

<p>WHAT'S ON</p>	<p>Painting Exhibition Title: Emerged From Unknown VI Organiser: HANS Venue: Drik Gallery Date: November 7-14 Time: 3pm-8pm</p> 	<p>Photography Exhibition Celebrating Life Chapter II Organiser: BMSS Venue: Drik Gallery Date: Nov 26-27 Time: 3-8pm</p> 	<p>Theatre Play: Raktakarabi Troupe: Prangoney Mor Venue: National Theatre Hall, Shilpakala Academy Date: November 13 Time: 7pm</p> 	<p>Solo Art Exhibition Artist: Syed Hasan Mahmud Venue: Bengal Shilpalaya, Dhanmondi Date: Oct 24-Nov 15 Time: 12-8pm</p> 	<p>Album Launch Artist: Karim Hasan Khan Venue: AS Mahmud Auditorium, The Daily Star Centre, 64-65, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue Date: November 14 Time: 5pm</p> 
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NEWS bytes

Harry Belafonte handed honorary Oscar



A host of stars turned out to see four cinematic veterans honoured at the Governor's Awards in Los Angeles. Actor-musician Harry Belafonte, Irish actress Maureen O'Hara, Japanese director Hayao Miyazaki and French screenwriter Jean-Claude Carriere were celebrated at the event.

Belafonte was given the Jean Hersholt Humanitarian Award for his activism. The 87-year-old was a prominent civil rights campaigner and friend of Martin Luther King Jr, who he helped financially support during his fight against segregation.

The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences also handed lifetime awards to Miyazaki, O'Hara and Carriere. Miyazaki, 73, has been Oscar nominated three times for his dark animations, winning the animated feature award in 2002 for "Spirited Away". Although O'Hara, 94, never received an Oscar nomination during her career she appeared in many much-loved films including "Our Man in Havana", "The Parent Trap" and "The Quiet Man", which won director John Ford an Academy Award.

Jean-Claude Carriere is a prolific screenwriter who has worked on films in many languages including French, German and English.

A STANDOUT EXHIBITION
"Reflection of Spirit" at DAC



FAYZA HAQ

Mukaddas Shadi Ahmed 's works are different from anything seen in today in contemporary art, says Professor Rokeya Sultana, a well known artist in her own right. The scenario dealing with Mecca, Medina, Kaba Sharif, Jannat, the Azmir Sharif shrine of Khwaja Mainuddin Chishti is a far cry from others.

This weeklong exhibition of Mukaddas at the Dhaka Art Centre (DAC) began on November 7. Rabiul Hussain, poet and architect, says in "Reflection of Spirit" one learns about Sufism. His colours and use of dots and lines are new, fresh and meaningful, says Rabiul.

Mughul Art, miniature and Persian art dealt with religion, as did Renaissance art of Europe, said Professor Rashid Amin of UODA, at the inauguration. He was hard-working and did not have any other source of income except for his painting, said Rashid Amin.

Acting Dean of the Faculty of Fine

Arts, DU, Abul Barq Alvi said that in his work Mukaddas has combined his love for calligraphy with an Islamic perspective. Most of his work was etchings of lithography, said the printmaker.

Syed Manzoorul Islam said that Mukkadas combines Sufism with symbolism and realistic details. He respects the rich symbolism of Christianity too, being a student of St Gregory's. Sometimes his prints appear somewhat cluttered -- but generally they are clean and beautiful, said Islam.

In one of Mukaddas' work, a man is at prayer. The piece is decorated with flowers and new leaves as they are symbols of hope.

Another print by Mukkadas has an arch with motifs on the lithograph. This depicts a mausoleum of a great Muslim saint. Devotees are shown as sitting in front.

Yet another print contains Arabic phrases in intaglio. The man inside the calligraphy is done by hand with black ink, and one has a Kazi Nazrul Islam ghazal inscribed, for all to enjoy.



Sweetey returning to TV with 'Virus'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

After a long time, Tanvin Sweetey is acting in a drama serial. Shooting of the drama serial, named "Virus" has already been finished at different locations in Gazipur. Sweetey is playing the lead role in the drama, directed by Anjan Aich. The play also casts Tauquir Ahmed, Mishu Sabbir, Faruk Ahmed and others.

Sweetey was one of the most popular television faces of the small screen during the late 90s and early 2000s, but nowadays she only sparingly works in TV plays. Besides television dramas, the actress is also involved in theatre. Recently she appeared in "Mukti", directed by Tropa Majumdar.

UJAN GANGER NAIYA
to return next year



Shooting of the second series of drama "Ujan Ganger Naiya" began last week in Cox's Bazar. The drama, produced by BBC Media Action Bangladesh with funds from the UK's Department for International Development, aims at improving maternal and neonatal health in Bangladesh.

This new drama will air on BTV early next year. Filled with authentic and powerful characters, "Ujan Ganger Naiya" is expected to have wider reach than the first series -- that reached to more than 30 million viewers. The new series is set in a coastal village and will depict a dramatic story of family life affected by crime, love and the daily struggles of a fishing community, says a press release.

Written by Rafikul Islam Poltu and Shubhashish Sinha, the series is being directed by Bashar Georgis. The cast includes Orchita Sponshia, Riaz, Farhana Mili, Tariq Anam Khan, Shatabdi Wadud, Lutfor Rahman George, Titash Zia and others.

