



Omor Ekushey Book Fair  
Organiser: Bangla Academy  
Venue: Surawardy Udyan and  
Bangla Academy  
Date: Feb 1-28  
Time: 3pm-9pm

Film Festival  
Venue: National Art Gallery Auditorium, Shilpakala Academy  
Date: Feb 12-20  
Time: 3pm-7pm



Solo Art Exhibition  
Artist: Sanjib Datta  
Venue: Bengal Shilpala, H-42, R-16, Dhamondi  
Date: Feb 11-20  
Time: 12pm-8pm

Theatre Festival  
Organiser: Department of Theatre and Performance Studies  
Venue: TSC Auditorium, Dhaka University

Duet Art Exhibition  
Title: Dui Bangla  
Artists: Hashem Khan and Mohammad Iqbal  
Venue: Gallery Twenty One, Dhamondi  
Date: Feb 6-Mar 1

# Ekushey book fair

## Publication house Tamralipi is upbeat



AKM Tariqul Islam Roni

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Tamralipi is one of the most popular publication houses in the country with books for students, children and young adults. Besides novels, a number of books are available for aspirants to the Math Olympiad competition.

Tamralipi has published around 12 books penned by famed author Muhammad Zafar Iqbal. Under its produc-

tion, two of his books "Padartha Biganer Prothom Path" and "Bappar Bandhu" are available at this year's Ekushey Book Fair.

For this year, Tamralipi has published 60 books, including "Shimar Majhe Ashim Tumi" penned by Justice Mohammad Habibur Rahman; "Ekti Shonamoni" by litterateur Selina Hoossain; "Chhobi Soboi Tomar" by Hayat Mahmud; novel "Bhalo Laga Ebong Bahlobashar Golpo" by Anisul Haque; "Media Bichitra" by Muhammad Jahangir and "Bhuter Magic" by Rakib Hasan.

Tamralipi has published 300 books so far. It embarked on its journey with the publication of books on Mathematics and Science. It also published several books on Bangladesh Math Olympiad.

"Students have picked up many books published by Tamralipi. While mathematics was a tough subject for them earlier, thanks to the books they now enjoy the subject", said Tamralipi's publisher AKM Tariqul Islam Roni.

The publisher is optimistic about the Boimela as it is an event where a large number of readers and writers can freely mingle. He was also happy that the larger part of the fair is located at Suhravardy Udyan this year.

Likewise he is pleased at the soaring sales of books at the fair. Besides other writers, the sale of Zafar Iqbal's book has increased this year, he said. He wished the fair every success.

# Tagore musical soiree at National Museum



Mustapha Khalid Shahzia Islam

Rezaur Rahman Shreya Guhathakurta

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Dolvista Foundation recently organised a cultural programme at the main auditorium of Bangladesh National Museum in the capital. The programme featured a CD launch, musical soiree and recitation. Abul Khair, chairman, Bengal Foundation was present as guest at the programme and unveiled the CD of Tagore songs by Shreya Guhathakurta

of India. At the programme, paintings of Mustapha Khalid were handed to Shreya by the former cultural minister Abul Kalam Azad.

At the beginning, Mustapha Khalid Palash, Shahzia Islam and Rezaur Rahman rendered Tagore songs. Noted elocutionist Shimul Mustapha along with Tahsin Reza and Sharmi Mustapha recited poetry from the works of poets of different eras. A solo musical soiree was held by Shreya Guhathakurta followed.

# Bangladesh Nritya Shilpi Shongstha's elaborate programmes

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh Nritya Shilpi Shongstha has been working to promote dancing as an art since its inception. The organisation has taken initiatives to conduct dance workshop and Bulbul Fair in six divisional towns of the country to mark the birth anniversary of Natyacharya Bulbul Chowdhury. Like the previous years, this year Bangladesh Shilpkala Academy

has joined hands with Nritya Shilpi Shongstha to celebrate the day. The workshop, which began on February 11, is taking place simultaneously in six divisional towns and will end tomorrow. Dance exponents from Dhaka are imparting lessons to the participants on Monipuri, Lokonritya, Kathak, Bharat Natyam and other dance forms as part of the workshop. On February 14, the participants will celebrate dance festival in six towns in remembrance of Natyacharya Bulbul Chowdhury.

