

Celebrating Life at Jatiya Kabi Kazi Nazrul Islam University



The Daily Star and Standard Chartered Bank started an initiative nine years back to patronize those with hidden talents in film making, photography and lyric writing, titled Celebrating Life. The initiative aims to capture the Heritage of Bangladesh through Film, Photography and Lyrics, and bring out talented artists in the field from all across Bangladesh. The winning works from last year were selected and showcased at different uni-

versities across Bangladesh through Celebrating Life Festivals.

A photo exhibition and film screening was recently arranged at the Jatiya Kabi Kazi Nazrul Islam University. The winning photographs from Celebrating Life 2015 were exhibited along with a number of short films and documentaries. The photo exhibition was inaugurated by the Treasurer, Prof. A. M. M. Shamsur Rahman. Since the exams were underway,

few students showed up at the inauguration ceremony; however, the hall was abuzz and packed with students soon after. The first half of the film showcase was scheduled from noon till 3:00 pm, and the second half from 3:00-6:00 pm. Accompanying the enthusiastic students, there were a handful of professors at the first screening which was a house-full, but interestingly, despite the absence of air conditioners, there were even more stu-

dents for the second screening. The lack of seats and the humid environment did not seem to ruin their concentration towards the film. A few students from the first screening enjoyed it so much that they decided to stay back for the second.

Overall, the daylong event came to an end as anticipated, leaving everyone with a sense of gratitude towards Celebrating Life and hoping for more such initiatives in the future.



COMING SOON

X-Men: Apocalypse

Following the critically acclaimed global smash hit "X-Men: Days of Future Past," director Bryan Singer returns with "X-Men: Apocalypse."

Since the dawn of civilization, he was worshipped as a god. Apocalypse, the first and most powerful mutant from Marvel's X-Men universe, amassed the powers of many other mutants, becoming immortal and invincible. Upon awakening after thousands of years, he is disillusioned with the world as he finds it and recruits a team of powerful mutants, including a disheartened Magneto (Michael Fassbender), to cleanse mankind and create a new world order, over which he will reign. As the fate of the Earth hangs in the balance, Raven (Jennifer Lawrence) with the help of Professor X (James McAvoy) must lead a team of young X-Men to stop their greatest nemesis and save mankind from complete destruction.

Making its U.S. debut on the 27th of May, the million-dollar question isn't whether the series can maintain or exceed its \$230-\$235 million domestic peak, but rather if it can build or maintain on X-Men: Days of Future Past.