Matt Damon to play Jason Bourne again



Following the release of The Bourne Ultimatum in 2007, star Matt Damon told reporters that he had no plans to return to the franchise unless director Paul Greengrass was planning to do the same. Because the English director wanted to pursue other interests, Damon kept to his word and didn't star in 2012's The Bourne Legacy. The landscape has changed in the year since, however, and now the Oscar-winning actor has confirmed he will be back for the next Bourne chapter, along with his number one choice director.

Word of negotiations between Matt Damon and Paul Greengrass leaked out this past September, but now the star has personally confirmed not only that he will be back, but when. With Damon and buddy Ben Affleck recently walking the red carpet celebrating the resurrection of their series Project Greenlight, Magazine "E!" took the opportunity to ask about the future of Bourne, and the series star revealed that a deal has been made.

The "Untitled Next Bourne Chapter" - or simply "Bourne 5" - is currently locked in for a July 15, 2016 release date, but there remains a big question regarding what that means for the future of Jeremy Renner's Bourne character, Aaron Cross. Renner certainly isn't lacking in franchises these days - as he remains heavily active as Hawkeye in the Marvel Cinematic Universe and he is returning as Brandt in Christopher McQuarrie's currently-in-production "Mission: Impossible 5" - but it's also pretty hard to believe that Universal would just be dumping that half of the series. The best bet right now is that fans will either get a Renner-centric Bourne movie at another point in the near future, or Renner's character will be joining up with Matt Damon's in the next film.

Kalki hopeful of working with Anurag Kashyap someday

Actress Kalki Koechlin says she is still good friends with estranged husband Anurag Kashyap. She is also hoping to work with the filmmaker someday.

"We still are very good friends. We still have something which nobody can take it away from us. We still have creative understanding and a lot of respect for each other. Hopefully we will work together someday," Kalki told reporters in a group interview.

The filmmaker was instrumental in launching Kalki in Hindi films with his 2009 critically acclaimed and commercially successful directorial venture "Dev D", and two years later, married his protegee.

However they announced their separation last November. After the continuous questions about her life, Kalki says she now prefers not to discuss her personal life on public platforms.

"Personal life has become personal for me. I have learnt that your life can't be public and some things you learn later. I have been open about my personal life but lot of people get hurt so it's better to keep quiet," she said.

"It's important not to react. I should be in limelight and people should appreciate and respect that," she added.

The actress is promoting her latest film "Happy".



One Direction, Katy Perry, Ariana Grande win big at MTV EMAs

One Direction swept with five awards in total at the 20th annual MTV European Music Awards on Sunday night, winning televised awards as Best Pop, Best Live and Biggest Fans. The group, who wasn't in attendance, thanked the Directioners for their support through a pre-recorded message. The show took place in Glasgow, Scotland.

Ariana Grande kicked off the show with a performance of her hits "Problem", and "Break Free". She strutted back on stage to accept the award for Best Song for "Problem".

Host of the night Nicki Minaj made a grand entrance by floating down on to the stage, in a two-piece grey ensemble and combat boots.

Katy Perry, who won for Best Look and Best Video (for "Dark Horse") made a special appearance through a pre-recorded message. Justin Bieber and Linkin Park also thanked fans for their wins through pre-recorded messages. Bieber won for Best Male Artiste, while Linkin Park won for Best Rock Artiste.

Minaj took a break from her hosting duties to accept the award for



Best Hip-Hop, beating out Drake, Kanye West, Eminem and Iggy Azalea, for her song "Anaconda".

Beyoncé, who wasn't in attendance, won Best Song with a Message for her emotional "Pretty Hurts".

Ed Sheeran crooned "Thinking Out Loud" while acrobatic dancers slid around him. Enrique Iglesias, who won the award for Best World Stage performance earlier in the night, performed "I'm a Freak" and "Bailando", while U2 performed "Every Breaking Wave".

Grande won her second award

for Best Female. 5 Seconds of Summer won two back to back awards: Best Push and Best New, while Thirty Second to Mars won for Best Alternative.

Alicia Keys took to the piano to perform her latest single, "We Are Here".

Slash, Myles Kennedy, Simon Neil and the Conspirators closed the MTV EMAs with a tribute to the Global Icon, Ozzy Osbourne. Slash honoured the legendary Osbourne the Global Icon award earlier in the night.



Enrique performs at the event (top); Slash honours Ozzy (L) and Nicki Minaj hosts the ceremony.



"Spirit of Annapurna" at Gallery Cosmos-2

A CORRESPONDENT

A fifteen-day group art exhibition titled "Spirit of Annapurna" opened on Saturday at Gallery Cosmos-2 in the capital. Eminent cultural personality Aly Zaker inaugurated the exhibition as chief guest. Noted artists Monirul Islam, Kalidas Karmakar and Alakesh Ghosh were also present at the occasion.

Some 31 paintings of 10 artists will be displayed at the exhibition, including Rezaun Nabi, Afrozaa Jamil Konka, Sohana Shahreen, Mahabubul Islam Baabu, Maqsuma Iqbal Nipa, Bipasha Hayat, Nazia Andaleeb Preema, Gazi Mosaddaqr Rahman Sajal, Fahmida Khatun and Golam Faruque Swapan.

The exhibition remains open daily from 11am to 7pm till November 22.