Mongol Shobhajatra Venue: Charukala, Dhaka University Date: April 14



Group Art Exhibition Jatra - by contemporary Bangladeshi women artists Venue: Gallery Twenty One Date: Mar 28-Apr 12 Time: 12-8pm



Group Art Exhibition The Sweet Taste of Liberty Venue: Athena Gallery of fine Date: March 28 to April 20 Time: 10am-8pm



Ed Sheeran sings with Sesame Street gang

Ed Sheeran has been on Sesame Street performing a song that is not one of his usual hits. This year's double Brit awards winner made the appearance on the children's TV show singing an educational

Ed filmed the programme back in October 2013. But it has taken until now for bosses



to unveil his performance of Two Different Worlds with Elmo, Grover and the

The pop song teaches children about the different rules for when talking at home or in school.

The Muppets sing along with Ed as he plays his guitar.

IT'S TRUE!



Josquin des Prez was a Netherlandish composer of the Renaissance era, and is widely considered by music scholars to be the first master of the high Renaissance style of polyphonic vocal music that was emerging during his lifetime. During the 16th century, Josquin gradually acquired the reputation as the greatest composer of the age, his mastery of technique and expression universally imitated and admired. Yet in spite of Josquin's colossal reputation, which endured until the beginning of the Baroque era and was revived in the 20th century, his biography is shadowy, and next to nothing is known about his personality. The only surviving work which may be in his own hand is a graffito on the wall of the Sistine Chapel. The lives of dozens of minor composers of the Renaissance are better documented than the life of

Josquin.

Chanchal: An actor on the go

SHAH ALAM SHAZU

Chanchal Chowdhury, who set on his career as a theatre artiste transfixes viewers whenever he is on the small screen. A National Film Award winner, his film "Moner Manush" directed by Gautom Ghosh propelled him to fame. He recently signed up for a new film. The Daily Star talked to the celebrity about the film and other upcoming assignments.

Tell us about your new film...

Chanchal Chowdhury: Titled "Ainabaji", the film is directed by Amitab Reza. Here I play the role of Aina, who will be seen studying on film. Although his subject is acting, he is far from being a stage or TV actor. He basically loves acting in real life and experimenting with life. I will take on a new look in the film, which comes on the heels of my last film "Television" made by Mostofa Sarwar Farooqi. What stage is the film at?

Chanchal Chowdhury: Everything is now on the go. Soon, we will run a pre-shooting assignment. We are doing workshops now. Shooting for the film will

finally begin next month. I'm well prepared for my

What does your career graph look like? Chanchal Chowdhury: I've signed up the movie after two years. My first project was "Rupkathar Galpo", then "Manpura", "Moner Manush", "Televi-

sion" and now "Ainabaji". What kept you from doing more films after the release of blockbuster "Monpura"?

Chanchal Chowdhury: The film earned me immense fame and I was recognised with the National Film Award. After its success, I was offered roles in over 100 movies but I rejected all the offers because the plots were weak. Besides, I was not satisfied with the credentials of the filmmaker.



What is your experience of working with Amitab Reza?

Chanchal Chowdhury: He is an acclaimed TVC maker. He was looking for an accomplished actor for a long time. Finally he selected me for a role in his film. It is great to work with him.

You recently appeared in a TVC?

Chanchal Chowdhury: I did an ad under the direction of Mostofa Sarwar Farooki around 10 years ago. Under his direction, this time I've appeared in a TV commercial for Danish Condensed Milk. Apart from this, I did two other TVCs directed by TW Sainik.

Why the low profile in Salahuddin Lavlu's plays?

Chanchal Chowdhury: I last worked with him in the mega serial "Har Kipta "three years ago. After a long break, I'm going to act in his new drama serial this month. Titled "Pear Alir Peari", the serial is scripted by Brindaban Das and I play the role of Pear

How many years in the profession?

Chanchal Chowdhury: I've been in theatre for the last 17 years. I started my career with Arannak Nattodal and still keep in touch with the theatre troupe. Currently, I'm busy with TV plays and cinema.

Countdown to Pahela Boishakh

Boishakhi Art camp at FFA of Dhaka University

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

...... Pahela Boishakh (first day of the Bengali year), the biggest celebration in secular Bengal, is just days away. One of the hubs of the Boishakhi celebration in the city --Faculty of Fine Art of University of Dhaka -- is abuzz with preparations. The Mongol Shobha Jatra brought out by the students and teachers of Faculty of Fine Art (FFA) of Dhaka University is one of the major attractions of the Boishakhi celebration in Dhaka.

The theme for the year is "Onek Alo Jalte Hobe Moner Ondhokare". Mongol Shobha Jatra will start at around 9am on Pahela



A nostalgic Bipasha Hayat comes to FFA to work alongside students engaged in preparations for Pahela Boishakh.



FFA teachers, students and renowned artists put finishing touches on paintings and other decorative pieces.

Boishakh.

What draws one's attention are the huge bamboo frames which students are busy working on. They are working on replicas of a royal elephant delineating Jamini Roy's famous folk motif, a folk tiger, colourful birds, fish, a big tepa putul, goats, and a horse -which will be among the main attractions.

