



Syed Jahangir's solo drawing exhibition at Shilpangan Gallery

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Shilpangan Contemporary Art Gallery in Dhanmondi, is to organise a solo drawing exhibition titled “Ink Drawing, Drawing and Colour”, featuring the works of celebrated artist Syed Jahangir. The exhibition will open on May 1, and will run till May 7. The show commemorates Shilpangan’s founder Faiz Ahmad’s 85th birth anniversary.

The exhibition will be inaugurated by noted columnist and former diplomat Faruk Chaudhury. Rokeya Quader, chairperson of Shilpangan Trust; Shahidullah Khan Badal, publisher of New Age; theatre activist Aly Zaker; renowned artist Rafiqun Nabi and poet Belal Chowdhury will also speak on the occasion.

The USP of Jahangir’s drawings is a profound observation of rural Bengal, its people and the economic challenges they suffer. At the show, ink-based drawing and watercolour will be displayed.

Jahangir not only depicts our beautiful country, but some of his drawings also depict social and environmental issues like river erosion, suffering of underprivileged people, hardships of farmers, fishermen, boatmen and more. As a socially conscious artist, he picks up a number of themes that are closely connected to the rural people. Jahangir is also a romantic painter in his way of expression. In his drawings, he has attempted to recreate the memorable atmosphere of the river at night.



Celebrities lend a hand to Savar victims Taka 54 lakh pledged at Meril-Prothom Alo Awards



Pandit Ram Kanai Das (2-R) receives lifetime achievement award. Also seen: Matiur Rahman, Ferdausi Rahman and Anjan Chowdhury.

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Stars and media personalities gathered at the Bangabandhu International Conference Center’s Hall of Fame, in Dhaka, to attend the Meril-Prothom Alo Awards this Friday. This year’s programme, however, was different, as it projected a mourning atmosphere for the victims of the Savar tragedy.

Despite many doubts on whether the event would be eventually staged, stars turned up, as well as socialites and eminent personalities.

The Prothom Alo family pinned black badges on all the guests, as a mark of grief for the Savar victims. The stage also had the dark ambience of a star filled night -- with large banners on both sides saying “We are grief-stricken by Savar building collapse”. Similar banners were also put up outside the venue. Donations pledged by the guests present at the programme added up to 54 lakh taka.

The Meril-Prothom Alo Awards, which stepped into its 14th year, began with author and the daily’s Associate Editor Anisul Haq announcing that the event was supposed to be suspended following the Savar disaster, but the decision was reversed to allow the artiste community and the Meril-Prothom Alo family to stand beside the victims.

Prothom Alo Editor Matiur Rahman was next on stage. In his welcome speech, he said, “On behalf of our daily, Bondhu Shobha and Prothom Alo Trust have already begun relief work for the Savar victims. A fund has also been set up at this ceremony to ensure more assistance for those affected by the tragedy.”

“This programme is also being staged to recognise the various contributions made by the artistes in the media,” he added.

Square Toiletries Executive Director Anjan Chowdhury also spoke, saying, “Dawn follows the darkest hours. Square stands beside the victims with its support.”

The award ceremony followed the speeches, with Munmun coming on stage to begin proceedings. The first award was for Lifetime Achievement, which went to Pandit Ram Kanai Das.

Ferdausi Rahman handed a crest and a cheque to the awardee, while Anjan Chowdhury gifted him with an *uttorio*.

Emcees of the programme -- Chanchal Chowdhury and Mosharraf Karim -- then carried the programme ahead. The award for Best Film went to Humayun Ahmed’s “Ghetuputro Komola”; the trophy was received by Faridur Reza Sagor. Meher Afroze Shaon broke in tears when she got up on the stage to receive Humayun Ahmed’s Best Director award for the same film.

The award for Best Playwright (TV) went to Azad Abul Kalam, while Critics’ Choice award for the Best TV Director went to Animesh Aich. Tarin and Mosharraf Karim won the Critics Choice awards for Best TV Actress and Actor respectively. Critics also awarded Tarik Anam Khan as Best Film Actor, while Shamima Nazneen was the critics’ pick for the Best Film Actress honour. Child actors Mamun and Meghla also received special awards from the critics.

Habib won the Best Male Singer award, while Nancy claimed the trophy for Best Female Singer. Zahid Hasan and Tisha were voted the Best TV Actor and Actress respectively. Shakib Khan won the Best Film Actor award, while the Best Film Actress trophy was shared by Jaya Ahsan and Kushum Shikdar.

Anisul Haq drew conclusion to the gala, thanking everyone for their support.

Mala Sinha: “I wish I were a heroine of today's times”

PALLAB BHATTACHARYA, New Delhi

Time and tide wait for none. But yesteryear Bollywood star Mala Sinha says she wishes she could turn the clock back and be a heroine in present times, when the film industry has taken a huge leap technologically and there are awards galore.

