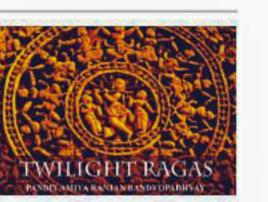


**CD Lunching Ceremony** Title: Twilight Raga Singer: Pandit Amiya Ranjan Bandyopadhyay Venue: Bengal Cafe, Dhanmondi 27 Time: 7pm; Date: March 14









Tareque Masud Festival Organiser: Tareque Masud Venue: Bangladesh Shilpakla Date: March 12-13; Time: 6pm





MASUD FESTIVAL

beings at BSA

TAREQUE

Lecture at the seminar room of the National STAFF CORRESPONDENT 

A two-day festival to commemorate noted filmmaker late Tareque Masud began at Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy (BSA) on March 12. Tareque Masud Memorial Trust is organizing the third edition of the festival in association with Moviyana Film Society and Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy.

On the opening day, noted Indian film scholar Biren Das Sharma, Associate Professor of Satyajit Ray Film and Television Institute, Kolkata presented Tareque Masud Memorial

Theatre Hall. The theme of the lecture was "Hollywood's Orientalism".

The main part of the festival will take place today. The awards ceremony of Tareque Masud Young Filmmakers' Competition and film screening will be held at the Chitrashala Auditorium of Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy today at 6pm.

Young filmmakers between the ages of 16-25 submitted their films on the theme "Justice is My Right". Of them, top 10 films will be screened at the festival.

The best filmmaker will receive Tareque Masud Young Filmmaker Award and a cash prize, while top six filmmakers will receive scholarships to study filmmaking with Bangladesh Film Institute (BFI) and Moviyana Film Society.

Khushi Kabir, coordinator of NGO Nijera Kori, human rights lawyer Sara Hossain and Tareque Masud Memorial Trust chairperson Catherine Masud will speak at the awards ceremony. Liaquat Ali Lucky, director general of Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy, will preside over programme.

# BRSS holds Rabindra Sangeet Festival



Srikanta performs at the programme.

SAURAV DEY

Bangladesh Rabindra Sangeet Shilpi Sangstha (BRSS) held a two-day Rabindra Sangeet Festival at Nandan Mancha of Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy on March 11-12.

The festival was inaugurated on Friday evening with eminent litterateur Syed Manzoorul Islam as chief guest. Fahim Hossain Chowdhury, general secretary of BRSS delivered the welcome address.

IT'S TRUE

US actress Jessica Alba started a

family and eco-friendly brand, The

natural diapers, body care and non-

became a mom for the first time (to

daughter Honor Mary Warren, in

2008). Later, she has also founded

provides low-income children ages

other basic necessities. By distribut-

ing new and gently used items to 68

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pitals, the charity served over a

including homeless and domestic

violence shelters and children's hos-

hundred thousand children last year.

the Baby2Baby charity, which

Honest Company, which provides

toxic cleaning products, after she

PHOTO: SHEIKH MEHEDI MORSHED

Following a brief inauguration ceremony, the performance of the first night began. A host of popular Tagore artistes from Kolkata and Dhaka shared the stage to present the audience with an evening of blissful melo-

Adrita Anwar set off the musical soiree with "Notun Kore Pabo Boley" which was followed by Arifur Rahman Timun's "Dujone

Dekha Holo". Then Barnali Biswas presented "Amar Hiyar Majhe", followed by Mejbaul Alam Manju's "Choitro Pobone Mon Chittomone". Laila Afroze then recited from Tagore's "Geetanjali".

Popular Indian singer Madhurima Dutta Choudhury came on the stage next to present "Ei Je Tomar Premo Ogo". This was followed by "O Amar Chaand er Alo", and "Ami Tomar Songe Bedhechhi Amar Pran" on a melodious

Bangladeshi artistes Rana Kumar Sinha, Majibul Kaiyum and Aklima Khatun Hiya presented one Tagore song each before leaving the stage for Indian singer Probuddha

Raha, a prominent Tagore singer, began his performance by praising Bangladeshi artistes and audience for promoting Rabindra Sangeet. He sang Tagore's popular numbers "Jete Jete Ekla Pothe", "Amaro Porano Jaha Chaye", "Na Chahile Jare Pawa Jaye", and "Ei Kothati Mone Rekho".

