

WHAT'S ON
Solo Oriental Painting Exhibition
Title: Reunion of Shakuntala
Artist: Malay Bala
Venue: Zainul Gallery, FFA, DU
Date: Nov 16-22
Time: 10am-8pm



Group Exhibition
Title: Drawings
Venue: Gelleri Kaya
Date: Nov 13-27
Time: 11am-8pm

Drawings



Solo Exhibition
Chromatic Delusions
Artist: Maksud Iqbal Nipa
Venue: Bengal Art Lounge
Date: Oct 31-Nov 21
Time: 12-8pm

CHROMATIC DELUSIONS



5th Tone Int'l Art Biennale 2015
Organiser: Tone Art Society of Bangladesh
Venues: Galley Chitrah and Athena Gallery of Fine Arts
Date: Nov 13-30; Time: 10am-8pm

5th Tone International Miniature Art Biennale 2015



Solo Oriental Painting Exhibition
Artist: Amit Nandi
Venue: Zainul Gallery, FFA, DU
Date: Nov 10-15
Time: 10am-8pm



NEWS
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U2 cancels HBO concert after Paris attacks

Irish rock band U2 was minutes away from the shootings in Paris on Friday night, during which dozens were wounded and killed in a coordinated attack.

Frontman Bono was seen rehearsing earlier in the day at AccorHotels Arena, 2.8 miles away from the concert hall Bataclan where a gunman opened fire during a concert by American band Eagles of Death Metal. The band members -- guitarist The Edge, bassist Adam Clayton and drummer Larry Mullen Jr. -- and crew were



promptly moved into lockdown and are safe at accommodations nearby, according to insiders.

U2 was in town to perform Saturday and Sunday at AccorHotels Arena, the former set to be broadcast live on HBO. That show has since been canceled.

The band later posted a statement to its official website: "As a result of the ongoing state of emergency across France, the U2 Paris concert scheduled for 14th November will not be going ahead as planned. U2 and Live Nation, along with HBO who were due to live broadcast the Saturday concert, are fully resolved to go ahead with this show at an appropriate time."

Source: **Billboard**



A MEDLEY OF SOUL-SEARCHING MELODIES

DIFF second day's performances in focus

ZAHANGIR ALOM

Upholding the legacy of Bangladeshi folk

As a tribute to Abbasuddin Ahmed and Abdul Alim, two towering figures of Bangladeshi folk music, Dr. Nashid Kamal (granddaughter of Abbasuddin Ahmed) and Ajar Alim, Jahir Alim and Nurjahan Alim (children of Abdul Alim) performed on the second night of the Dhaka International Folk Festival.

Noted Nazrul Sangeet singer Dr. Nashid Kamal thoroughly entertained in her set of three Bhawaiya songs. Opening with "Je Jon Premer Bhab", she swayed the audience with her melodic rhythm in two other popular songs "Prano Sokhired" and "Komola Sundari". Her selection of songs and instrumental accompaniment by several bauls enchanted the music lovers. Finalists of Magic Bauliana and three other artistes also per-

formed at the start of the event.

Melancholia reigns supreme

Renowned Bangladeshi artiste Bari Siddiqui was on a musical high as he performed melancholic melodies. Starting with "Ami Ekta Jinda Lash", he went on to perform a bichchhedhi gaan, and Ustad Bari Siddiqui soulfully performed two folk numbers "Pubali Batashey" and "Shunyachan Pakhi" from Humayun Ahmed's film "Shrabon Megh-e Din". The veteran presented a tarana followed by performing the song "Rajani Hoishna Oboshan", including a flute recital by the artiste.

An assortment of Bangla folk

Arnob and Friends were welcomed on stage with a huge roar, as they began their set with "Mon Torey", and Pantho Kanai following it up with Lalon song "Jaat Gelo". Arnob paid homage to Tagore in the performance "Majhey Majhey", and to his

Chittagonian roots with two songs from the region -- his uncle Tapan Chowdhury joining him for one of them. An encore of "Amar Haar Kala" was also an instant hit. The group then stayed back, to accompany Paban Das baul and Momtaz, up next.