The 76-year-old actress, who ruled the marquee in the '50s and '60s with her disarming smile, charm and performances, said, “I think the change (in the film industry) is for good. In our times, the filmmaking process was slow. Today, technology has improved a lot. I wish I were a heroine of today’s times, then it would have been fun,” Sinha told a press conference in Mumbai, after being chosen for Dadasaheb Phalke Academy Awards on Thursday night.

Another reason why Sinha wants to be a part of the industry today is the awards.

“I see awards on TV, every week there is some award



function happening. We used to get awards rarely; we used to wait eagerly to get Filmfare Award. But today, there are so many awards. I wish I were a heroine today and you all would see me getting award on every TV channel,” she jokingly said.

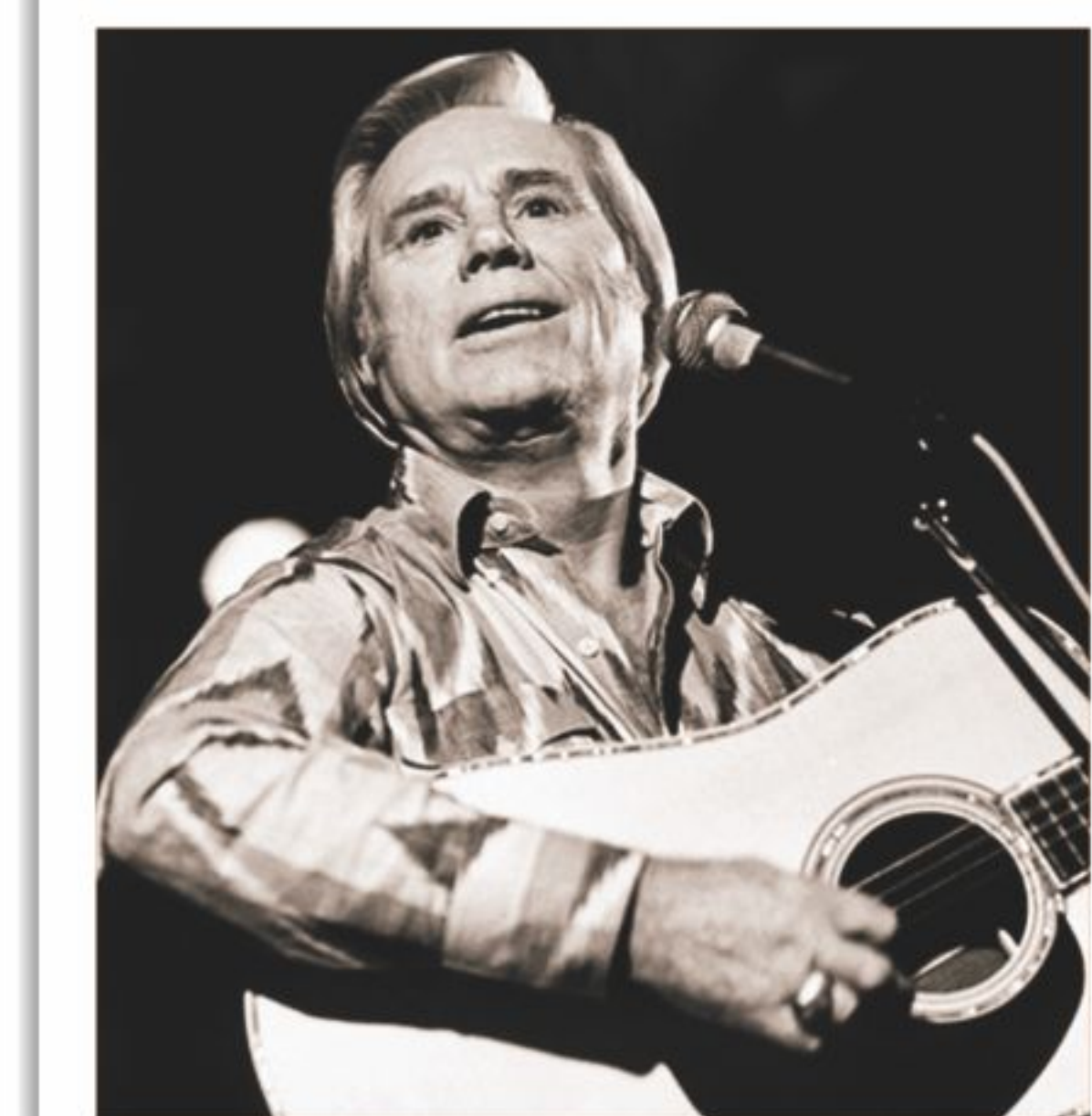
The veteran actress worked in Hindi, Bengali and Nepalese films. Recognised for her talent and beauty, she went on to become a popular leading actress in Hindi films from the early 1950s until the late 1970s.

