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Oscar winning  
director Michael  
Cimino dies

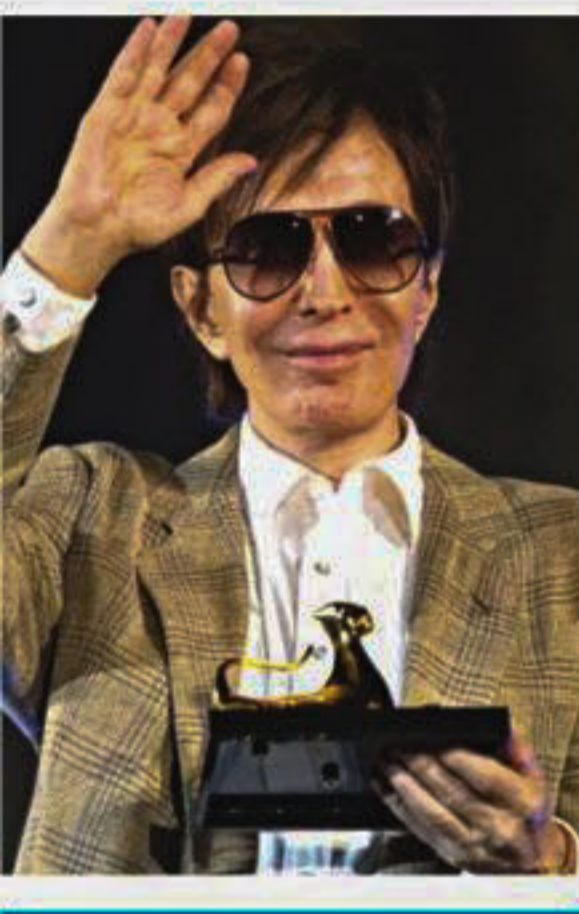
Acclaimed director Michael Cimino, who won Oscars as director and a producer of the powerful 1978 Vietnam War drama "The Deer Hunter" has died. He was 77.

Thierry Fremaux, director of the Cannes Film Festival, announced the news on Twitter soon after his death on Saturday. Cimino had been living in Beverly Hills but no further details on the circumstances of his death has been found.

Actor Robert De Niro sent a statement mourning the director: "Our work together is something I will always remember. He will be missed."

Cimino directed eight films in his career. His first was 1974's "Thunderbolt and Lightfoot"; his second was the 1978 Vietnam War masterpiece "The Deer Hunter," which won five Academy Awards, including best picture and director; his third was 1980's "Heaven's Gate," the film that became synonymous with showbiz disaster; and the rest were mostly footnotes.

Source: THR



"I still get Eidee from my father-in-law"

... Shahed

SHAH ALAM SHAZU

TV actor Shahed Sharif Khan has ridden the waves of success for over 12 years. Besides acting, he has ventured into modeling and TV play direction. The actor recently talked to The Daily Star about his Eid plans.

How do you spend Eid day?

Shahed: It goes by happily. After returning from Eidgah, I stay at home and feast on special dishes. At night I go to my in-laws' house. My children really enjoy the day. I hope to offer prayers with my son this Eid.

Where will you celebrate Eid?

Shahed: I am very busy the year round, but dur-

ing Eid holidays I take some time to relax. I love traveling, so plan to head off to Sylhet this time.

In keeping with a new trend, did you eat out at sehri this year?

Shahed: I did, occasionally. Once my children wanted to go out for sehri so I went along with them.

What are your favourite delicacies on Eid?

Shahed: Polao and dessert.

What was Eid like during your childhood?

Shahed: Those days were really wonderful. We used to have great fun receiving Eidee and new attires. We first targeted our grandparents for Eidee.

Do you still get Eidee?

Shahed: I get it from my father-in-law, but now I have to shell out much more than I receive.

Eid Albums Galore

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As previous years, the audio industry is releasing a number of albums marking Eid-ul-Fitr. Most of the albums have already hit the audio market. One of the major labels, G-Series, along with its sister concern Agniweena, has released over 100 albums for this Eid. The albums largely feature new and popular artistes.

