

**Concert**  
Let it Be: A Mellow Trip  
Organiser: InstruRave  
Venue: Shilpakala Academy  
Date: May 5; Time: 3pm

**Art Exhibition**  
Intimate Fears  
Artist: Anisuzzaman Sohel  
Venue: Bengal Art Lounge  
Date: May 7- June 4; Time: 12-8pm

**Group Painting Exhibition**  
Title: Shokkala  
Venue: Zainul Gallery, FFA, DU  
Date: April 24-30  
Time: 11am-8pm

**Concert**  
Vincent Meyer World Music Quartet  
Venue: Red Shift  
Date: April 30  
Time: 7pm

**Solo Art Exhibition**  
Title: Eternal Affection  
Artist: Sheikh Afzal  
Venue: Athena Gallery of Fine Arts  
Date: April 16-May 7  
Time: 10am-8pm



Asaduzzaman Noor speaks at the event.

# BENGAL FOUNDATION hands over art publications to public libraries

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Bengal Foundation recently handed over 40,000 pieces of art publications including, art catalogues, folios and books to 70 branches of upazila, district and divisional level public libraries of Bangladesh. About 237 items of 564 fine art-related books, folios and catalogues have already been reached to the libraries.

attended the event as chief guest while Begum Akhtari Momtaz, Cultural Affairs secretary and Ashish Kumar Sarker, Director General of Public Library Department were present as special guests. Luva Nahid Choudhury, Director General, Bengal Foundation hosted the event elaborating the purpose of the endeavour while Abul Khair, Chairman of Bengal Foundation presided over the press meet.

showcasing the art catalogues, folios and books at every branch of public libraries. I congratulate the initiative and believe, in the days ahead, the joint initiatives between the Government and Bengal Foundation will continue in many regards to build a better nation," said Asaduzzaman Noor.

A press conference was held yesterday in this regard at Pan Pacific Sonargaon Hotel. Asaduzzaman Noor, Cultural Affairs minister,

"I sincerely thank Bengal Foundation for presenting the art publications to public library. We have already dedicated spaces for

building national taste.



# Laila Sharmeen to exhibit at World Art Games

Noted Bangladeshi artist Laila Sharmeen will put up her recent works in mixed media on paper at the 9-day 3rd World Art Games to be held in different cities of Montenegro, beginning May 4. The exhibition of games will open at the oldest art institutions of the country Gallery of Association of Visual Artists of Montenegro. The show will then travel to other major cities of Montenegro including Sutomore and Kotor, says a press release.

international shows to her credit. Currently director of Hyacinth Garden Gallery, Sharmeen's works are in the permanent collection of Atatürk Museum in Izmir, National Museum of Bangladesh, Central Bank of Bangladesh, Grameen Phone, Eastern Bank Ltd. and in many private collections at home and abroad. Her works show both a modernist preoccupation with time, flux, the loss of a centre and disappearance of faith and a concern for beauty and truth, imagination and solitude. She is also

deeply influenced by the ancient philosophical text Brihadaranyaka Upanishad containing Hindu and Buddhist concepts, particularly the ones regarding three duties that each individual must perform: Datta, Dayadvam, Damyata meaning give, compassion and control.

# Rupchanda-The Daily Star Super Chef Top 10 challenge: Leslie lays down the law

Leslie Gilliams, one of the most polarising chefs in the 5th Season of Masterchef US, brings his artistic flair and temperament to the Super Chef kitchen tonight. Considered one of the best home chefs in the world, Leslie Gilliams will be preparing a challenge that will really test the mettle of the not only the other home chefs but also ones with a professional background.

An added incentive for the participants to do well must be that this is the fight for a spot in the last nine. Having already made it to the top 10, the title is now too close to lose over silly mistakes or lapses of concentration, thus expect each challenger to fight hard.

son and thus this episode promises to be quite a cracker. The top 10 are here but winning this moves them to the next round. The kitchen is still heating up and there seems to be no respite in spite. With the prize money and the Super Chef crown hanging in the balance, a lot is indeed at stake.



Two contestants deep in concentration at the kitchen.

# SHAKESPEARE celebrated at JKKNIU

**AMINUL ISLAM, Mymensingh**  
Marking 452nd birth anniversary and 400th death anniversary of William Shakespeare, a daylong festival was held on the campus of Jatiya Kabi Nazrul Islam University (JKKNIU) in Mymensingh this past week.

rally was brought out in the morning. Students, dressed up with the characters of Shakespeare's writings joined the rally. A seminar on the life and works of Shakespeare was also held. Prof Dr Mohi Ull Alam, vice-chancellor of the university was the chief guest. Treasurer of the university Prof AMM Shamsur Rahman, head of English Department Prof Dr Mohammad Imdadul Huda, Prof Dr Sheikh Mehdi Hasan also addressed the seminar with Prof Dr Bijoy Bushan Das in the chair. A keynote paper, "Power Politics in Shakespeare" was presented at the seminar.



Teachers and students bring out a colourful rally.

