









Group Art Exhibition Title: Remixing Illusion Venue: Gallery Cosmos-2

Group Art Exhibition Title: Wings of Imagination Venue: Alliance Français de Dhaka Friday and Saturday 9-12am



Five personalities accorded reception

ZAHANGIR SHAH, Manikganj

Manikganj Shilpakala Academy accorded a reception to five renowned cultural personalities of Manikganj district for their outstanding contributions. They were given certificates, medals and Tk.10, 000 each at a function at central Shaheed Minar in Manikganj recently.

The personalities who have won recognition are Kodom Ali (folklore), Robi Pal (jatra), AKM Azil Islam Shukku (art), Sunil Kumer Chakrabarty (music), and Korobi Ahmed Beauty (dance).

Jahid Maleque Swapan, local lawmaker and state minister to the Health and Family Welfare Ministry, handed the certificates, medals and cash to the recipients.

Later, a cultural function was held. The members of Manikganj Shilpakala Academy performed chorus and solo songs, dances and recited poetry.



"Ayna Bibi'r Pala" at Shilpakala today

A CORRESPONDENT

"Ayna Bibi'r Pala", a play based on the famous Mymensingh Geetika, will be staged today at the Experimental Theatre Hall of the Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy. Produced by the troupe Natyadhara, it is about the society's injustice towards women in the ancient times, and how one woman stands up against it.





BNSS holds Nazrul Utshab at BSA

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

................. Bangladesh Nazrul Sangeet Sangstha (BNSS) organised Nazrul Utshab marking 116th birth anniversary of the National Poet Kazi Nazrul Islam at National Theatre Hall of Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy on June 10.

The event featured solo and choral rendition of songs, recitation and dance presentations. A number of renowned and promising artistes of BNSS performed a diverse genre of Nazrul Sangeet. Artistes of BNSS set off the musical show with the choral song "Sangha Smarana Tirtha Jatra". Young artistes of the organisation also presented two choruses -- "Joy Houk" and "Rum Jhum Rumujhumu Ke Bajaye."

President of the organisation Khalid Hossain rendered a monsoon melody "Rimjhim Rim Jhim" while general secretary of BNSS Khairul Anam Shakil performed a ghazal-ang song "Pashaner Bhangaley Ghum".

"Our National Poet composed songs of varied genre and created several distinctive raga and taal. Nazrul's kavyageeti and ragabased melodies are very sweet but none can blossom that melody without proper rewaz. I am hopeful about the promising artistes of BNSS who are showing their musical passion and potential with utmost sincerity in every programme of the organi- Esho Nirojon-e". Nihar Dey Akash rensation," said Khairul Anam Shakil.

Nahian Durdana Shuchi melodically performed a raga Bageshree-based song "Harano Hiyar Nikunja Poth-e"; Mehfuz rendered "Deshgoura Bijoy Deboraj", based on raga Deshgoura. Set on raga

dered a kirttan "Sakhi Sajaye Rakhlo", Mridula Samadder rendered "Sur-e O Banir Mala", based on raga Pilu, and Sanjay Kabiraj sang "Mor Na Mititey Asha".

Bhabna director Samina Husain Prema

Seema Islam recited parts of an epic poem "Kamal Pasha" at the event. Noted singers -- Suman Mazumdar and Bizon Chandra Mistry performed solos really very well

The performances of promising artistes Maksudur Rahman Mohit Khan, Nihar



(Clockwise from top): Young artistes render a choral song, Samina Husain Prema dances and Khairul Anam Shakil sings a solo at the festival.

Behag, Mahmudul Hasan nicely rendered a ghazal-ang song "Keno Diley E Kanta" while Afsana Runa presented a Shyama Sangeet "Mohakaler Kuley Eshey."

Mohit Khan captivated the audience with a thumri-ang song "Piya Swaponey beautifully danced to a pahadi melody "Churir Taal-e Nurir Mala". Choreographed by Tamanna Rahman,

several artistes of Nritym presented a dance set on the song "Ami Jaar Nupurer Chhondo" at the event. Elocutionist

Dey Akash and Nahian Durdana Shuchi were highly praiseworthy. The festival wrapped up with a performance of choral song "Chanchalo Shyamolo Elo Gogoney", followed by a rendition of the

National Anthem.

