





Musical Soiree Title: Praner Khela Artiste: Iffat Ara Dewan & Mofizur Rahmar Venue: Bengal Shilpalaya Date: March 31; Time: 7pm





Sofia Coppola joins "The Beguiled" remake

Sofia Coppola will write and direct a remake of "The Beguiled", the 1971 drama that starred Clint Eastwood, an individual familiar with the deal informed Variety magazine.

Nicole Kidman, Kirsten Dunst and Elle Fanning are in talks to star in the

The original story followed an injured Confederate soldier (played by Eastwood) who found refuge at an all-girls boarding school during the Civil War and conned his way into several lonely women's hearts.

This would mark a reunion for Coppola and Fanning, who starred in the filmmaker's drama "Somewhere". Coppola is also a frequent collaborator with Dunst, who has appeared in a handful of her films, including "Marie Antoinette".

Source: Variety





Struggle for Liberation in melodies and movies

Programme for Independence Day

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Marking the 45th anniversary of Independence Day, Chalachchitram Film Society and Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy (BSA) jointly arranged a musical programme and film screening at the National Art Gallery auditorium of BSA on March 29 and

The musical evening, held on Tuesday evening, captured the spirit of Liberation of Bangladesh and a few other countries.

The most spirited melodies of the country echoed in the voices of four reputed singers, while a lovely touch was added to the programme by showing songs of the freedom movements of six other countries on a projector screen.

The event, titled "Deshe Deshe Shadhinota O Mukti'r Gaan Ebong Chalachchitra" began with a choral rendition of "Mukti'r Mondir Sopan Toley" by Mahmudul Hasan, Nishi Kawsar, Mustafizur Rahman Turjo and Israt Jahan Bithi. Then Mohiuzzaman Chowdhury Moyna pre-

sented "Ma Go Bhabna Keno" before leaving the stage for noted singer Dalia Nausheen who performed the well-loved melody "Ek Shagor Rokter Binimoye".

Nasima Shaheen came up on the stage to pres-

ent "Ek Nodi Rokto Periye", while Mahmudul Hasan rendered another solo "Je Maatir Bukey Ghumiye Achhe".

The four artistes performed several solos each presenting some of the tremendously popular tracks.

Dalia Nausheen sang "Sei Rail Line er Dharey" and "Tara E Desher Sobuj Dhaner Sheesh e", while Nasima Shaheen performed "Sob Ko'ta Janala Khuley Dao Na" and "Swadhinota Ek Golap Fotano Din".

Mohiuzzaman Chowdhury Moyna presented "Rokto Golap Futechhe Oi" and "Salam Salam Hazar Salam".

Mahmudul Hasan sang "Mora Ektu Phul Ke Bachabo Boley", while Nasima Shahin and Dalia Nausheen jointly sang "Ekti Bangladesh Tumi Jagroto Jonota".

The musical soiree came to a close with the entire audience singing the iconic song "Purbo Digonte Surjo Uthechhe", written by Govinda Halder and composed by Samar Das, along with the artistes.

On March 30, two films: Palestinian film "The Time That Remains" by Elia Suleiman, and Bangladeshi film "Anil Bagchir Ekdin" by Morshedul Islam were screened at the programme.

REMINISCENCE

Arif Khan recalls Diti on her birthday

SHAH ALAM SHAZU

Popular TV director Arif Khan had worked with the recentlydeceased actress Parveen Sultana Diti on numerous occasions, and maintained a jovial relation with her till her last days. On Diti's 51st birth anniversary (today), he shared memories of the actress.

"I first met Diti many years ago, when I was a journalist with the Ananda Bichitra magazine. When I started making TV dramas, she made a guest appearance on my first work 'Dui Prante'.

"I always wished her on time on her birthday, usually over the phone. One time, I took flowers to her house on her birthday, but she was not home. She later called me when she saw the flowers; she was very happy. "She worked in many of my

plays; her last work from TV was with me, in 'Dolchhut Projapoti'. She filmed for it till last year's May, before she fell ill. "Diti apa once came to my

birthday with her son, Deepto. Subarna Mustafa, Afzal Hossaim, Sabina Yasmin and many others were there, and we had a great time. I told her we would have fun on her next birthday.

"Her birthday is here, but she is no more. I'd still like to wish her a happy birthday, from however afar. Wherever she is, I hope she's well."



Arif Khan (L) and Diti (2-R) with co-artistes at the sets of "Dolchut Projapoti".

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VIDYA BALAN

starts filming "Kahaani 2"



Vidya Balan has started shooting for "Kahaani 2", the sequel to her 2012 film.

The 38-year old actress is shooting in Kalimpong, a hill station in West Bengal. In a series of tweets, Vidya shared pictures from the sets. Sujoy Ghosh, who drew major critical acclaim for "Kahaani", is directing once again, with Arjun Rampal and Jugal Hansraj co-starring.

"Kahaani", which was directed by Sujoy, revolved around a pregnant woman named Vidya Bagchi, who was in search of her husband in the city of Kolkata. The film also featured Parambrata Chatterjee, Nawazuddin Siddiqui, Indraneil Sengupta, Dhritiman Chatterjee and Saswata Chatterjee, among

Kahaani, made on a shoestring budget, was noted for its deft portrayal of Kolkata, as the crew often employed guerrilla-filmmaking techniques on the city streets to avoid attracting attention. The film explored themes of feminism and motherhood in male-dominated Indian society. The film rode on critical appreciation and word-of mouth to go past 100 crore rupees in the worldwide box office in 50 days. "Kahaani" also won several awards, including three National Film Awards and five Filmfare Awards.

Vidya will soon be seen in "Te3N", directed by newcomer director Ribhu Dasgupta.



A permanent art gallery was inaugurated on March 29 at the National Art Plaza of Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy (BSA). Cultural Affairs Minister Asaduzzaman Noor inaugurated the gallery as chief guest on Tuesday evening, through a threemonth grand exhibition featuring 141 paintings and 10 sculptures by 96 artists of the country. Distinguished guests including Samarjit Chowdhury, Rafiqun Nabi, Hashem Khan, Syed Jahangir Liaquat Ali Lucky attended the programme.



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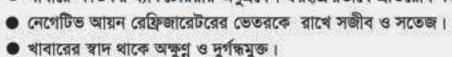








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