

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



Comedy Show
Organiser: Naveed's Comedy Club
Venue: The Stage, 1st Floor, House 31, Sector 13, Uttara
Date: Nov 21
Time: 7:30pm-9pm



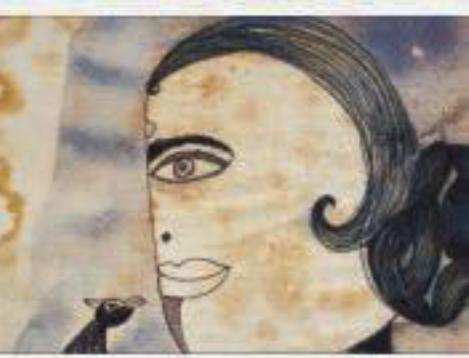
Solo Exhibition
Chromatic Delusions
Artist: Maksuda Iqbal Nipa
Venue: Bengal Art Lounge
Date: Oct 31-Nov 21
Time: 12-8pm



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



Solo Exhibition
Title: Rokeya
Artist: Rokeya Sultana
Venue: Bengal Shilpalya, Dhanmondi
Date: Nov 17-Dec 5
Time: 12-8pm

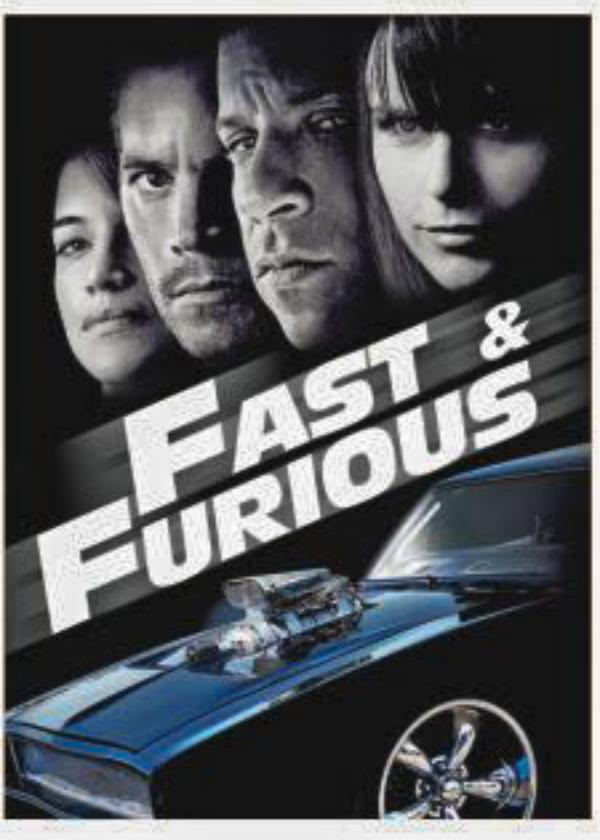


NEWS bytes

'Fast & Furious' spinoffs in process

The "Fast and Furious" franchise may take a page from "Star Wars" and Marvel. Producer and star Vin Diesel said that the team behind the fast cars and criminal series is in the preliminary stages of developing prequels and spin-offs.

"We've written out story lines for various characters," said Diesel. "We've been playing with it for a long time. It's a very rich property and we're committed to treating it with a lot of class."



The actor did not say which characters would get their own standalone films, but in the past, Dwayne Johnson has hinted that he'd like to see his character, Diplomatic Security Service agent Luke Hobbs, branch out into independent adventures.

For now, however, the focus remains on creating three more "Fast and Furious" sequels. Diesel and Universal brass promise that the upcoming films will be different in tone from the adventures that preceded them.

Source: Variety

IT'S TRUE!



Vivien Leigh won the role of Scarlett O'Hara over hundreds of actresses, including heavyweights like Bette Davis, Joan Crawford, Katharine Hepburn, and Paulette Goddard. During filming, Leigh worked 16 hours a day, six days a week, for 125 days. To deal with the stress, Leigh chain-smoked, burning through four packs of cigarettes a day. Leigh was paid \$25,000 for "Gone With The Wind". But subsequently, Leigh took home the trophy for Best Actress in 1939. In 1952, she won another Oscar for Best Actress in a Leading Role in "A Streetcar Named Desire".

Nobanno Utsab in Mymensingh

AMINUL ISLAM, Mymensingh

On the first day of Bangla month Agrahan, a cultural function was organised by Mymensingh Shilpakala Academy at its auditorium on Sunday evening.

The festival included rendition of songs, dance sequences and 'Pitha Utsab'.

The artistes of the academy rendered 56 largely folk songs.

Indigenous artistes from Mymensingh

Mohila College also participated in a dance sequence. Ustad Anwar Hossain, Sakhawat Hossain Mithu and Joyate Fahmi directed the musical soiree while Nazmul Haque Lenin directed the dance sequences.

Poet Rubina Azad joined a poetry recitation session.

At a discussion held earlier, the speakers said that the Nobanno festival has been celebrated for centuries in

rural Bangladesh. While the younger generation is addicted to newer forms of entertainment, we should go back to our roots by observing such traditional festivals.

Harun-ur-Rashid, Additional Deputy Commissioner (General) inaugurated the celebrations as chief guest. Arzu Parves, District Cultural Officer also spoke at the inaugural session, among others.