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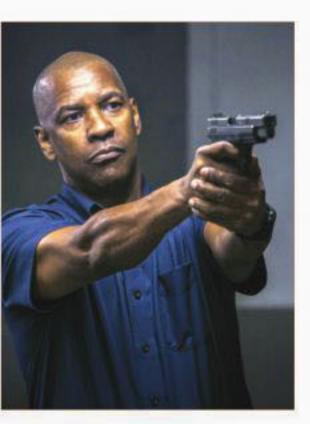
sequel release date announced

2017, release date for its sequel to the Denzel Washington thriller "The Equalizer" — three years after the original opened.

Sony has set a Sept. 29,

The studio had officially announced the second installment in April during its CinemaCon presentation. The R-rated auctioneer generated solid results

with \$192 million. Washington is expected to reprise his role as vigilante Robert McCall in "Equalizer 2". Chloe



Grace Moretz and Marton Csokas co-starred in the original, based on the 1980s TV series of the same name.

Antoine Fuqua ("Training Day") directed the first "Equalizer", produced by Escape Artists, co-financed by Village Roadshow and debuted at the Toronto Film Festival.

"The Equalizer 2" is the first film dated for Sept. 29, 2017.

Source: Variety



EX OFFICINA NOSTRA opens tomorrow

A group exhibition of prints at Bengal Art Lounge

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Ex Officina Nostra, a group exhibition of prints, opens at the Bengal Art Lounge tomorrow. The exhibition displays a whole range of recently-printed works by artists of established reputation or at the beginning of their creative journey. The subtle monochromes of Ashit

Mitra, the bright colors of Jogen Chowdhury, the variations on religious symbols of Shimul Saha or the mysterious three-eyed face by Sukhamoy Majumder -- Ex Officina Nostra proposes to the viewer to

chart new territories. The term Ex Officina – which translates from Latin as "from the workshop of..." – was sometimes

added on printed works in previous centuries to certify their provenance, and thus their quality. Alluding to this ancient practice, Ex Officina Nostra, or "from our workshop", is an exhibition of printed artworks made at the Safiuddin

Bengal Printmaking Studio. The exhibition will be open

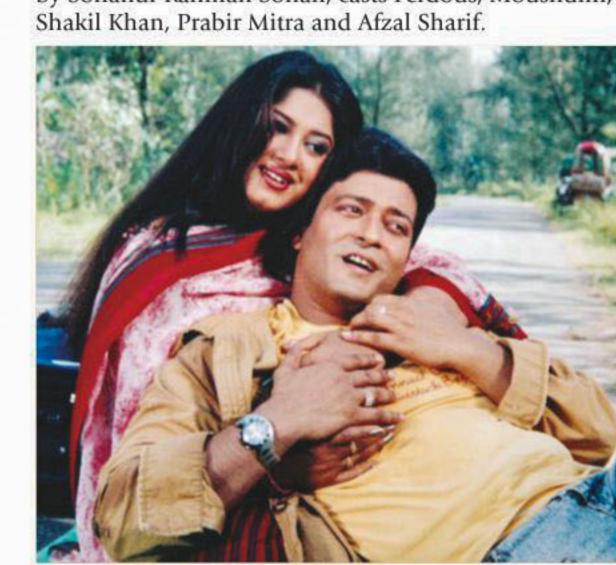
from June 14 to Saturday 11 July.



on Channel i

A CORRESPONDENT

Bangla Film "Brishti Bheja Akash" will be shown on Channel I today at 3pm, as part of the weekend movie schedule "Robi E Shoptaher Chhobi". The film directed by Sohanur Rahman Sohan, casts Ferdous, Moushumi,



US pop star Taylor Swift found out in March that US examiners had misquoted one of her song lyrics in a grammar test that asked students to spot errors in pop lyrics. The line was from her 2009 song "Fifteen" After she postedthe matter on Twitter, The Princeton Review then apologized for the error, and also offered Swift to

pick a fan, who they

the USA.

would buy two tickets to

one of Swift's shows in

"Dil Dhadakne Do" takes box office by storm

If numbers are any indication, then director Zoya Akhtar's latest flick "Dil Dhadakne Do" is all set to hit the jackpot at the box office. As per trade analyst Taran Adarsh, the film has garnered more than Rs 65 crore in the first four days of its release --42.82 crore in the domestic market

market. Based on the theme of a dysfunctional Punjabi family, "Dil Dhadakne Do" opened to mixed reviews, but a positive word-ofmouth helped it at the ticket window. Its business saw a huge jump on day two after a dismal opening an even wider smile on the produc-

ers' faces. The film featuring Anil Kapoor, Priyanka Chopra, Ranveer Singh, Farhan Akhtar and Anushka Sharma in pivotal roles was released on June 5.