Fahmida Nabi and Shaik Uddin Shan's pop-modern album "Shada Kalo" is one of



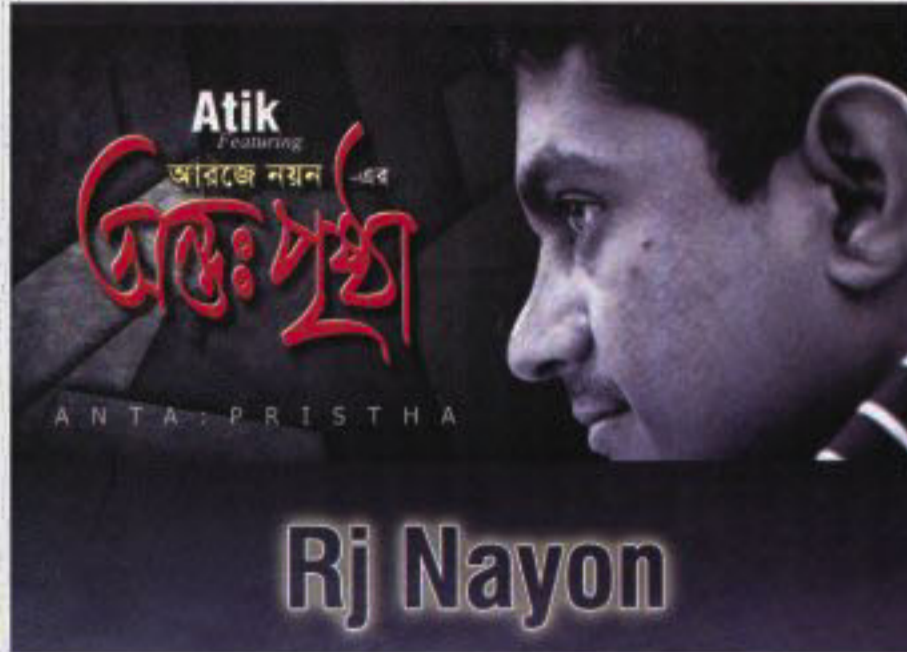
"Shomoyer Karagar" by Vengeance, a mel-low rock album "Artonad 2", featuring mixed artistes, a mixed album "Anuruper Gaan" and a black metal album "The Messenger Of Last Avatar" by Satanik are also available.

On the other hand, another label CMV has brought out some new albums. Composed by Joy Shahrar, a mixed album "Bolchi Shono" by Bappa Mazumder, Tahsan and Joy Shahrar, is now available while Arfin Rumey, Porshi and Sheniz also



the hit albums. Shan has composed and directed music for the album. Priyanka Gope's semi-classical album "Chand Janla" and two solo pop-modern albums "Mitu Karmaker" by Mitu Karmaker and "Latim" by Tanveer Alam Shawjeeb are also being rapidly picked up.

"Hit Album 5" features pop-modern songs recorded by Tahsan, Topu, F.A.Sumon, Imran, Jhilik, Rahi and Mahadi. Bibek featuring various artistes'



feature in another mixed adhunik album "Tomari Naam-e".

Kishore featuring mixed album "Tolpaar" has been recorded by popular singers -Kumar Bishwajit, Bappa Mazumder, SI Tutul, Tahsan, Nancy and Belal Khan. Popular singers - Elita and Kishore - feature in a duet album "Tumi ar Ami" while Rinku and Kazi Shubho have recorded songs for a folk fusion album "Paap Punno". Parvez's solo album "Pagol", fea-



pop-modern album titled, "Valentino" is one of the albums set for release.

The label has brought solo Tagore songs' albums -- "Shonkhodhoni" by Nirjher Chowdhury, "Shurer Badhoney" by Tanjina Toma, "Neerer Pakhi" by Monzu Rashid and "O Bhai Kanai" by Chanchal Khan -- to the market.

Among the folk and folk fusion albums Sandipan's "Chittagonger Gaan 1", "Nitto Gyan-e" by Sagar Baul and "Saju Mela" by Saju are noteworthy, while Shwapnil Shojib and Tulika have recorded a Rabindra and folk album "Epar Opar" for the label.

G-Series' punk rock album "Ai Oddhay" by Metaphor; a rock album "Blue Print", by mixed bands, a metal album



tures pop modern song by the label.

Young singer RJ Nayon features in an adhunik album "Anta: Pristha" by Atik under the label of Suranjoli.

Daniel  
Radcliffe  
plays dead  
at 'Swiss  
Army Man'  
premiere



Actor Daniel Radcliffe played dead on the red carpet at the Moscow International Film Festival premiere of his film "Swiss Army Man".

Radcliffe wore a full navy blue suit and patterned dress shirt for the red carpet event, but instead of posing for photographs, he got into character and simply lay down on the ground looking pale and dead, reports usmagazine.com.

In the film, which also stars Paul Dano as a suicidal man, Radcliffe plays a corpse that Dano rides across the

ocean like a Jet Ski. But rather than being propelled by an engine, the corpse is mobilised by the Harry Potter star's flatulence.

The film premiered to mixed reviews at the Sundance Film Festival earlier this year, with an eyewitness saying that the audience had no qualms about expressing their distaste.

"Many people walked out during the show. At least 25 percent of the theatre," the eyewitness said.

Source: US Magazine

Fans won't  
forget me

... Priyanka Chopra

Actress Priyanka Chopra is busy pursuing her career in Hollywood but doesn't feel that the audience back home in India will forget her.

"There have been actors male and female who have taken a sabbatical, whose films haven't come up in two-three years. I don't think that if they (Indian audience) won't see me they will forget me. I am not an insecure person," Priyanka told reporters.

The 33-year-old actress won't be seen in Hindi films as she busy with other ventures. She has filmed the season two of her hit television show "Quantico" which is to begin in September. Her Hollywood debut movie "Baywatch" will release in May next year.

"I don't think I have to do a film in Hindi just to be seen. My show comes every Saturday you all can see me on screen. Even my film 'Baywatch' will be releasing soon," she said.

However, the star is open to do a Hindi film if something excites her.

The actress-turned-singer revealed that the makers of "Baywatch" will aggressively promote the film in India bringing the entire cast to Priyanka's homeland, considering the popularity of the actress.

Source: NDTV



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