Fahim Hossain Chowdhury came next on the stage with Tagore's Puja parjaya song "Ar Koto Durey Achhe She Anandadham".

The last half an hour was reserved for celebrated Indian singer Srikanta Acharya. Srikanta began his performance with a monsoon song "Emono Diney Tare Bola Jay" which was followed by "Dekha Pelem Phalguney".

Srikanto mesmerized the audience with "Boro Asha Kore Eshechhi" and "Tomay Gaan Shonabo", and wrapped up his performance with "Jokhon Porbe Na Mor Payer Chinho".



Nipa (2-R) at the inauguration.

# Iqbal and Nipa's works at UNESCO exhibit

A CORRESPONDENT

Artworks by reputed Bangladeshi artists Maqsuda Iqbal Nipa and Mohammad Iqbal were displayed at the UNESCO exhibition in Paris on March 8, marking the International Women's Day.

The 10-day exhibition was inaugurated by Irina Bokova, Director General of UNESCO at Sale des Pas Perdue of UNESCO Building. She praised the role of Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina in women empowerment in

Bangladesh. The Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to UNESCO, M Shahidul Islam introduced the two Bangladeshi artists and their artworks. Paris-based renowned Bangladeshi artist Shahabuddin Ahmed, diplomats, French government officials, and art enthusiasts from the French society attended the event.

The theme of this year's exhibition is "Women's role in Sustainable Development", which brought together paintings by artists from Armenia, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Togo, Turkey and Ukraine.

Nipa and Iqbal were selected to represent the Asia-Pacific region, and contributed four paintings each to the exhibition.

The exhibition remains open for public until March 18.

PHOTO: ALI ABBAS ZAFAR / TWITTER Bollywood actress Anushka Sharma takes on a tough new avatar in upcoming

film "Sultan", which stars Salman Khan in the titular role of a wrestler. In a still shared by the film's director Ali Abbas Zafar on Twitter, Anushka is seen body-slamming an opponent in a wrestling match. Both the actors are preparing rigorously for their roles in the film, which releases this Eid.

### "Uthan Natya Utshab" at JKKNIU

#### Courtyard drama for villagers

AMINUL ISLAM, Mymensingh

A three-day Uthan Natya Utshab, the first of its kind in the country was organised recently by artistes of Theatre and Performing Arts Department of Jatiya Kabi Kazi Nazrul Islam University (JKKNIU).

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At the opening ceremony, two plays, "Data Horishchandrer Pala" and "Beillar Nachari" were staged at the courtyard of Nuru Member of village Namapara in Trishal.

Other plays, "Tentul Gaach", "Bishad Sindhu", "Buro Shaliker Ghare Ro", and "Mohabidya", were staged on the second and concluding day at the courtyards of Pappu Miah and Jamal Uddin of the local-

At the inaugural ceremony, Syed Mamun Reza, head of Theatre and

Performing Arts Department said, "The festival is aimed to bring plays that incorporate century old traditions to rural people so that they can learn about our old traditions and cultural heritage." "As institutional education, the theatre

will enrich modern theatre and the century-old history of theatre as well," said Mamun Reza. The festival was received very well among rural people as the university stu-

festival with a large body of folk elements

dents performed spontaneously at the homesteads of the rural people, added Mamun Reza. Eminent theatre personality Shahadat

Hossain Khan Hilu, Saimon Zakaria, Palakar Abdul Malek and Lalon researcher Saleh Sarker were present at the opening ceremony.



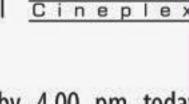
Audience enjoys a performance at the festival.





# **Quiz Contest**

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**QUIZ - 01** 

1.Which film category KUNG FU PANDA 3 falls in? 2. Who is the director of KUNG FU PANDA 3?