualised different subjects through the medium of tapestry, including the scenic beauty of Bangladesh, the spirit of the Liberation War and some figurative expressions.

Azizul Quadir, a participant of the workshop and also convener of the Shilpi Rashid Chowdhury Smriti Parshad, said that they have learnt about the ins and outs of the technical sides of tapestry at the workshop.

Artist Tajul Islam said that it is the first workshop of its kind in Bangladesh. "I learned about tapestry from artist Rashid Chowdhury when I was a student of Fine Arts at Dhaka University," Tajul told The Daily Star.

"It was in the late 1970s when I used to go to the tapestry studio of artist Rashid Chowdhury," he said, adding, "I began to assist him and thus I was taking lessons on tapestry from my teacher."

Tajul said that he organised a workshop on tapestry at Shilpangan Gallery in Dhaka in 2005.

Artist Monsur-ul-Karim, a Professor of Fine Arts Institute of Chittagong University and also the coordinator of the workshop, said that there is no alternative to tapestry. Artist Rashid Chowdhury popularised tapestry as an art form, he said.

Ekushey Padak recipient artist Monsur-ul-Karim also said that the demand for tapestry is on the rise globally. We find instances of tapestry in many important structures of our country, including the back portion of the seat of the Speaker at the national assembly of Bangladesh and the entrance of the Osmani Memorial Auditorium in Dhaka, he said.

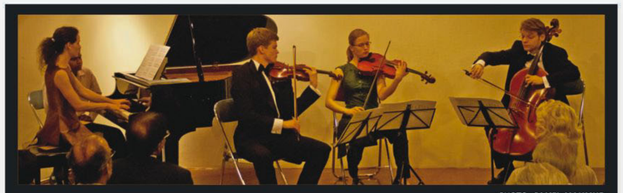
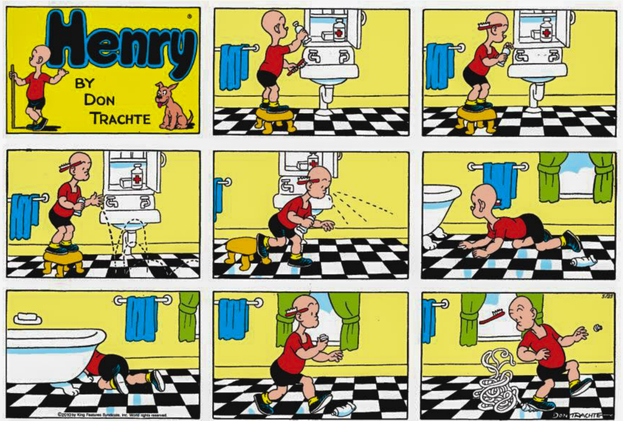


PHOTO: JAMIL MAHMUD

To celebrate the 40th anniversary of diplomatic relations between Bangladesh and Germany, the German Embassy in Dhaka arranged a western classical music recital featuring the German troupe Quartet Notos. Officials, diplomats and ambassadors of different nations enjoyed the concert held at Red Shift in Gulshan, Dhaka on May 23. German Ambassador to Bangladesh, Holger Michael, welcomed the troupe as well as the audience. Quartet Notos performed two compositions by Joacquin Turina (Spain) and Johannes Brahms (Germany). The recital commenced with the rendition of the national anthem of Bangladesh.



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

ATN BANGLA
11:45 Nazrul Utshab '19
01:25 Prapok
03:05 Bangla Feature Film
09:20 Drama Serial: Chhayanari Kayanari

CHANNEL i
12:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan
12:30 Taraka Kothon
01:05 Bangla Feature Film
06:10 Manusher Jonno Shonglap
09:35 Hridoye Mati O Manush
11:30 Special Programme

ntv
08:45 Bangla Feature Film
03:10 Drama Serial: Ronger Manush
09:00 Drama: Haat
11:30 Viewers Hour
12:30 Chhobir Gaan
03:00 Bangla Feature Film
06:30 Nupur Bejey Jai
07:45 Amra Dujon Dekhtey Kemon
08:15 Pothey Jetey Jetey
12:30 Total Sports

Diganta TV
12:30 Durantto Khobor
03:05 Music Hour
06:30 Ektara Dotara
08:40 Lime Light
10:00 Prime Time

