


**WHAT'S ON**

**Symphony of Needle Work**  
 Venue: E.M.K Center, R-27(Old) Dhanomdi  
 Date: June 17-25  
 Time: 10:30am-7pm



**Group Art Exhibition**  
 Title: 11th Anniversary Exhibition  
 Organiser: Galleri Kaya  
 Venue: Galleri Kaya, H-20, Rd-16, Sec-4, Uttara  
 Date: June 6-26  
 Time: 11am-8pm



**Water Colour Show**  
 Title: Jolerdhara  
 Venue: Shilpangan, H-7, R-13, Dhanomdi.  
 Date: June 13th - July 3  
 Time: 12-8pm



**Art Exhibition**  
 Celebrated Violence-4: Fuzzy Fear  
 Venue: Kala Kendra, Mohammadpur, Dhaka  
 Date: May 28 - June 20  
 Time: 5-9 pm



**Solo Art Exhibition**  
 Title: Bela-Aubelar Rangragini  
 Artist: Tahera Khanam  
 Venue: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts  
 Date: June 5-25  
 Time: 12pm-8pm



# Colours of Chittagong enthralled audience

ARUN BIKASH DEY, Chittagong

On Monday evening, audiences present at Hall 24 Chittagong in the port city enjoyed a colourful programme featuring music, dance and dazzling fashion show.

With the slogan "My City, My Pride", BD Next organised "Colours of Chittagong 2015" to promote the unique culture, heritage, diversity, tradition, lifestyle and ecology of the region.

The event featured music, dance, indigenous dance, fashion show and screening of a documentary.

The programme began with a dance performance by Swapan Barua and his troupe followed by a fashion show where models walked the ramp wearing outfits designed by popular fashion houses of Chittagong, including Dolls House, Rowshan Boutique House, Mia Bibi and Shoilpik.

Then Nabila came on the stage and sang "Dhin Tana" and "Amar Majhe Nei Ekhon Ami". Later, Lux-Channel i superstar Nadia walked the ramp, followed by an indigenous dance performance.

Organisers also honoured seven eminent citizens of the port city for their contribution in their respective arenas at the event. The citizens include lyricist and composer Abdul Gafur Hali, poet and artist Khalid Ahsan, photographer Shueb Farooqui, Artist Ahmed Newaj, entrepreneurs Kohinur Kamal, Rahedul Alam Mamun and Mizanur Rahman.

Chittagong City Corporation Mayor AJM Nasir Uddin attended the event as chief guest while deputy commissioner of Chittagong Mezbah Uddin and joint secretary of Chittagong Press Club, Chowdhury Farid were present as special guests. The Daily Star was the media partner of the event.



PHOTO: STAR

# Breaking a male bastion

## In conversation with slide guitarist Naher Ahamed

NAHIR TAHER

Naher Ahamed, a slide guitarist, started her journey of playing the instrument around 2004. Being a female may have worked against her sometimes, but her family was a great support, she told The Daily Star in a conversation about her passion.

"Although there were lapses in my practice during this time, my passion for the slide guitar enabled me to pursue my dream. I regularly practice the slide guitar. I was also interested in the sitar and dotara, but I was more in love with this instrument. Beside this, I also write for children and adults; I have a few published books.

"I am where I am because I was inspired by my sister. My family had a very cultural mindset. We always had musical programmes at our place. My brother used to play the tabla, I played the slide guitar and my sister used to sing. The ambience was always musical.

"I have tried to inspire my children to be culturally-inclined. Three of my daughters are dancers. One teaches dance in a school



# Second season of "Ujan Ganger Naiya" premiered

CORRESPONDENT

The new series of TV serial "Ujan Ganger Naiya" will start broadcasting from Tuesday (June 23) on ATN Bangla. To mark the launch of the second series, a premiere and press conference was arranged on Tuesday at the Bangladesh Film Development Corporation (BFDC). Nick Dyer, Director General for Policy and Global Programmes at the UK Department for International Development, was present along with members of the cast and crew and officials from the Government of Bangladesh, ATN Bangla and BBC Media Action.

The series, produced by BBC Media Action, will air every Tuesday at 8:40pm and is a family entertainment drama aimed at helping people learn about maternal and child health. A new programme called "Natoker Pore" will launch alongside, featuring actors from the drama, pregnant women and specialist doctors and broadcast on the same channel every Wednesday at 9:35am.

The story of "Ujan Ganger Naiya" series two takes place a few years after the events depicted in series one. Health worker Anika (played by Sporshia) is seen assisting pregnant women in an urban slum but with a desire for a new adventure in her life - a different ambition as a health worker. She starts to work in a remote fishing village where she meets Dr. Naim (played by Riaz): just like Anika, the ups and downs of his life have brought him to the same village. With the open sea on one side, Anika and Naim work together in an unknown environment, both trying to forget their past and help the community around them: a collection of people with simple, wonderful lives who are struggling with the challenges of life.