In addition, a seven-day workshop on Charyapada dance will take place next month. Bangladesh Shilpkala Academy and Nritya Shilpi Shongstha has jointly taken the initiative. Moreover, Bangladesh Nritya Shilpi Shongstha has taken elaborate programmes on April 29 to celebrate International Dance Day. Apart from this, the organisation, in association with Bangladesh Shilpkala Academy will arrange a seven-day dance festival in June. Minu Haque, president of Bangladesh Nritya Shilpi Shongstha expressed the hope that the initiatives will encourage the young generations and help spread dance throughout the country.

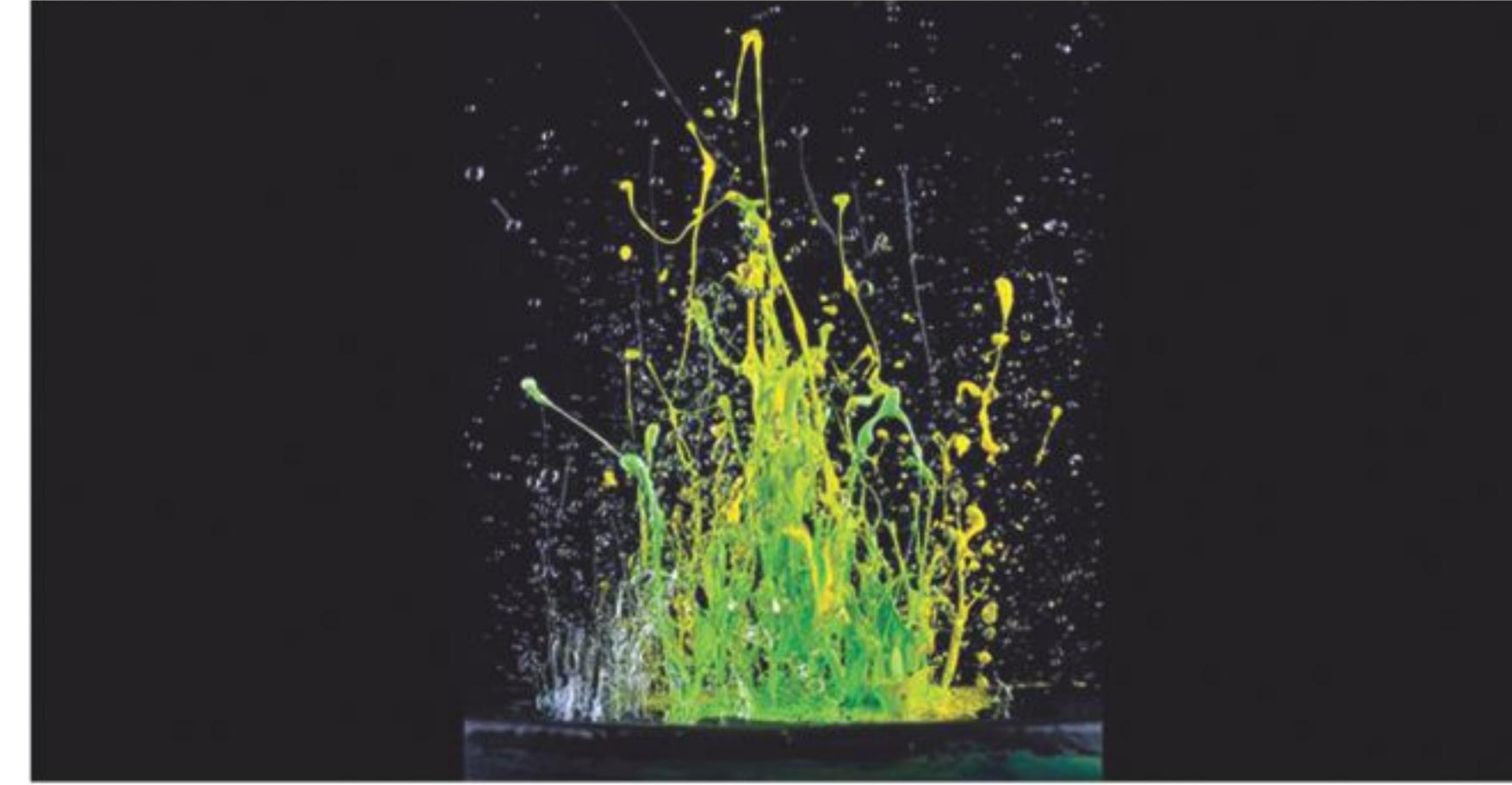
Minu Haque

# What Does Music Look Like?

"Sonic" is the latest project by German photographer Martin Klimas. Paint is put on top of a speaker and then music is played at full volume – creating explosions of colour. Klimas chooses percussive music from a range of genres, including jazz, classical, rock and dance. The camera captures the bubbling paint using very fast shutter speeds. "So many artists have worked with music but I never saw work that answered my main question: 'What does

