


WHAT'S ON


Theatre
The Trial of Mallam Ilya
Troupe: BotTala
Venue: National Theatre Hall, Shilpakala
Date: May 15; Time: 7pm



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



Solo Painting Exhibition
Retrospective
Artist: Abdus Shakoor
Venue: Shilpangan Gallery
Date: May 1-15
Time: 12-8pm



Art Exhibition
Art Makes us Human
Artist: Najib Tareque
Venue: Studio 6/6, Mohammadpur
Date: May 15-25; Time: 4-10pm



Duet Exhibition
Parampara
Artists: Sribas Basak / Urmila Shukla
Venue: Zainul Gallery, Charukala
Date: May 16-26
Time: 12-8pm




Betrayal of Innocence and Beauty

Pulak' first solo opens at New York

STAFF CORRESPONDENT
Aicon Gallery, New York has organised a monthlong (April 22-May 21) solo exhibition titled "Betrayal of Innocence and Beauty" by promising Bangladeshi artist Promotesh Das Pulak. This is Pulak's first solo exhibition in USA.
The show comprises two major series: his sculptural pieces composed of war equipment assembled by small flowers made of shola, usually used as a traditional craft material; and his iconographic interpretations of the 1971 War of Liberation titled "Echoed Moments in Time".
Through his works, the artist critically questions the current social and political scenario in his home country Bangladesh as well as vital global issues faced by humanity.
Pulak was born in 1980 in Bangladesh. He completed his MFA (Major in Drawing and

Painting) in 2004 from the Faculty of Fine Art, University of Dhaka. The use of diverse material has played a pivotal role in his artistic practice. The juxtaposition between organic natural elements and combat equipment suggests a betrayal of innocence and beauty. The artist often incorporates other media such as painting, video, image manipulation, photography, and installation in his artistic pursuit.
Pulak represented his country at the 54th Venice Biennale in the Bangladeshi Pavilion along with a select group of artists. He was nominated as an emerging artist in the sculpture category at the Prudential Eye Awards in 2016.
The artist is also showcasing his sculpture series: works from his "Echoed Moments in Time" series which he displayed in the 54th Venice Biennale in 2011 and a series of six drawings.
The artist currently lives and works in Dhaka.

Hridi crowned Channel i Shera Nachiye

A CORRESPONDENT
Reality television show Channel i Shera Nachiye crowned a winner for this year's competition, in a grand finale held on Friday at the Bangabandhu International Conference Centre. Farzana Hridi Sheikh, a contestant from Dhaka, was named champion, taking home a brand new car and a diamond crown. Sinthia Yasmin Nupur and Umme Habiba Shobha were named first and second runner-up respectively. The winners received film, television play and telefilm contracts along with prize money. Another contestant, Suraiya Islam Ria, received a dance scholarship.
Two of the judges of the show, Meher Afroze Shaon and Ferdous, both performed at the gala, as did



Nupur, Hridi and Shobha after the results are announced.
film stars Purnima and Mim. The other judge, Munmun Ahmed, could not attend as she is out of the country. A number of other musical and dance performances entertained the audience.
Around 45,000 contestants from across the country participated in the competition, from which best seven made it to the grand finale.



Tarin prefers modeling over acting

A CORRESPONDENT
Model and actress Tarin has been regular in TV commercials of late, featuring in three commercials recently. Moreover, she has just wrapped up work of a special drama, titled "Bhangachura", based on a short story written by Zahir Raihan. Here she takes the role of Tunu, the daughter of a noble family who decides to marry on her own accord and chose a life of struggles. Asked about the work, Tarin says, "I have worked on Zahir Raihan's work before, but this role of Tunu was challenging. I always feel at ease to work in commercials, rather than dramas. In a commercial, you can convey a lot in a short time. So if the story and the product are on point, I am more interested in working in commercials."
"Vangachura", directed by Ashutosh Sujon, also has Riaz in the cast. The drama is expected to air in ntv this Eid.



TV WATCH
SHESH BIKELER GAAN on ntv

A CORRESPONDENT
Drama serial "Shesh Bikeler Gaan" will air on ntv tonight at 8:20pm. The serial, jointly written by Hridi Haq and Lucky

Enam, has been directed by Hridi Haq, and encircles the lives of elderly people living in a safe home. The serial boasts a heavy-weight cast including Mosharrar Karim, Tania Ahmed, Litu Anam, Shaju Khadem, Dr. Ezaz, Nayeem, Naznin Hasan Chumki, Shriya Sharbojaya, Syed Hasan Imam, Dr. Enamul Haq, Prabir Mitra, Sharmili Ahmed, Dilara Zaman, Dolly Zahur, and Shampa Reza.

NEWS bytes

Michael B Jordan Joins Black Panther

"Black Panther" is a little over two years away, but casting news for T'Challa's solo movie is starting to seep in. It was announced yesterday that Michael B Jordan is joining the cast of the Ryan Coogler-directed superhero movie about one of the breakout stars of "Captain America: Civil War". "Black Panther" will be Coogler's third feature film and the third that stars Michael B Jordan.
Jordan will be joining the cast which so far mainly consists of Chadwick Boseman in the lead role. Recently, there were rumblings that Lupita Nyong'o was in negotiations to join the film as well, and if she does sign on, then this is shaping up to be an absolutely stacked cast.
There isn't much of a word on which character Jordan will be playing, but Hollywood Reporter believes it will be a villain.
The film is slated for release on February 16, 2018.



Source: **Cinemablend**

Kriti Sanon injured on "Raabta" set

It looks like Kriti Sanon will have to give her action-packed schedule in Budapest a break for a day or two. The actress reportedly injured her ankle while shooting an action sequence for the upcoming film "Raabta", which required her to run atop a castle roof.
When she lost her balance, she crashed into the safety mat but twisted her ankle in the process. While she was given medical aid instantly, the doctors have asked her to take it easy for a couple of days so as not to worsen the injury, though Kriti is keen to continue shooting.
"Raabta" directed by Dinesh Vijan, stars Sushant Singh Rajput along with Sanon in the leading roles. The film was originally scheduled for 2015 but was delayed due to casting troubles; Alia Bhatt was initially approached to play the female lead, but scheduling issues prevented that from happening, before Kriti joined this year.
"Raabta" is scheduled for release on February 12, 2017.



Source: **Internet**

CHEF FRED'S CHALLENGE



harder to make her way to the finale. Sabrina from Chittagong has always wanted to do something to prove her skills. She has fought and made it into the top 7. Will she be able to master Chef Fred's dish and move towards her goal? Watch all the intense competition, cooking, and get entertained. Not only that, also learn this famous Thai recipe from Chef Fred just by watching Rupchanda - The Daily Star Super Chef 2016.
Watch Every Saturday and Sunday 9PM only on **ntv**
Repeat time is Sunday & Monday 1:10 pm