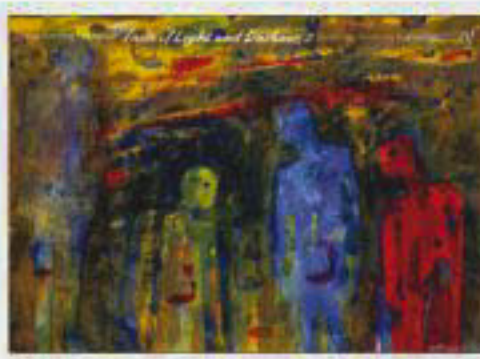


WHAT'S ON

**Solo Sculpture Exhibition**  
 Title: Stones-2  
 Sculptor: Hamiduzzaman Khan  
 Venue: Galleri Kaya  
 Date: March 5-18  
 Time: 11am-7:30pm



**Group Painting Exhibition**  
 Title: Taste of Light and Darkness-2  
 Venue: La Galerie, AFD, Dhamondi  
 Date: Feb 26-Mar 8  
 Time: 3pm-9pm



**Theatre Festival**  
 Bhangra Gora Natyotshab  
 Organiser: BGTF  
 Venue: Mohila Samiti Auditorium, Bally Road  
 Date: Feb 28-Mar 28  
 Time: 7pm



**Solo Art Exhibition**  
 Censored Image  
 Artist: Wakilur Rahman  
 Venue: Kalakendra  
 Date: Feb 3-March 3  
 Time: 12-8pm



**Solo Painting Exhibition**  
 Title: Of a Poetic Vision of Life  
 Artist: Ranjit Das  
 Venue: Shilpangan  
 Date: February 26-March 12  
 Time: 12pm-8pm



**NEWS bytes**

**'London Has Fallen' at Star Cineplex**

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**  
 Latest English blockbuster film "London Has Fallen" will premiere in Dhaka today at Star Cineplex in the capital's Bashundhara City Shopping Mall. The film will release in Bangladesh on the date of its US release. Babak Najafi has directed the film, which is the sequel of 2013 hit "Olympus Has Fallen".  
 Gerard Butler, Aaron Eckhart, Morgan Freeman, Patrick



**Farooki's Magnum Opus**  
 Irrfan Khan gears up to star in "Doob"

**FAHMIM FERDOUS**  
 Mostofa Sarwar Farooki has been known for pushing boundaries, from his early TV plays to tele-films like "Spartacus '71". But it was his films that have taken him places: From 2003's "Bachelor" to multi-award-winning "Television", Farooki has always thought beyond the local film market, and explored festivals and competitions around the globe. With quite a few international accolades, including being lauded by The Hollywood Reporter as "[Mostofa Sarwar Farooki] could be the next South-east Asian filmmaker to break out", his momentum has been building for a few years now, and looks like it has culminated into something big.  
 Here is where Indian actor Irrfan Khan shares something in common with him. From his late-90s character actor days into Bollywood limelight, Irrfan Khan built an appeal for non-Indian films, especially in

Hollywood -- beginning with the rather-unnoticed "A Mighty Heart" (2007) and making his way into the Oscar-winning "Life of Pi", "The Amazing Spiderman" and the billion-dollar grossing "Jurassic World". He is set to next appear in "Inferno", a Ron Howard-directorial of Dan Brown's massively popular novel. But he is not doing everything that comes his way. Only last month, he reportedly turned down a Steven Spielberg project starring Scarlett Johansson, because it offered him 'not much scope'.  
 Now, Irrfan Khan is not only starring in Farooki's upcoming project "Doob" (English title "No Bed of Roses"), but he was supposedly so impressed that he is investing in the film. His casting involved quite some drama spanning nearly a month, Farooki tells The Daily Star.  
 The film, which already had Jaaz Multimedia and Eskay Movies (India) as producers before Irrfan came on board, also casts Nusrat Imroz Tisha, Rokeya Prachi and Kolkata's

Parno Mitra. The method actor he is, Irrfan is reportedly learning Bangla at this moment from his Bangalee wife Sutapa Sikder, as well as getting regular briefs over Skype from Farooki.  
 Under the working title "No Land's Man", the script has already bagged a \$25,000 grant under the 8th Asia Pacific Screen Awards-MPA Fund, where it is synopsized as "A dark satirical drama, [that] examines the plight of a man from a religious minority who is persecuted in his home country, and escapes overseas only to find himself still the target of racial prejudice and hostility in the USA and Australia." The script has also won Most Promising Project at Film Bazaar India 2014, and is an Official Project at the Asian Project Market (Busan International Film Festival, 2014).  
 Principal photography is set to begin later this month in Bangladesh, with filming set to be in Dhaka, Sylhet and Rangamati.