The immortal works of the bard like "Hamlet", "Romeo and Juliet" and "King Lear" have influenced literature and theatre for over 400 years and are doing till date, speakers said.

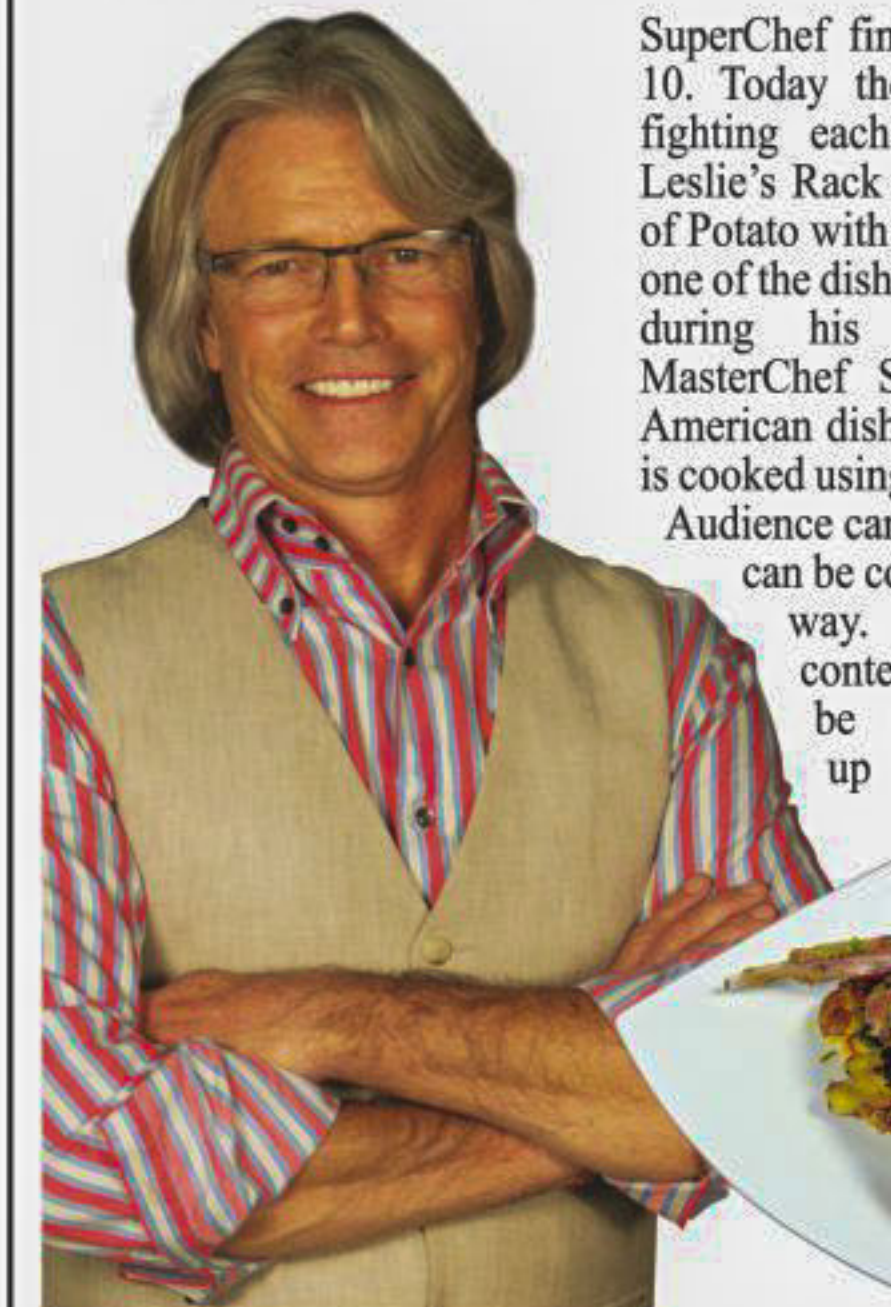
# ALICIA VIKANDER is the new Lara Croft

"The Danish Girl" star Alicia Vikander has nabbed one of Hollywood's most coveted leading roles. Vikander will be playing Lara Croft in the MGM and GK Films' "Tomb Raider" reboot; it was announced Thursday. Norwegian helmer Roar Uthaug is on board to direct.



Source: Variety

# WHAT IS CHEF LESLIE'S CHALLENGE FOR TODAY'S EPISODE?



SuperChef finally found its top 10. Today the top 10 will be fighting each other to master Leslie's Rack of Mutton on Bed of Potato with Coleslaw dish. It's one of the dishes that Leslie made during his participation in MasterChef Season 5. It's an American dish where the mutton is cooked using the stove & oven. Audience can learn how mutton can be cooked in a different way. What about the contestants? Will they be able to perform up to Leslie's expectation? Khaled Rabbani from Feni has come a long way proving his skills, Hasina Irfan gradually going towards the title resolving her inaccuracies. Will they be able to master the dish? That's what we need to see in today's episode. Watch and find out.

Watch Every Saturday and Sunday 9PM only on ntv