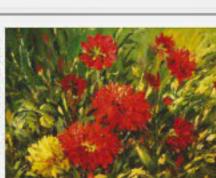
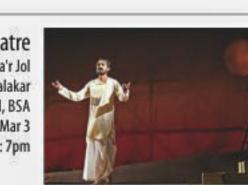
Solo painting exhibition Artist: Laila Anjuman Ara Title: Joy of Nature Venue: Alliance Francais de Dhaka Date: Feb 27-March 9 Time: 3pm-9pi

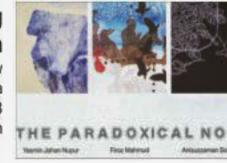


Theatre Bangla'r Mati Bangla'r Jol Troupe: Palakar Venue: National Theatre Hall, BSA Date: Mar 3 Time: 7pm



Exhibition Venue: Bengal Shilpalay

Rosy Siddiqui: "lam





At the age of 11 Jessica Alba won an acting competition in Beverly Hills, one whose grand prize was free acting classes. She won and soon was taking the first acting classes of her life. Jessica's acting career took off at the early age of 13, when she was cast in "Camp Nowhere" and in "The Secret World of Alex Mack". When her career started to take off, Alba studied hard and managed to graduate from Claremont High School at age 16. She was actually kidnapped after having received telephone threats during the production of "Flipper". She was found unharmed in the trunk of a car. Jessica is an avid swimmer and certified





Artistes perform at the programme.

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Artistes of Chhayanaut ushered in Spring, the king of all seasons, with song renditions and dance recitals at its main auditorium on the evening of February 27.

Spring was hailed with a solo drut khayal performance set on Raga "Basant" by Chhayanaut Guru Asit Dey. Dey diffused the colours of spring through his rendition.

Several dancers, colourfully attired, performed to a Tagore song "Neel Digantey". The performance, evoking the season of flowers, symbolised youth, grace and love. Among the featured dancers Sudeshna Swayamprabha shone bright

with dance mudras with enamoured expressions.

Chhayanaut artistes danced to several live presentations of Tagore songs -- "Ore Bhai Phagun Legechhe Bon-e Bon-e", "Aji Dokhin Duar Khola", "Bosontey Phul Ganthlo" and "Dokhin Hawa Jago Jago" -that were a treat for music aficionados. Mahua Manjuri Sunanda's offering of a romantic Tagore song "E Ki Labonye" inspired rapture and celebration of life while Latifun Julio rendered a Kazi Nazrul Islam composition "Elo Oi Bonantey Pagol Boshonto". The rendition reminded one of a strong southern breeze crisscrossing the woods.

Gripping the precise mood of a ghazalang song "Phul Phaguner Elo Morshum" of our National Poet, Bizon Chandra Mistry beautifully performed the number while Suman Majumder presented another Nazrul song "Kuhu Kuhu Koyelia".

PHOTO: RIDWAN ADID RUPON

Farhana Aktar Shirley fantastically performed a DL Roy song "Ayre Bosanto" at the event. The kirtan-ang song was based on a melodious Raga Khamaj.

Nadira Begum and Erfan Hossain performed two folk songs while Kalpana Anam, Elora Ahmed Shukla and Kanchan Mostafa also rendered solo songs composed by Kazi Nazrul Islam, Atul Prasad Sen and Rabindranath Tagore.

hopeful of doing more movies with Goutam Ghose" A CORRESPONDENT Versatile actress Rosy Siddiqui has not only proven herself

on the silver screen but also has two-and-a-half decades in theatre behind her. The highly talented artiste recently had a chat with The Daily Star, about her professional and personal life.

Any new movies for you on the horizon?

Rosy: Twenty two years after doing "Padma Nadir Majhi" with Goutam Ghose, I am playing a small role in his new film "Shonkhochil". The shooting begins in Satkhira around March 20. I don't know if this will be my last movie with Goutam Ghose, but I am hopeful that it won't be so.

Why do you prefer theatre?

Rosy: It gives a person the freedom to act the way they want, or be what they want to be. I will never compromise on my love for theatre. I am even ready to fight with my husband for this proclivity (laughs).