FFA students are raising funds for the Mongol Shobha Jatra through the sale of watercolour paintings, lokkhishora, shokher

hari, traditional terracotta gifts, masks and more. At the FFA premises students can be seen working on the paintings, traditional pottery and several other decorative pieces.

At an art camp at Zainul Gallery and FFA premises, renowned artists and teachers of FFA are taking part, boosting the number of paintings themed on Boishakh. Dean of FFA Professor Nisar Hossain, artist Biren Shome, Professor Shishir Bhattacharya, Mohammad Iqbal, Rashid Amin,

Bipasha Hayat, Anisuzzaman Anis, Aloptogin Tushar, Bishwajit Goswami and others are making paintings for the art camp.

"It feels heavenly working at Charukala. It is always joyous to be here every time and I get nostalgic about my student days," said Bipasha Hayat.

The sale is open from 10am to 10pm every day and will continue till Pahela Boishakh.

Prices of beautiful watercolour paintings, shora, masks, ornaments and many other crafts are comparatively low. Art lovers can pick up paintings from the open

A fundraising art exhibition featuring works of noted Bangladeshi artists and FFA teachers will open at Zainul Gallery of FFA and continue till Pahela Boishakh (April 14). Like every year the students will paint the walls of FFA marking Pahela Boishakh.

Apart from the grand rally, a cultural programme will be held at Bakultala of FFA. Folk-themed cultural performances with Baul songs will dominate the event. A jatrapala will also be held at FFA premises the next day.

Chup Kotha on SATV

A CORRESPONDENT

Drama serial "Chup Kotha" goes on air on SATV every Monday and Tuesday at 8pm. Written by Matia Banu Shuku and directed by Nazrul Islam Raju, the serial is about Brishti, a young girl who goes to Cyclone Sidr affected areas to help people. In an unexpected twist, Brishti comes back home with a girl child who has the power of prophecy.

Nisha, Swagota, Azad Abul Kalam, Pavel, Sweety, Joyraj, Saberi Alam, Mahmud Sazzad, Kumkum Hasan and others are in the cast.

Pahela Boishakh means a new avatar for Habib

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Popular singer Habib Wahid is all set to surprise his audience with his new avatar in a music video on Pahela Boishakh. Directed by Tanim Rahman Ongshu, the video has been shot in the capital.

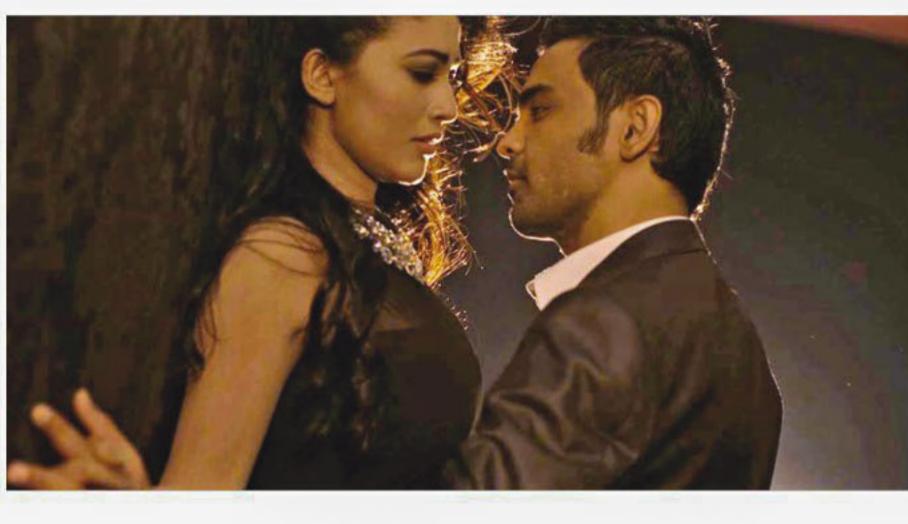
Peya Bipasha will be seen in the music video alongside Habib, sharing romantic long." screen space.

Habib is very optimistic about it, and hopes that the audience will like it. He was earlier seen in many music videos but

none of them featured the singer as a romantic hero. Habib recently shared a still picture

from the video on his Facebook page where he wrote, "Let romance be redefined this year! I am ready to do that. Are you ready? Something special is coming for you all and I promise the wait won't be too

However, he didn't disclose anything about the title of the song or the video. Habib wants to surprise his audience on Bangla New Year.



Berklee College of Music starts A R RAHMAN SCHOLARSHIP

Berklee College of Music in Boston, US, has instituted a scholarship programme in musician A R Rahman's name.

The Oscar winner said that he was overwhelmed by Berklee College of Music's scholarship which will fund one Indian student studying any discipline - jazz, western, western classical or Carnatic or Hindustani. "We want this institution

exchange to open minds and create magic," said Rahman at an event held at his K M Music Conservatory on Friday to announce the scholarship programme.

The students of Sunshine Orchestra -- a music education programme for underprivileged children at K M Music Conservatory -- were also honoured during Friday's event.

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Quiz No-02: 1. What is the character name of Vin diesel in Furious 7? 2. Who is the director of Furious 7?