Kennedy, Radha Mitchell and others are in the cast, reprising their roles from the previous film.  
 Here's the plot: after the British Prime Minister has passed away under mysterious circumstances, all leaders of the Western world must attend his funeral. But what starts out as the most protected event on earth, turns into a deadly plot to kill the world's most powerful leaders and unleash a terrifying vision of the future.

**Joy Bangla Concert on March 7**

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**  
 The long awaited youth centric concert of the year, "Joy Bangla Concert", is set to take place at the Army Stadium in the capital on March 7. Registration for the concert is open on <http://ticket.youngbangla.org> website.  
 Youth organisation Young Bangla is organising the concert marking the date of Father of the Nation, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman's historical March 7, 1971 speech.  
 Leading bands Warfaze, Shironamhin, Arbovirus, Lalon, Cryptic Fate, Nemesis and Shunno will perform at the concert.  
 Thousands of spirited youths will gather at the stadium to recall the day, and celebrate independence with Bangla rock music.



Warfaze is one of the most-anticipated bands at the concert.

**Hanif Sanket meets Kailash Satyarthi**

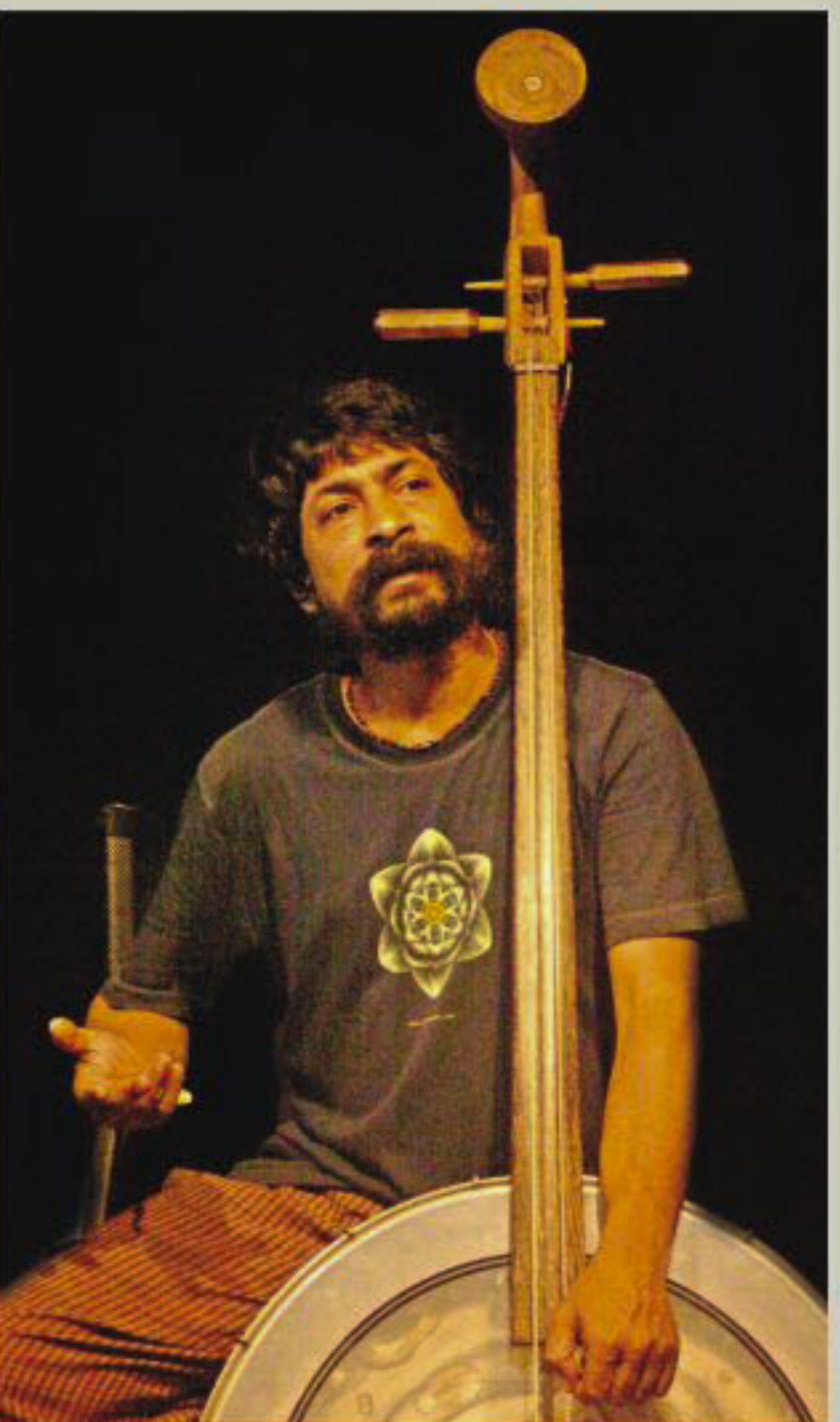


**A CORRESPONDENT**  
 Renowned children's rights and education advocate and activist, Nobel Peace laureate Kailash Satyarthi recently met with popular television host Hanif Sanket at the Rabindra Bharati University.  
 In 1980, Kailash founded Bachpan Bachao Andolon (Save the Childhood Movement) and with that movement, he was able to protect the rights of about 83000 children from 144 countries that earned him the Nobel Peace Prize in 2014.

Sanket and Satyarthi discussed and shared opinions about how to make people more aware about children's rights, how to instill more human values to them and how to involve rich people of the society in such works.  
 Kailash highly praised Hanif Sanket for his silent contribution in nation building through his hugely popular programme 'Ittyadi' for more than three decades.  
 Hanif Sanket said, "I feel those who inflict torture to minors are not human. They are worse than animals. To protect and promote children's rights in our country we also need similar movement that Kailash did in the form of 'Bachpan Bachao Andolon'."

**Ask Away To RAHUL ANAND**

**ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT DESK**  
 Star Arts & Entertainment brings you the golden opportunity to ask your favourite personalities from the cultural fraternity questions you have always wanted to. Every month in 2016, one celebrity will take on your questions, and the best questions and their answers will be published in The Daily Star.  
 Rahul Anand, the gifted singer, multi-instrumentalist and the frontman of Joler Gaan, is the featured artiste of this month. Ask your questions away -- via email, along with your name, location and occupation, to [culturetds@gmail.com](mailto:culturetds@gmail.com) by 11am, March 4.



