

WHAT'S ON

Sculpture Exhibition
Sculptor: Ferdousy Priyabhashini
Title: Dialogue of Nature
Venue: Shilpangan Gallery, Dhanmondi
Date: Sept 21-Oct 2
Time: 10pm-8pm

Photography Exhibition
Title: Rahman's 71
Photographer: Abdul Hamid
Rahman
Venue: H-60, R-7/A, Dhaka Art Centre
Date: Sept 22-30
Time: 3pm-8pm

Album Launch & Musical Soiree
Album: "Nokhi Kartar Nahi" & "Samar Open Neli"
Venue: Ohayyak Auditorium, R-72, H-15/A, Dhanmondi
Date: Sept 25

Solo Art Exhibition
Title: BSA
Artist: Bangli Das
Venue: Bengal Art Lounge, 60, Gulshan Avenue, Circle 1
Date: Sept 7-28

Theatre
Play: Ebon Bidyasagar
Troupe: Aranyak Natyadala
Venue: National Theatre Hall, Shilpakala Academy
Date: Sept 24, Time: 7pm

Photography Exhibition
Photographer: Anil Advani
Venue: Radius Centre, Gulshan-1
Date: Sept 21-Oct 12
Time: 10am-8pm

Group Drawing Exhibition
Title: Darw: Turning Thoughts into Lines
Venue: Athena Gallery, Progoti Shorani, Uttar Badda
Date: Sept 15-Oct 15
Time: 10am-7:30pm

Group Watercolour Exhibition
Title: Water Rhythms
Venue: Gallery Eiya, H-20, R-16, Sec-4, Uttara
Date: Sept 15-25



Artworks on display.

Dialogue of Nature

Ferdousy Priyabhashini's exhibition at Shilpangan Gallery

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Under the title "Dialogue of Nature", Shilpangan Art Gallery in Dhanmondi has organised the 18th solo sculpture exhibition of Ferdousy Priyabhashini. The exhibition was inaugurated on September 21. Noted educationist Professor Anisuzzaman inaugurated the exhibition as chief guest. Rokeya Kader, chairperson of Shilpangan Trust was present as guest on the occasion. Sculptor Ferdousy Priyabhashini and Rumi Noman, member-secretary of Shilpangan Trust, spoke on the occasion.

Priyabhashini is an ardent nature lover and her sculpture enthusiastically reflects that. She believes that we are all inseparable parts of nature. Her works define the nature of beauty, love, ecstasy, anguish and hope. At the exhibition, the



artist has used discarded objects like roots, dry branches, trunks, coconut fibre, grass etc. Herons, thatched houses, single human

figure, boats, birds, windows, doors, houses, trees, jubilant human forms, dancing figures, contemplative women are recur-

ring subjects at the exhibition. The artist's themes may not be novel, but one will find that even the best of artists have often repeated their subjects. A hard working and meticulous sculptor; her working style remains somewhat modern and yet soothing and peaceful.

At the exhibition, her "Bihonger Chhondo" is a delightful and delicate piece of work that speaks of feminine equilibrium. "Unmona" represents a contemplative bird amidst greenery.

From her childhood Priyabhashini had an affinity with nature. In moments of suffering and depression she often found solace in nature. She chose driftwood as her subject as she has an empathy with items considered discarded and unwanted.

The exhibition will continue till October 2.

Humayun Ahmed's '1971' staged in Ctg

SHAHENOR AKTHER URMI, Chittagong

As a tribute to noted litterateur Humayun Ahmed, Onadikipo, an emerging drama troupe in the port city, staged his drama "1971" in the packed Shilpakala Academy auditorium on Friday evening.

The drama is based on a true incident during the Liberation War. The main character, a boy named Rafiq, was not directly involved in the Liberation War but supported the freedom fighters. Rafiq feigned to be a collaborator with the Pakistani Army but in reality was thwarting all their actions against the freedom fighters.