music look like itself?" Klimas said in a 2012 interview. The project allows the viewer to compare the 'look' of different pieces of music. The vivid, action-packed photographs have been likened by some critics to the pioneering work of high-speed photography legend Harold Edgerton. "Sonic" opened this week at the Foley Gallery in New York and will run until November 3.

Source: BBC



# Takers of Surf Excel "Daag Theke Darun Golpo" Winners Prize

Multinational company Unilever Bangladesh's premier detergent brand, Surf Excel had launched a nationwide story writing competition called "Surf Excel-Daag Theke Darun Golpo". The objective of the campaign was to promote the idea that many wonderful stories can come out of stains. Over 15,000 submissions came in from all over the country.

On February 9, at the Spectra Convention Center in Dhaka, the winners of the competition were awarded their prizes. The chief judges of the contest, renowned novelist Anisul Haque and writer-cartoonist Ahsan Habib handed the prizes to the winners.

The award for the best story was won by Dilip Das (Narayanganj), Ms. Raheli Sharmi (Dhaka) and Ms. Asfia Azim (Dhaka) who have each won a trip with their families to Disneyland Hong Kong. Other prizes included; Galaxy Tab which was won by Ms. Marifun Nihar (Bagerhat) and Shila Parveen Suma (Gazipur); Washing Machine was awarded to Imran Al Amin (Dhaka), Md Ohabul Islam Khandker (Dhaka) and Sharat Whamia Nobobi (Dhaka); and a full year's supply was won by Shahan Akter (Dhaka) and Enamul Haque (Dhaka).

The top 10 stories are being sequentially published every week in Prothom Alo's Friday supplement Collachhut.



Ahsan Habib (L) and Anisul Hoque with the awardee (C).

# The Daily Star hosts "Gaane Mo'r Kon Indrodhonu" Celebrating Suchitra Sen in Spring



STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Following a huge response from music enthusiasts, The Daily Star (TDS) is set to organise a special musical tribute to legendary actress Suchitra Sen yet once more. The event -- to be held at the AS Mahmud Seminar Hall of The Daily Star Centre at 6:30pm on February 13, to celebrate the advent of Spring on Pahela Phalgun -- will have a repeat performance by singers who captivated music lovers at Bangladesh Shilpkala Academy on January 30.

Noted artistes Fahim Hossain Chowdhury, Iftaf Ara Nargis, Ferdous Ara, Parveen Sultana, Nasima Shaheen Fancy, Aniruddha Sengupta and Munir Chowdhury will perform selected songs from films in which Mahaniyaka Suchitra Sen played a lead role.

Those interested to enjoy the event may contact the Administration Department of The Daily Star on 9144330 (Hunting) or 8124944 between 11am-5pm to book their places, on the basis of accommodation availability. Seats are limited.

# Indian Assistant High Commissioner accorded farewell reception

PRANABESH CHAKRABORTY, Chittagong

On the occasion of a farewell reception to Indian Assistant High Commissioner Somnath Gosh, a cultural evening was held at District Shilpkala Academy auditorium in the port city on February 7.

Proma Abrittib Sanghatan organised the programme where eminent personalities, educationists, renowned artistes of the port city were present.

Chaired by Proma president Rashed Hasan, among those who spoke at the programme were Chittagong University Vice-Chancellor Anwarul Azim Arif, local daily Doinik Azadi editor MA Malek, and a martyr's spouse, writer Mustari Shafi.

The speakers said that the Assistant High Commissioner was a popular figure among the cultural troupes of the port city because of his unstinting support to them. Later, several cultural organisations and eminent personalities honoured the Assistant High Commissioner with bouquets and crests.

The programme ended with a cultural show featuring solo and group recitations and rendition of songs. Artistes of Raktakarobi and Proma performed at the programme.



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