PHOTO: STAR

Inspiration from the roots

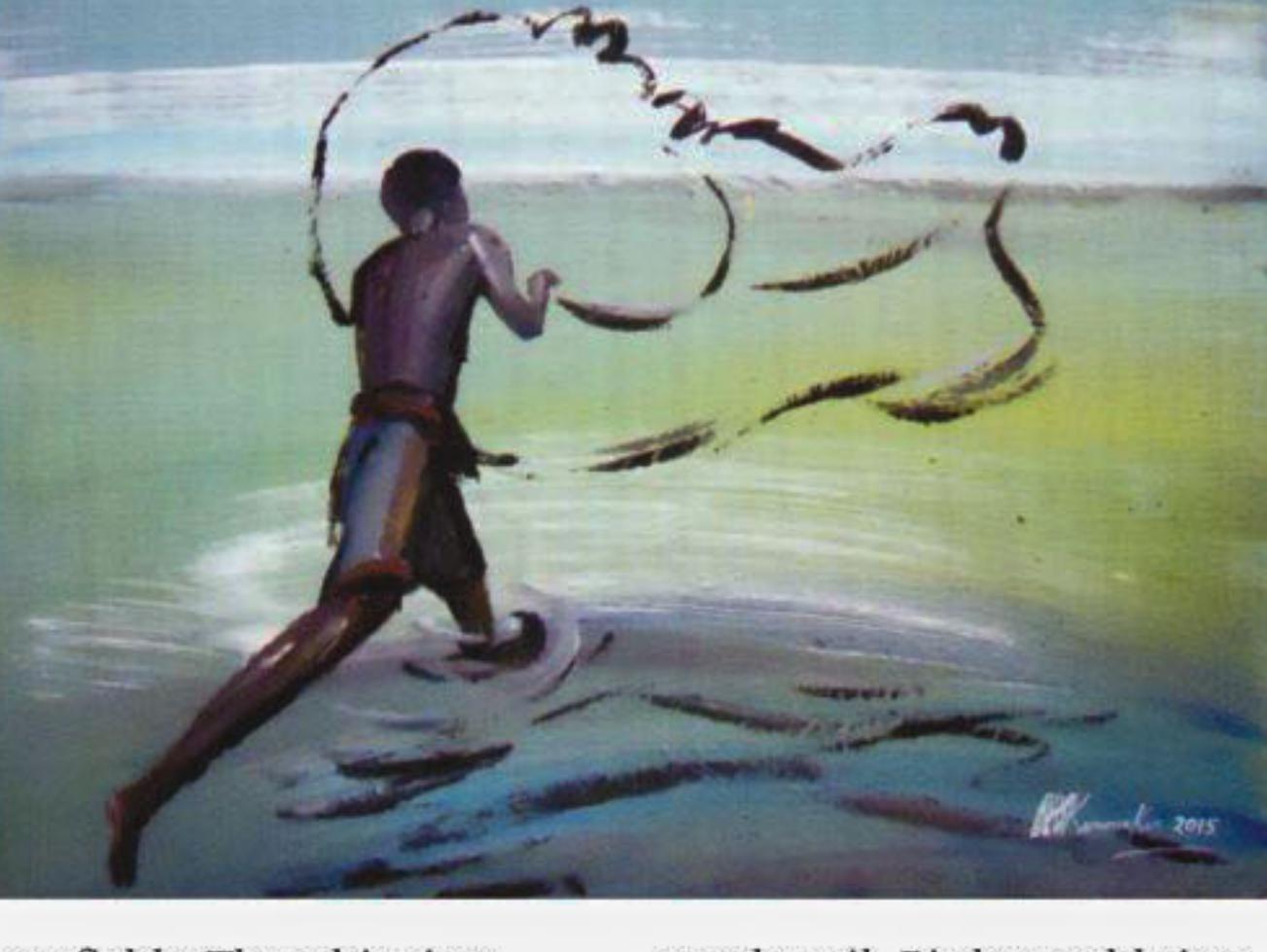
Bipad Bhanjan Sen's solo exhibition

FAYZA HAQ

Bipad Bhanjan Sen Karmaker was born in Daragram village in Manikganj district amidst a profusion of natural beauty -- rivers, canals, green fields, schools, mosques and temples. It was a haven of harmony between communities. Says a nostalgic Karmaker, "A gentle breeze wafted through the green fields on winter mornings, when dewdrops appeared on the leaves. The charm of the six seasons could truly be enjoyed in the village."

"Unforgettable was the wind during hot summers and sometime storms broke through. Birds quenched their thirst with different kinds of delicious fruits, and green trees soothed our minds."

"There was water in the fields in the rainy season, heavy drizzle, cloudy skies, muddy road, green fields of paddy and water lilies in the



jute fields. The white jute sticks on both sides of the river, presented a beautiful look. There was cultivable land on the side of the river, and different kinds of coloured boats plied on the river - guided by the wind."

"After the rainy season,

came autumn. The water of the rivers and canals dried up. There would be the rise of the

sandy soil. Birds would sing behind the tree. The smell of the paddy fields still fills my mind. The farmers returning home with paddy on their heads was a great sight."

"Then I would come in time to celebrate Durga Puja with the sound of drums. My mother would draw 'Alpana' and father would draw the design of ornaments. I would

see my father make flowers with coloured papers. Actually my artworks were inspired by them," Karmaker confides.

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"Nature" has beautiful trees of green and red at the back. The reflection on water makes the painting interesting. The colourful tribal girls are dancing. They have their typical carrier baskets at the back and necklaces of large silver coins.

"Under the tree" has flowers in front, with trees in the backdrop. There is green grass in front. The combination of green, red and brown make the composition interesting.

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Topu and Yatri in "Music Club"

A CORRESPONDENT

Popular singer Topu, along with his band Yatri, will perform live on tonight's episode of Banglavision's phono-live studio concert "Music Club".

Besides playing their hit tracks, Topu and Yatri will share interesting anecdotes and talk about different aspects of their music. Audience can talk to the guests and request the songs of their choice over the telephone.

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