He even torched some houses in his own village so that the villagers were compelled to flee and so did not

fuel the fury of the Pakistani Army. When the army found out his true intentions and identity, he was shot dead by the occupying army.

In the play, the performers put in their best to portray the writer's remorse that even 41 years after independence the contributions of unsung heroes like Rafiq go unnoticed and unrecognized.

The play has been directed by Masudur Rahman while Saifullah Shakeel, Abdullah Oman, Ali Reza, Sadia Aftreen and Rafsan Galib played the leading roles.

The set was designed by Shajahan and lighting was done by the director himself.

This was the inaugural staging of Onadikipo's 10th drama production.



A scene from the play.

PHOTO: STAR

Nasima Shaheen performs Nazrul Sangeet at IGCC

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Noted Nazrul Sangeet artiste Nasima Shaheen Fancy performed in a solo musical soiree held on September 22 at the auditorium of Indira Gandhi Cultural Centre (IGCC), High Commission of India in Dhaka.

The artiste performed a number of songs belonging to different genres -- Raga based songs, kavyageeti, shyama sangeet, kirtans, Palli genre, bhajans, ghazals and more composed by our National Poet Kazi Nazrul Islam.

The singer embarked on the soiree with the song "Phothom Prodig Jwalo" set on Raga "Patpdi". The rendition of the song "Ore Nishith Samadhi Bhango Na" followed. Performance of several

raga based numbers including "Janom Janom Gelo" (based on Raga "Bageshree") and "Nishi Nijhum Ghum Nahi Ashey" (set on Raga "Behag") earned her accolades.

Nasima Shaheen performed several other songs such as "Abar Bhalobashar Sadh Jagey", "Poddar Dheu Rey", "Shyama Naam-er Laglo Agun", "Mago Chinmoyi Roop Dhorey Aaye" and "Ami Chirotoyer Dur-e Chole Jabo".

Marking the 36th death anniversary (2012) of the National Poet, Bengal Foundation is publishing several Nazrul Sangeet albums featuring noted artistes. Nasima Shaheen Fancy's solo album titled "Nishi Nijhum" is all set for release. The artiste has scored 12 Nazrul Sangeet for the album.



Lalon evening in Panchagarh

QUAMRUL ISLAM RUBAIYAT, Thakurgaon

Sahitya Adda (an open literary session) on Lalon Shah titled Lalon Sandha was held at Nazrul Pathagar in Panchagarh on Wednesday evening. The event included songs, discussion and recitation.

The programme began with a rendition of a Lalon song "Sahaj Manush Khuje Dekh Narey", performed by a local artiste Satyandranath Barman.

Lalon's heart-wrenching lyrics and the spiritual music captivated the literature lovers during the three-hour programme.

A baul troupe from Haribhabha village under Panchagarh Sadar upazila performed songs of Lalon. Shah Jamal, a blacksmith, recited his self-composed poem on Lalon Shah.

The discussion was held during the intervals of the song renditions.

The discussants included Deputy Commissioner Md. Tofazzel Hossain Miah; Superintendent of Police Shahriar Rahman; principal of Bhajanpur Degree College Md. Shafiqul Islam; advocate Ahsan Habib and president of Panchagarh Press Club A Rahman Mukul. Assistant Professor of Panchagarh Government Women College, Ehteshamul Haque moderated the programme.

The speakers said Lalon's songs are still very relevant in the present socio-economic and political context of the society where communalism and fundamentalism have risen to extreme levels. The secular and universal message of Lalon's songs provides inspiration and power to fight social evils.

Lalon himself never articulated his religious beliefs or identified himself with any caste or religion. However, he spoke out strongly against the practices of institutional religions, which earned him the hostility of both Muslim and Hindu preachers and thinkers of his time.

It is time to spread his message of love and humanity by following the true spirit of Lalon's work, they added.

The speakers expressed their gratitude to Rabindranath Tagore as he first brought to light Lalon's work internationally and also preserved 298 songs of Lalon.