Sinha has starred in over a hundred films; “Pyaasa” (1957), “Dhool Ka Phool” (1959), “Gumrah” (1963), “Aankhen” (1968) are some of her most notable works.

Sinha began her journey as a child artiste and played an innocent kid in numerous Bengali films, namely “Jog Biyog” and “Dhuli”.

“I did what directors asked me to do. I worked in a laid back way, without thinking of the camera. I think acting comes naturally; no one can teach you,” she added.

George Jones passes away



US country singer George Jones, who had a string of number one songs between the 1950s and 1990s, died at the age of 81 on Friday.

His publicist Kirt Webster said the Grammy-winning singer was admitted to hospital for fever and irregular blood pressure.

Known for his precise baritone and evocative voice, Jones’ signature song was “He Stopped Loving Her Today”, a track about love and death. Born in Texas on 12 September 1931, Jones played guitar for tips on the streets of Beaumont as a teenager before going on to serve in the US Marine Corps.

Jones had a string of top 10 songs during the 1960s and 1970s including “If Drinkin’ Don’t Kill Me, Her Memory Will”, “Window Up Above”, “She Thinks I Still Care”, “Good Year for the Roses” and “The Race Is On”.

SOURCE: BBC

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

BTV	12:35	Bangla Feature Film
10:30	07:35	Drama Serial: Thanar
01:00		Nam Shonir Akhra
02:00	09:05	Drama Serial: Oloshpur
	09:50	Thrupodi Kahini
09:30		Desh TV
ATN BANGLA	03:02	Gaan R Gaan
11:20	06:00	123 Sisimpur
06:15	07:45	Drama Serial: Saatkahon
08:40	09:45	Tribute to the Legend
		Maasranga Television
11:30	07:00	Ranga Shokal
	10:02	Bangla Feature Film
CHANNEL i	02:00	TM: Bangladesh Vs Zimbabwe (Live)
02:45		CHANNEL 9
05:30	09:00	Bangla Feature Film
09:35	08:15	Drama Serial: Nagorik
	09:00	Kobir Lorai
11:30	11:00	Deshar Tara

RADIO		
abc Radio FM 89.2	10:00	Morning Express
09:30	12:30	No Tension
05:30	04:00	Dhaka Calling
06:30	09:00	Full Volume
07:20	11:00	Back to Back music
07:45		RADIO TODAY FM 89.6
09:30	06:00	Green FM
11:10	08:00	Good Morning Dhaka
RADIO FOORTI	12:00	Today's Adda
07:30	04:00	U Turn

Megher Khuya
On ETV
at 10:10pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Sheli Ahshan, Shimana

Hugo
On HBO
at 09:30pm
Genre: Adventure/
Drama
Cast: Ben Kingsley, Asa Butterfield & Chloe Grace Moretz

Ebong Class-er Baire
On Banglavision
at 06:05pm
Magazine
Programme
Host: Zarin Shakila

ntv	08:45	Bangla Feature Film	CHANNEL 24	01:00	Beyond the Gallery
	04:10	Janar Achhey Bolar		06:20	Talk Show
		Achhey		09:10	Drama Serial: Ashin
	06:15	Shubho Shondhya	Gtv	10:45	Bangla Feature Film
	09:00	Tomakei khujche Bangladesh		05:40	G-World Week
ETV	03:30	Ekushey-er Business		08:10	Drama Serial: Poimanta
	04:30	Documentary: Jibon Brittey		12:00	Shongbad Shonglap
	06:30	Desh Jurey Oporadh Porikroma	Fox Movies	02:55	The Hunger Games
	10:10	Drama Serial: Megher Khuya		05:25	The Bounty Hunter
Boishakhi TV	10:15	Bangla Feature Film		07:15	Once Upon a Time
	05:15	Unnayon Shonglap		08:00	Da Vinci's Demons
	08:35	Spot Light	HBO		
	11:30	Drama Serial: Pathorer Kanna		06:20	Deuce Bigalow: Male Gigolo
BANGLAVISION	01:05	Bangla Feature Film		07:50	Ong Bak 2
	06:05	Ebong Class-er Baiery		09:30	Hugo
	08:15	Drama Serial: Ladies First	Star World	02:30	One Tree Hill
	11:25	Business Vision		07:30	The Big Bang Theory
Rtv				08:30	Arrow
				10:30	The Lincoln Lawyer
			Discovery Channel		
				04:30	Man vs. Wild

DRAMA SERIAL			
ATN BANGLA		Boishakhi TV	
10:55pm	Scandal	09:20pm	Ognipath
CHANNEL i		BANGLAVISION	
07:50pm	Noorjahan	09:05pm	Red Signal
ntv		Rtv	
08:15pm	Oghoton Ghoton	08:15pm	Apon Ghor
	Potiyoshi	Desh TV	
ETV		08:15pm	Radio Chocolate Reloaded
09:30pm	Pancho Premik		

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