What do you usually do on weekends? Rosy: To be honest, for the last one year, I haven't even had a weekend. I have a daughter who will be appearing



very essential to be around a child, especially during such times. Their entire future rests on this. Moreover, the political situation in the country has left me with no choice, but to be with her constantly whenever she is going out for her classes.

Is it hard for you to balance family and your professional life?

Rosy: I give full-time attention to my family, and whatever time I have left after that is dedicated to my profession. I love working in theatre even more so than on the screen. I work in the media because I like it. I keep my professional

suggest that they go to cinema industry. Bappa bhaia has worked halls to watch the film." very hard to make a film with a difference," he said. The film actor has also done the and personal lives separate, as I am a mother of two. Nipun said, "Even though screenplay while the dialogues are

The film is a dream project for

"Kartuz" will release under the banner of Rajlakhsmi Films.

TV WATCH Meghborno Holdey Golpo on ntv



A CORRESPONDENT

by Sajjad Sonny, the play

Single episode TV play "Meghborno Holdey Golpo" will air on ntv at 9pm tonight. Written by Shetu Arif and directed



Bapparaj's directorial debut 'Kartuz' hits theatres on March 6

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Popular film actor Bapparaj makes his debut as director with "Kartuz". The film will release in over 60 theatres across the country on March 6. "Kartuz" also features late director Chashi Nazrul Islam in the cast.

Bapparaj said, "The film is far from the stereotypical Bangla film that audiences are tired of. I would written by Chhotku Ahmed based on Bappa's storyline.

The film casts Samrat, Nipun, Sohan Khan and newcomer Farzana Rikta in the lead roles.

Actor Samrat is optimistic about success of the new film. "We will bring about a change in our film

Bapparaj is new as a director he has skills that he inherited from working with his father over a long time."

debutant Rikta who is hoping for a big hit.



NEWS bytes

New Fantastic Four images emerge

Four new Fantastic Four images have landed online, giving fans a more detailed look at the team's rather practical costumes.

The stills feature Kate Mara as Sue Storm, Miles Teller as Reed Richards, Michael B Jordan as Johnny Storm, and

Jamie Bell - un-costumed - as Ben Grimm.

Last year, Jordan told IGN that Josh Trank's version of Fantastic Four will be 'grounded', and the images certainly suggest that's the case.

Source: IGN



... Lisa Ray

Actor Lisa Ray may have had a successful acting career with critically-acclaimed films including "Water" (2005) and international TV shows such as "Blood Ties" to her credit, but the 42-year-old says that she has matured as a performer only after she battled cancer six years back. Ray underwent treatment for Multiple Myloma in 2009. The actor says that she's a calmer person now and not in a rush to prove

"To a certain extent, I believe that ever since my treatment got over, I have opened up more, creatively. I am more self-conscious now. I am not in any kind of a rush anymore and I am much more relaxed. I have matured a lot as an actor. In fact I am a damn good actor now," says an upbeat Ray, laughing.

herself.

Source: Hindustan Times

Bollywood and TV shows apart, the "Kasoor" actor is also quite optimistic about her stint in theatre. In fact, she was recently seen in a play in Canada alongside actor Kabir Bedi. "I love doing theatre, and doing this play with Kabir Bedi was a wonderful experience," says Ray, adding that she's also looking forward to

another special act with Sanjay Suri.

Imran Khan hails Kangana Ranaut Bollywood star Imran Khan is having a "positive experience" filming "Katti Batti", thanks to

Kangana Ranaut. "I am having so much fun on this film because I am working with Kangana for the first time and she is just so wonderful to work with," Imran said at Filmfare Glamour & Style Awards red carpet.

his "wonderful co-star"

"Besides, I am working for the first time with Nikhil Advani as well and he is a great director. I am having a very positive experience on this film," he added.

"Katti Batti" is being tagged as an unusual love story that features Kangana and Imran as a couple.

Talking about the remaining schedule of the film, Imran said, "We are almost done with the film. The film is releasing in September".

Source: Indian Express