Deputy Commissioner Md. Tofazzel Hossain Miah and Nazrul Pathagar, Panchagarh organised the event. Over 100 enthusiastic poets, litterateurs, cultural activists and literature lovers attended the programme with much interest.

Citi pays tribute to Subir Nandi



Rashed Maqsood (R) and Mahubul Jamil presenting a crest to the artiste.

A CORRESPONDENT

Citibank, N.A., Bangladesh organised its annual "Gaan e Gaan e Gunijon Shongborthona" programme in Dhaka, hosted annually to honour the musical and cultural legends of Bangladesh. This year, Citi honoured Subir Nandi for his dedication, talent and outstanding service in preserving the cultural heritage of Bangladesh and for

the music industry as a whole. Rashed Maqsood, managing director and Citi country officer for Bangladesh along with Mahubul Jamil, chairman, Singer Bangladesh presented the artiste with a crest and a portrait on behalf of Citi.

Rokia Afzal Rahman, former advisor to the caretaker government and renowned artiste Ferdousi Rahman, presented Subir Nandi with a bouquet at the end of the programme. Nandi who shared the stage with

veteran artist Kanak Chapa, regaled the audience of policy makers, ambassadors, artistes and Citi clients with a performance of timeless modern songs.

Since the first "Gaan e Gaan e Gunijon Shongborthona" in 2004, Citi has honoured artistes of repute such as Nilufar Yasmin, Farida Parveen, Feroza Begum, Sanjida Khatun, Shorab Hossain, Ferdousi Rahman, Sabina Yasmin and Rizwana Chowdhury Bannya.

Int'l World Food Day poster contest

SUSHANTA GHOSH, Barisal

The first-ever international World Food Day (WFD) poster contest for young people was organised in Barisal on Friday.

The programme was held at Barisal Govt Girls School premises focusing on the theme, "Agricultural cooperatives--key to feeding the world" to observe World Food Day '12 on October 16, 2012.

The poster contest is organised by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). Ninety four children in three age-groups participated in the poster contest.

AKM Luthful Kabir, FAO coordinator presided over the prize giving ceremony of the contest that was addressed among others by Md. Daud Mia, Additional Deputy Commissioner Barisal; Dr. Kaiser Khan, FAO project chief; A H M Tawfique, divisional representative UNICEF; Iqbal Hossain, regional chief WFO; Tahmina Ferdous, nutritionist; Manabendra Batobayal and

Sushanta Ghosh of Charukala Barisal. Painting materials were distributed among the competitors and three of the winners from each group.

The FAO has given a focus to the observance of World Food Day '12 and thereby raise awareness and understanding of approaches to ending hunger, the organisers said.

"Agricultural cooperatives--key to feeding the world" has been chosen as the theme of 2012 to highlight the role of cooperatives in improving food security and contributing to the eradication of hunger, they said.

When we work together as a team, we can achieve things that would otherwise be unachievable. This is why we are featuring cooperatives as an effective way of producing, processing, marketing and even buying food, Marzuka Anan Tori, one of the competitors said.

This contest gives children an opportunity to express their ideas about hunger and share their creative visions with the world, added Mantaka Zunnurain Adrit, another competitor.



Disney film to show how Mary Poppins flew from book to screen



REUTERS, Los Angeles

The tale of how the world's most beloved nanny, Mary Poppins, flew from the pages of a popular book onto the big screen is the subject of a new film starring Tom Hanks and Emma Thompson, Disney said on Wednesday.

The film called "Saving Mr. Banks" began production on Wednesday. It tells of Walt Disney's 20-year pursuit of the film rights to author P.L. Travers' novel "Mary Poppins". Walt Disney Co's movie studio said in a statement. Hanks will play Walt Disney, marking the first time the legendary animator and film producer has ever been depicted in a dramatic film. Thompson will play Travers, who reluctantly granted Disney the film rights while demanding script and character control that clashed with Disney's vision for the movie musical.

