

WHAT'S ON

Borshoboron 1422
Organiser: Chhayanaut
Venue: Ramna Botomul, Dhaka
Date: April 14
Time: 6am



Solo Art Exhibition
Title: Destination & Departure
Artist: Professor Monsur Ul Karim
Venue: Galleri Kaya, H-20, Rd-16, Sec-4, Uttara
Date: Apr 11-21
Time: 11am-8pm



Mongol Shobhajatra
Venue: Charukala, Dhaka University
Date: April 14
Time: 9am



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 arts
Date: March 28 to April 20
Time: 10am-8pm



IT'S TRUE!

Apart from being a successful actor and film producer, Australian star Nicole Kidman is also a singer. Her collaboration with Ewan McGregor on "Come What May" peaked at No.27 in the UK Singles Chart. Later she collaborated with Robbie Williams on "Somethin' Stupid", a cover of Williams' swing covers album "Swing When You're Winning". It peaked at No.8 in the Australian ARIAnet Singles Chart, and at No.1 for three weeks in the UK. In 2006,



while voicing a role in the animated movie "Happy Feet", she provided vocals for Norma Jean's "heartsong", a slightly altered version of "Kiss" by Prince. Kidman sang in Rob Marshall's movie musical "Nine". Her current husband Keith Urban is an acclaimed country singer, and the two have occasionally sung on-stage.



AMINUL ISLAM, Mymensingh

Images of different traditional birds, animals, decorated pots and different musical instruments are being made at the department premises to add more colour to the procession. Head of Fine Arts Department, Tapon Kumar Sarker, Safin Omar, Masum Hawlader and Nagarbasi Barmon are guiding the students as they prepare for the festival. "We have included more items this year," said Tapon Kumar, while the teachers said that the festivities are meant to shake off the hurdles of the previous year and impart new spirit.

Students of Fine Arts Department will also organise a "Fanush Festival", and "Aatashbaji" marking 'Chaitra Sankranti', the last day of current Bengali Year-1421. Meanwhile, a day long programme marking the celebrations include traditional games and sports, a play by Natyakala Department artistes; and a musical soiree by Music Department artistes of the university. "We hope that people of all communities will participate in the New Year celebrations," said Professor Mohit Ul Alam, vice-chancellor of the university.

Preparations for Pahela Boishakh at JKKNIU get underway

The Fine Arts Department students of Jatiya Kabi Kazi Nazrul Islam University (JKKNIU) in Trishal are busy gearing up for the traditional Pahela Boishakh procession to bid farewell to the previous year and welcome Bengali New Year-1422.



Suchitra Sen's 84th birth anniversary observed in Pabna

AHMED HUMAYUN KABIR TOPU, Pabna

Legendary film actress Suchitra Sen's 84th birth anniversary was observed in Pabna amidst festivity on April 6. Suchitra Sen Smrity Shangrakhhan Parishad organised a discussion and cultural programme at the Pabna Press Club auditorium on Sunday. Suchitra Sen enriched Bangla cinema with her outstanding acting prowess during her lifetime, and even after her death, she is inspiring generations, speakers said at the programme. Suchitra was born on April 6, 1931 at her grandfather's home at Vangabari of Belkuchi upazila under the then greater Pabna (now Sirajganj), but her first home was in Pabna's Gopalpur, her father Karunamoy Dasgupta's house.



Salauddin Lavlu busy with "PIYAR ALIR PIYARI"

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Though Salauddin Lavlu is adept as both actor and director, he is now focusing on direction. The actor-director is working on a new six-episode television play which will go on air during the upcoming Eid-ul-fitr. Written by Brindabon Das, the play, "Piyar

Alir Piyari", is currently being shot in Pubail. The comedy casts Chanchal Chowdhury, Shahnaz Khushi, Pran Roy, AKM Hasan and others. About the play, Salauddin Lavlu said, "I am working on Brindabon Das' script and with actor Chanchal Chowdhury after almost three years. Shooting for the play will hopefully finish today."