Maasranga Television
02:30 Bangla Feature Film
06:30 Drama Serial: Dilur Golpo
08:00 Drama Serial: Bondhuta
09:02 Shera Radhuni
10:15 Euro Friendly Football '12 (Live)

CHANNEL 9
09:00 Bangla Feature Film
06:00 Classic Cartoon
07:45 Drama Serial: Dead And

ETV

RADIO

abc radio FM 89.2
06:00 Bhorer Janalay
09:00 Mukhorito Jiboney
12:00 Darun Dupurey
03:00 Duranto Bikeley
05:00 Shondhatara
07:00 Shajer Maya
09:00 Raat-er Akashey
11:00 Golper Shesh Nei

RADIO FOORTI
08:00 Addabazi
02:00 Foorti Unlimited
06:00 Bumper to Bumper
10:00 Back to Back Music

RADIO TODAY FM 89.6
06:00 Green FM
08:00 Good Morning Dhaka
11:00 World Music
04:00 U Turn
07:00 Tobe Tai Hok
10:00 Raat Bhor Gaan
12:00 Hutum Pecha

Manusher Jonno Shonglap
On CHANNEL i at 06:20pm
Talk Show
Host: Golam Murtaza

The Mechanic
On Fox Movies at 09:00pm
Genre: Crime/Thriller
Cast: Jason Statham, Ben Fostxer

Amar Ami
On BANGLAVISION at 09:05pm
Celebrity Talk Show
Guest: Model Adnan & Rakhi

11:30 Notuner Joygaan
01:30 Bangla Feature Film
05:30 Dokhina Haoya
07:50 Protichhobi
09:30 Nel Payrar Gaan
12:05 Ekushey-er Raat

Boishakhi TV
10:30 Bangla Feature Film
06:20 Satkahan
08:00 Music Train
08:35 Amra Duti Kemon Juti
11:00 Nirapad Sarak Chai

BANGLAVISION
11:05 Ami Ekhon Ki Korbo
01:05 Bangla Feature Film
06:25 Front Line
09:45 Drama Serial: Gulshan Avenue

Rtv
10:10 Dhrupodi Kahini
12:35 Bangla Feature Film
04:10 Musical Programme
05:30 Roopkotha
11:30 Jegey Achho Ki

Desh TV
10:20 Dhulo Khela
11:45 Gen X

Fox Movies
11:25 Once Upon A Time
01:15 The Joneses
02:55 Big Mommas: Like Father, Like Son
04:45 The Next Three Days
07:00 Il Divo- Live In London
08:00 Homeland
09:00 The Mechanic
10:40 Species Iii

Star World
11:30 The Front Row
12:30 Two and a Half Men
08:30 Touch
09:30 Revenge
10:30 Desperate Housewives
11:30 Jr Master Chef

Discovery Channel
11:30 Food Detectives
03:30 Discovery Biggest Shows
07:30 Destroyed in Seconds
08:30 Stan Lee's Super Humans
09:30 Man Vs. Wild
10:30 Swords

DRAMA SERIAL

ATN BANGLA
08:00pm Poramatir Golpo
08:40pm Chora Goli
11:00pm Dolchhut Pakhira
CHANNEL i
06:20pm Munnujan
07:50pm Noorjahan
Rtv
08:15pm Chorkabbo
09:05pm Oloshpur
ntv
08:15pm Bondhu Amar
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09:30pm Rongila
BANGLAVISION
08:15pm Harkipirey
09:50pm Mon Rongila
CHANNEL 9

NEWS BULLETIN

BTV
News (Bangla) at 12pm, 2pm, 5pm, 8pm.
News (English) at 10am, 4pm, 10pm.
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News (Bangla) at 11am, 12pm, 2pm, 7pm, 10pm.
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News (Bangla) at 2pm, 7pm, 9pm, 11pm.
Maasranga Television
News (Bangla) at 7pm, 1am.

TALK SHOW

ATN BANGLA
12:30am Lead News
CHANNEL i
09:45am Tritio Matra
11:05am Amader Aayna
ETV
10:10pm Golpo Sholpo Gaan
Desh TV
09:45pm Bela Obela Sharabela
11:45pm Shoja Kotha
Boishakhi TV
12:00am Zero Hour
BANGLAVISION
09:05pm Amar Ami
11:25pm Lal Golap
Rtv
10:40am Tarokalap
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