"Mary Poppins" was released in 1964 and won five Oscars, including a best actress award for Julie Andrews in the title role, best original score and best song for "Chim Chim Cher-ee."

The story of the magical English nanny who flies with her umbrella has also been made into a hit stage musical, playing on Broadway. The Cameron Mackintosh production was also a hit in London's West End.

John Lee Hancock, whose best-known films include "The Rookie" and "The Blind Side," will direct "Saving Mr. Banks." The film also stars Colin Farrell as Travers' father and Rachel Griffiths as her aunt.

"Saving Mr. Banks" will be released sometime in 2013, Disney said.

Glitter and glamour

Diamond World --Channel I Best Award 2011 will be held today at Farrer Park in Singapore, says a press release. Celebrated singers and actors will perform at the programme. In their ranks are actors Razzak, Faruk Ahmed, Babita and Ferdous. So are singers Sabina Yasmin, Momtaz, Syed Abdul Hadi, Bari Siddiqui, James, Monir Khan, Rizia Parvin and Mehrin. Also in the limelight are models Nobel and Imon, TV actors Mahfuz Ahmed, Chanchal Chowdhury, Arefin Shuvo, Joya Ahsan and others. The glitzy show will feature the giving away of 15 awards in different categories including a Lifetime Achievement.

Premiere of Sonali Alo held

A CORRESPONDENT

The premiere of "Sonali Alo", the 26-episode TV serial based on the health of pregnant women, infants and children was held at Winter Garden, Ruposhi Bangla Hotel, Dhaka on September 19.

Professor AFM Ruhul Haque MP, Minister of Health and Family Welfare, inaugurated the programme as chief guest. The programme was organised by the Ministry of Health and supported by Unicef. Dr. Pascal Villeneuve, country representative, UNICEF Bangladesh; Dr. Capt. (Retd.) Mojibur Rahman Fakir MP; State Minister, Health and Family Welfare; Professor Syed Modasser Ali, Adviser to the Prime Minister, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Social Welfare were present as special guests. Profes-

sor Khondaker Md. Shefietullah, Director General of Health Services chaired the programme. Dr. S.A.J. Md. Musa, director PHC and Line Director, MNC&AH, DGHS gave the welcome address and Ramendu Majumdar, managing director, Expressions Ltd concluded the programme with the vote of thanks.

"Sonali Alo", written by Masum Reza, is an infotainment. The guests expressed the view that the drama would gain acceptance from all sections.

Renowned actors Raisul Islam Asad, Afroza Banu, Chitrolekha Guho, Saberi Alam, Bijori Barkottullah, Mir Sabbir, Shams Suman, Intekhab Dinar, Sohana Saba, Shaju Khadem and others play the main roles in the drama.



PHOTO: MUMIT M.

Artistes of the musical troupe Rabirag performed in an autumnal musical soiree titled "Sharot Kalin Srotar Ashor" held at the main auditorium of Chhayanaut Shangkriti Bhavan on September 21. At the soiree the artistes performed an array of songs ushering in the welcome change of season. Director of "Rabirag" Saadi Mohammad directed music at the event.

BTV	12:35 Shukhi Paribar	09:00 Bangla Feature Film
02:40	Shomoyer Shonglap	07:45 Drama Serial: Shamikaran
03:45	ICC Twenty-twenty	Drama Serial: Opashe
	Cricket World Cup	Drama Serial: Baraf Dana
07:45	ICC Twenty-twenty	09:25 Cricket World Cup
	Cricket World Cup	Kobir Loral
ntv		CHANNEL 24
08:45	Bangla Feature Film	01:05 Musical Programme
04:10	Janar Achhey Bolar	08:10 Musical Launch
	Achhey	10:15 Drama Serial: Jolchhobi
09:00	Drama: Erpor Golper Ki	11:35 Sports 24
	Hobe Janina	Gtv
	Ideas Change Lives	11:00 Biz Time
11:30		11:30 Bangla Feature Film
ETV		09:05 Drama Serial: Jonani
11:30	Ekushey-er Business	09:35 Harmony
04:30	Jibon Brito	my tv
06:30	Desh Jury Operadhi	03:00 Bangla Feature Film
	Porikrama	08:10 Drama Serial: Eshar
11:45	Ekushey-er Raat	Kaboo
Boishakhi TV		04:15 Shorashori Doctor
		08:50 Music View