**SUPER CHEF Meet the Stars Sharmin Lucky**

**A CORRESPONDENT**  
 With the popular culinary reality TV show Rupchanda-The Daily Star Super Chef returning for a brand new season in less than a week, The Daily Star introduces you to the stars of the kitchen.  
 Sharmin Lucky, the chirpy, gorgeous presenter of the popular show "Siddiqa Kabir's Recipe" which aired on ntv for nine straight years, made a name for herself for her presence and spontaneity. Her modeling career took off at the same time

but she pursued other arts as well, culminating in her releasing an album of poetry recitations. Much-loved and highly knowledgeable about the culinary art, having worked under the tutelage of the famous nutritionist Siddiqa Kabir, Lucky brings her full-throttle charm on the Rupchanda-The Daily Star Super Chef kitchen yet again.  
 What do the participants have planned for her? Keep your eyes on ntv and watch this space as Rupchanda-The Daily Star Super Chef officially kicks off on March 5.



**Eluvietie confirms Dhaka tour**

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**  
 May 2016 will be a special month for metal-heads in Dhaka, as popular Swiss Folk Metal Band Eluvietie has confirmed their first ever tour of Bangladesh.  
 The band will perform in Dhaka on May 26 as part of their world tour, the band confirmed on their website and official Facebook page.  
 On their FB page, the band wrote, "BANGLADESH! We know you have been waiting a long time for this one, and trust us: so have we! We are beyond excited to announce our very first show in your wonderful country."  
 Founded in 2002 in Zurich, the Swiss band rose to worldwide

fame for their unique style of incorporating melodic death metal with traditional Celtic melodies.  
 Eluvietie describe themselves as "The new wave of folk metal", and their music heavily relies on traditional European instruments, including the hurdy-gurdy and bagpipes, amidst guitars and both clean and harsh vocals.  
 The band has won many hearts across the world following the release of their major-label album "Slania" in 2008. The album peaked at number 35 in the Swiss charts and number 72 in the German charts.  
 Green Events will be arranging their concert. Details about venue and tickets will be announced soon.



**VISHAL-SHEKHAR TO PERFORM IN DHAKA**

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**  
 Bollywood singer-composer duo Vishal-Shekhar is all set to sway the Dhaka audience with their music on March 11 evening.  
 The duo, along with popular playback singer Shruti Pathak, will perform at "A Night with Vishal-Shekhar" concert at Naboratri Hall of International Convention City Bashundhara.  
 Vishal-Shekhar has released a video message for their fans in Dhaka confirming the concert.  
 Event Management 360 Degree and Times Square are jointly organising the concert.  
 Vishal Dadlani and Shekhar Ravjiani, known mostly as Vishal-Shekhar, are tremendously popular in Bollywood. Together they have created scores of popular tunes, and lent their voices to some of the most popular tracks.  
 Further details about the concert can be seen on the event's Facebook page.