The script is written by Rafiqul Islam Poltu and Shuvashis Sinha and the drama is directed by Bashar Georgis. The cast includes Riaz, Farhana Mili, Champa, Tariq Anam Khan, Lutfur Rahman George, Sporshia, Titash Zia, Afroza Banu, Shatabdi Wadud, Reekita Nondine Shimu, Fazlul Haque and Putul.

Ujan Ganger Naiya is a part of the BBC Agomoni project, which uses a range of media outputs to support people all over Bangladesh to adopt healthier behaviours and practices connected to pregnancy and childbirth.

# Chris Hemsworth JOINS "GHOSTBUSTERS" CAST

Thor star Chris Hemsworth has been cast as the receptionist in the new female-led "Ghostbusters" film, working under Melissa McCarthy and Kristen Wiig.

Director Paul Feig's gender-swapping reboot also features Kate McKinnon and Leslie Jones on the ghostbusting team.

Feig broke the news on Twitter, posting a picture of Hemsworth with the words: "Our receptionist. #whoougonnacall."

Actress Annie Potts played the original receptionist, Janine Melnitz, in the 1984 film.

The ghost-hoovering team originally featured Bill Murray, Dan Akroyd, Harold Ramis and Ernie Hudson, while Sigourney Weaver



played Dana, a woman troubled by a poltergeist in her apartment.

According to Variety, Australian actor Hemsworth originally passed on one of the film's male roles as it was too small.

Sources told the industry website

and magazine the part had since been 'beefed up' after Sony worked on the script.

Production on the new "Ghostbusters" is due to start later this summer, with the film scheduled to hit cinemas on July 22, 2016.

The original, directed by Ivan Reitman, made almost \$300m at the global box office. A sequel, "Ghostbusters II", followed five years later.

Feig previously directed McCarthy and Wiig together in hit comedy "Bridesmaids", while his new film "Spy" - also starring McCarthy - debuted at the top of the UK and US box office at the weekend.

Source: BBC



and the other two are choreographers. So our home environment has always been very favourable to nurturing of creative talent.

"A woman should not focus solely on family. They should always do what they love to do. There should be no distinction between a man and a woman. Each individual should have the freedom to live their life the way they want to."

# TV WATCH "Na Bola Bhalobasha"

A CORRESPONDENT

Tele-film "Na Bola Bhalobasha" will go on air on SATV today at 10:30am. Written by Amin Khan and directed by Taju Kamrul, the telefilm is a love story, casting Amin Khan, Janvi and Al-Mamun, among others.



# NEWS bytes Carly Rae Jepsen shares album release date

Carly Rae Jepsen will release her new album "Emotion" on August 21, and has plans to drop a new single and video for "Run Away With Me" in July.

The LP will be available for pre-order starting June 23 and will come with instant downloads of previously released albums cuts, "I Really Like You", "All That" and "Emotion". The latest album will be made available in traditional forms, as well as a part of bundles featuring special art prints, T-shirts and more.

"Emotion" follows Jepsen's 2012 US debut "Kiss", which featured the viral smash "Call Me Maybe". While "Emotion" boasts contributions from proven pop hit-makers like Sia, Shellback (Taylor Swift, Maroon 5) and Greg Kurstin (Kelly Clarkson, Katy Perry), it also features rising stars.

While "Emotion" has yet to spawn a hit as ubiquitous as "Call Me Maybe", the Tom Hanks-starring video for "I Really Like You" has racked up over 61 million views on YouTube.

Source: Rolling Stone



# Ranbir's next film will have 25 songs?

Ranbir Kapoor and film-maker Anurag Basu's maiden production, also starring Katrina Kaif, has been delayed multiple times over the past couple of years. Even as talks are rife about the film getting re-shot and its release date moving to next year, Hindustan Times reports that one of the reasons the film is getting delayed is because of its 'challenging' music compositions.

Rumours suggest that since the musical is supposed to have 25 songs, Pritam has been working hard on the soundtrack -- but Ranbir and Anurag are not happy with the songs that the composer has created. "The problem is that since music is an intrinsic part of the film's screenplay, the movie can't be shot unless all the tracks are ready," said an insider.

Apparently, the film has been challenging for Pritam because of the number of songs, and the nature of the lyrics. "The lines on which Pritam is composing the music aren't usual poems. Instead, they are part of the dialogues delivered by Ranbir's characters. So, it has been a challenge for him. But now, he is composing a few songs all over again," the source added.

Source: Hindustan Times

# IT'S TRUE!

Bollywood actress Juhi Chawla, who has been juggling with acting, singing, motherhood, radiation and entrepreneurship, has recently ventured into the restaurant business with her husband. The duo, in partnership with a few others, has opened up a restaurant called Pizza Metro Pizza at Kemps Corner in Mumbai. Juhi has never been a foodie, but has always enjoyed the business side of things with IPL, film production and now the restaurant business.

Interestingly, the actress is a vegetarian, and loves both Italian and Thai food.