NEWS bytes

'Furious 7' Debuts to \$384 m Globally

"Furious 7" left all its competitors in the dust with a scorching global debut of \$384 million. The latest installment in the "Fast and Furious" franchise kicked off in 63 international markets, as well as the US and Canada. It marked Universal Pictures' biggest wide release ever, unspooling in 14,009 theaters around the world, including Imax and large format locations. It ranks as the fourth highest-grossing global



opening in history behind "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows", "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince" and "The Avengers". "Furious 7" shattered records, becoming the biggest Easter opening in history, the highest-ever April debut. Universal's largest opening, the best result for all of the film's castmembers, an April record for Imax and a record for premium large-format screens. Source: Variety

Bollywood stars walk the ramp for Shabana Azmi's NGO



It was a picture perfect moment when members from Bollywood's A-list families including the Bachchans, Shatrughan Sinha and daughter Sonakshi, Anil Kapoor and daughter Sonam, Javed Akhtar and son Farhan walked the ramp for actress Shabana Azmi's annual Mijwan fashion extravaganza. The occasion, which marked the completion of four years in the journey of Azmi's NGO Mijwan Welfare Society, showcased creations by ace Indian designer Manish Malhotra. Amitabh Bachchan, his wife Jaya, their daughter Shweta and son Abhishek walked the ramp on April 4, colour coordinated in black, white and red. Other celebrities who marked their presence at the event included Aditi Rao Hydari, Sophie Choudry, Tanvi Azmi, Sahukat Azmi, Adhuna Akhtar and Richa Chadda. Shabana Azmi said the annual initiative had empowered women in Uttar Pradesh and has made them "unfettered and unafraid."

Source: NDTV



LOTUS BAZAAR: THE SOUTH ASIAN JOURNEY

KAVITA, New Delhi

South Asia is famed for its exotic arts and crafts. The recent Lotus Bazaar, organised by the Asian Heritage Foundation, in Delhi was proof enough that South Asia's repute is more than fabled. Small cooperatives, home based workers, NGOs, artisans and designers from South Asian countries had four field days to show off their best products—ranging from palate-tickling spices and organic foods, to colourful home accessories, easy on the eye attire, art and other bric-a-brac. Meanwhile, curious crowds milled around musicians from Rajasthan and Bengal or headed for

the food festival called Sanjha Chulha that offered the best cuisine of nine South Asian countries to Delhiites. Making the journey from Dhaka to Delhi, the relatively small Jatra stall had shoppers leaping through story-based folk art paintings, breathing in at some rare aromatic oils or gazing at colourful little decorative pieces and delicately embroidered dupattas. At the Jatra stall one met up with Lubna Marium, of Shadhona repute and an active presence at Jatra. "The Lotus Bazaar is symbolic of a larger programme that has the potential to connect grassroots artisans in the nine South Asian countries," she explains. The programme in question is "Sasian Journey", a trans-disciplinary programme being steered by the Asian Heritage Foundation and the

renowned Self Employed Women's Association (SEWA) in engagement with the Smithsonian Institution, USA. The collaboration includes leading NGOs of South Asia, the World Bank, UNDP and other bodies. A major outcome of the project is a series of events that promote South Asian culture at the Smithsonian Institution's Folklife Programme from June-July 2018 at the National Mall, Washington DC, USA. The programme will then be replicated at other locations. According to the organisers "The journey will highlight the sub-continent's most vulnerable but tenacious skilled poor as the rich repositories of cultural resources with an enormous potential for decentralised employment and revenue generation."

Prova in two new TV serials

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Actress Prova is immersed in two new TV serials: "Dohon" and "Jibon Theke Neya Ei Shohorer Golpo". "Dohon", directed by Aronno Anwar, goes on air on ATN Bangla. On the other hand, "Jibon Theke Neya Ei Shohorer Golpo", casts Prova as a humble village girl who struggles to make a living by teaching at a coaching centre. Veteran actor Abul Hayat co-stars with Prova in the serial. Prova is also doing several one-hour TV plays. Recently she played a role opposite Riaz in a single-episode TV play which is her first with the film star.



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Answers of Quiz-02 :

- Dominic Toretto
- James Wan

Quiz No-03:

- What is the character name played by Paul Walker?
- Who is the writer of Furious7?

Winners of Quiz-02:

Sumaiya Siddika, Tejgaon
Moinul, Mirpur-1
Sabrina Ali, Mirpur-1
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Rezwana Seraj, Kollanpur
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