



THANK GOD IT'S FRIDAY

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DITANIRED SHIFT CLASSIC MOVIES,
ACROSS THE UNIVERSE

Date: Wednesday, 4 November

Time: 7.30pm

This is the definitive Beatles Musical! The story is set in the period which interweaves many of the themes of that tumultuous and uplifting time: the personal and the political, hedonism and idealism, the breaking away from stultifying norms, the heartbreak of social failure, and the joys of exquisite discovery. The best part of the movie is the way it artfully blends in some of the most beloved and iconic Beatles songs and make them part of the story that is being portrayed. The power and precision of the Beatles' lyrics will astonish you, as we tend to get so carried away by the sheer musicality of the songs that we don't always notice the words. This perfect fusion of concept and execution makes Across the Universe one of the truly memorable movies of our time especially for Beatles fans of all ages!

Tickets: Tk200 (includes free popcorn).

BANGLADESH MUSIC WEEK
2015 - THE FESTIVAL

Date: 6-7 November

Time: 4.30 pm to 8.30 pm (on both days)

Venue: Rabindra Sarabar, Dhanmondi #8

To answer to what Bangladesh Music Week is: it is a blend of all possible music

components coming to life to create a platform that opens new possibilities.

LiveSquare Bangladesh, along with key partners The Royal Norwegian Embassy and Concerts Norway, are jointly hosting the first ever music weekend in Bangladesh. They will be hosting a conference and a festival to bring together the commonality in diversity in our music industry. More details on the website: www.bangladeshmusicweek.com. (For those interested in the conference visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/939124932833260/>.)

This is a public festival, free for all, to showcase the wide spectrum of Bangladeshi music that the country has to offer - from pop to folktronica to blues to metal to classical; featuring performances of several Bangladeshi artists to showcase the wide range of Bangladeshi music to the world, putting Bangladeshi music on the global maps.

Bangladesh Music Week 2015 will be the single-most prestigious platform for taking a giant leap forward to the global frontier with Arshinagar Bangladesh, Bangladesh Institute of Theatre Arts, Chirkutt Band, Shakthi, Shironamhin, The Speakeasy.

BENGAL CINEMATHEQUE —
NOVEMBER 2015

Date: 7-8 November

Time: 7pm

Venue: Visual Arts at Bengal Foundation, 64-

65 Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Kawran Bazaar, Dhaka 1215

Bengal Cinematheque presents Chris Marker/Alain Resnais and Alfred Hitchcock. "The art of living has no history: it does not evolve: the pleasure which vanishes, vanishes for good, there is no substitute for it. Other pleasures come, which replace nothing." — Roland Barthes

Every film is historical—burnt into the untouchable, impossible past. A collection of bygone moments listing an earnest index of our desires. Yet, the immediate experience of film, it's revivification with light and movement, seems so real and so sincere that it lulls you.

You are unprepared for the oncoming melancholia, the rise of that archaic anger. Cajoled into a re-animated past, when the ontological echo of the image fades, we journey back to the incoherent present, desolate and worse, full of nascent hope.

Formless, in the quiet dark, as we collect our things, we long for more hallucinations, more time with what we have lost, and those who have lost us. The light outside the theatre is blinding and sad. The third cycle of Bengal Cinematheque inflames our greed for the traumas and pleasures of our past and then reveals to us their brutal, unbridgeable distance.

CHECK IT OUT

Shiraz Restaurant
opens in Dhaka

The Kolkata-based Shiraz Restaurant has opened its doors in Dhaka. Bringing with it centuries-old heritage of Mughal cuisine, Shiraz had its grand opening at Uday Tower in Gulshan-1 on 26 October, 2015. Pankaj Saran, Indian High Commissioner in Bangladesh and many other renowned personalities of the country graced the event, which ended with the rendition of songs by a noted Indian artist.

Shiraz has a glorious history of blending the Mughal heritage in its cuisine. In the year 1940, Arshad Ali and Md. Hossain from Bihar arrived in Kolkata and started a small eatery called Shiraz. They adopted the secret recipes of the Mughal kitchen called 'dum pukht', a style of cooking with aromatic ingredients.

The restaurant steadily grew in size and reputation. It opened branches in Mumbai, Bangalore and Dubai over the years, and has now come to Dhaka. Some of Shiraz's all-time favorite signature dishes are biriyani, chaap, rezala, murgh musallam, raan-e-Shiraz, kasha gosht, liver bhuna, firni, shahitukra, etc. The restaurant also has plans to start serving breakfast soon.

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