Deep into the soul

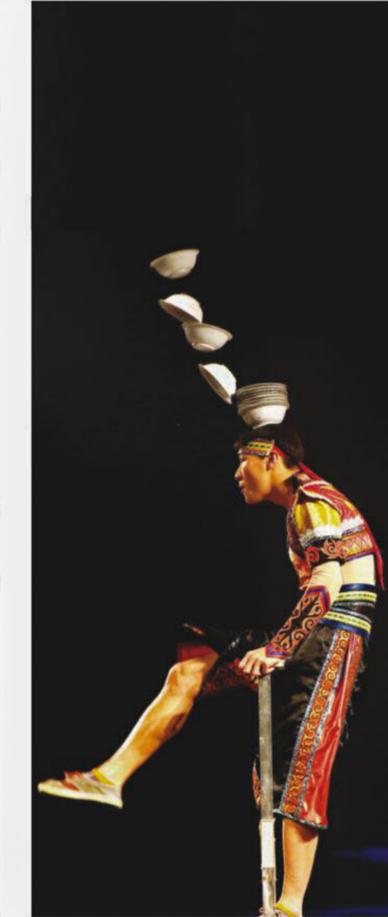
World-renowned folk maestro Paban Das Baul enthralled the Dhaka music lovers with his soul-searching melodies and candid humbleness. The living legend collaborated with Bangladeshi musicians Arnob, Saad, Pantho Kanai, Buno and Gaurob, to perform "Koto Din-e Mor Shey Bhab", "Chanchal Mon", "Boshundhorar Bukey" and "Amar Mon Moti'r Mon". The artiste thoroughly swayed the 60 thousands audience with performing his hit numbers -- "Nacho Go Kali" and "Dil Ki Doya Hoyna".

The cuckoo croons late-night

Bangladeshi folk icon Momtaz Begum began her performance with "Agye Jodi Jantam" that Arnob composed for her in "Monpura". Arnob and Friends accompanied her on stage. The artistes also presented a bit of pala songs that she recorded for the Tareque Masud's hit film "Matir Moyna". The performance of a Tagore number "Bhenge Mor", together with "Gaan Gaisilo Khwaja'y" and the hit "Morar Kokiley" generated rhythmic waves among the crowd.

Chinese grace and heritage

Displaying natural grace, feminine beauty, acrobatic magic and antique Chinese traditional heritage, artistes of Yunnan Art Troupe mesmerised the audience in several dazzling performances. Using hoola hoops, china bowls and ropes -- the acrobatics were breathtaking while the dance pieces showcased Chinese heritage, culture and history.



(Clockwise from top left): Momtaz, Paban Das, Yunnan Art Troupe, Arnob and Friends, Bari Siddiqui and Nashid Kamal entertain music lovers.

PHOTO: RIDWAN ADID RUPON / SHEIKH MEHEDI MORSHED



Tisha's Korean Goodwill stint continues

A CORRESPONDENT
The South Korean Embassy to Dhaka has once again appointed Nusrat Imrose Tisha, a Bangladeshi popular television and film actress, as their Goodwill Ambassador to help enhance bilateral relations between the two countries.
Newly appointed ambassador of the Republic of Korea Ahn Seong-doo handed over the appointment letter to Tisha at the opening ceremony of the Korean Film Festival at the capital's Public Library auditorium on Friday. Other guests present included the Prime Minister's Foreign Affairs Advisor Gowher Rizvi and the ambassadors of Canada, Brazil, Iran and Bhutan.
Tisha was earlier nominated as the first Goodwill Ambassador of Korea in Bangladesh for a two-year term, beginning September 10, 2013.

QUOTES

"I think he's great. He's very intense and we love him and he's the best Bond for me. It became more psychological with him as well, and more interesting."

Lea Seydoux, the latest Bond girl, weighs in on co-star Daniel Craig



Sufi and folk music evening at AFC

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Chittagong

Music enthusiasts of the port city enjoyed a recent performance by Aswad, a Chittagong-based Sufi and folk band. Alliance Française de Chittagong (AFC) organised the musical evening at its gallery.

The programme featured traditional Sufi and folk music of the region and music and instrumental pieces composed by Aswad. The band, led by Mohammad Mohsin, kept the audience

glued to their seats at the auditorium. Raphael Jaeger, director of Alliance Française de Chittagong, gave the welcome speech.

Then Anwarul Hoque Chowdhury played a Sufi Bhandari song on his saxophone, to the raves of the audience.

Chairman of PHP Sufi Mohammad Mizanur Rahman, members of the executive committee of Alliance Française de Chittagong and eminent personalities of the port city were present at the programme.



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