abc Radio FM 89.2	10:00 Morning Express
09:30 Edik Odik	12:30 No Tension
05:30 Kacha Lanka	04:00 Dhaka Calling
06:30 Mela Kani	06:00 Full Volume
07:20 GP Lunch	11:00 Back to Back music
07:45 Megh Barata	RADIO TODAY FM 89.6
09:30 Love Hour	06:00 Green FM
11:10 Hindi Hits	08:00 Good Morning Dhaka
RADIO FOOTR	12:00 Today's Adda
07:30 Hello Dhaka	04:00 U Turn

Ladies First on BANGLAVISION at 08:15pm
Drama Serial
Cast: ATM Shamsuzzaman, Dilip Chakrabarty

Rise of the Planet of the Apes
On Fox Movies
at 07:00pm
Genre: Action/ Drama
Cast: James Franco, Andy Serkis

Erpor Golper Ki Hobe Janina
On ntv at 09:00pm
Single Episode
TV Play
Cast: Anisur Rahman Millon,

08:35 Fashion Haat	09:20 Drama Serial: Ognipothi	11:00 Fox Movies
12:00 Reporters Dairy	02:20 Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides	12:00 The Mask of Zorro
01:05 Bangla Feature Film	04:40 Spider-Man 3	HBO
06:05 Ebon Class-er Baitry	10:50 The Mask of Zorro	11:10 Sucker Punch
08:15 Drama Serial: Ladies First	03:55 Sgy Kids 2: Island of Lost Dreams	06:10 Troy
11:25 Business Vision	09:30 Thor	12:05 Star World
Rtv		03:02 Gaan R Gaan
12:35 Bangla Feature Film	06:30 Sanskriti Sharadesh	06:30 Master Chef Australia
08:15 Drama Serial: Chorkaboo	10:30 Tribute to Legend	06:30 Grey's Anatomy
09:50 Dhruopadi Kahini	11:45 Best of ICC World Twenty-twenty	10:30 Once Upon A Time
12:05 Shimana Perley		02:30 National Geographic Channel
Desh TV		02:30 Deadliest Predators
03:02 Gaan R Gaan	06:30 Sanskriti Sharadesh	08:30 Super Cars Week
06:30 Tribute to Legend	10:30 Best of ICC World Twenty-twenty	09:30 World's Weirdest
11:45		Discovery Channel
09:00 Maasranga Television	11:02 Bangla Feature Film	02:30 Man vs. Wild
08:30 Drama Serial: Khonikhalay	08:30 Bangla Feature Film	06:30 Extraordinary Women
09:00 Tele-quiz	08:30 Drama Serial: Khonikhalay	
11:00 Adda Gaan	09:30 Adda Gaan	

ATN BANGLA	10:55pm Scandal	BANGLAVISION	09:55pm Long March
CHANEL 1	07:50pm Noorjahan	CHANEL 1	09:55pm Olshapur
ntv	08:15pm Bondhu Amar	Desh TV	07:45pm Saatkahon
ETV	09:30pm Tattu Ghora	Maasranga Television	08:50pm Sat Sawdagor
Boishakhi TV	08:00pm Jishitum	CHANNEL 24	09:30pm Jadur Shahar

BTV	10:25pm Digital Bangladesh	ETV	10:10pm Media Gossip
ATN BANGLA	01:00am Onno Drishti	Boishakhi TV	12:00am Zero Hour
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