

WHAT'S ON

Celebration Programme
 Sheikh Hasina's 70th Birthday
 Venue: Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy
 Date: September 28
 Time: 6pm



Group Art Exhibition of Bangladeshi Artists
 Title: "Search the Truth of Beauty" - Dedicated to the memory of SM Sultan
 Venue: Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy
 Date: September 23-29
 Time: 11am-8pm



National Theatre Festival
 Organiser: Group Theatre Federation (BGTF)
 Venue: Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy
 Date: September 24- October 11
 Time: 6pm



Korean Film Festival
 Organiser: The Embassy of the Republic of Korea
 Venue: Bangladesh National Museum
 Date: October 1-5
 Time: 10:30am, 2:30pm and 6pm



Solo Metal Sculpture Exhibition
 Title: Hard Emotion
 Artist: Arham Ul Haq Chowdhury
 Venue: Alliance Francaise Dhaka
 Date: September 23- October 7
 Time: 3-9pm




"Acting is my prayer"

... Shahiduzzaman Selim
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Popular TV and film actor Sahiduzzaman Selim has been a dependable name in theatre, television and film for three decades. His latest big screen venture, "Oggatonama", has garnered rave reviews. Besides, he has ventured into TV direction in recent years. Selim spoke to The Daily Star about his regrets on the career front, aspirations and his recent film:

Do you think that your acting potential has been fully explored?
 Selim: I would say that cinema has tapped only 10 percent of my acting skills, while in the small screen it has been about 30 percent. I regret that I still haven't got a role which would challenge me as an actor.

So, what exactly are you looking for as an actor?
 Selim: I always welcome challenges. I want to play roles that are fulfilling and stay in people's memory. Every artiste wants this. I want to go beyond awards and just give my best as an actor.

Tell us about your experience of "Oggatonama"?
 Selim: The entire team put in tireless efforts to come up with a good production, though we had to shoot the film in sweltering heat, often without basic modern conveniences that we take for granted.

What approach will you take if you make a film?

Selim: It will be a full-fledged entertainment movie, where there is no scope of a cheap plot or vulgarity. I have set my sights on a film that can be viewed by the entire family.

How big a part of your life is your profession??
 Selim: Acting is my prayer and passion.

What was your first stage play?
 Selim: In 1983, the play "Kironkhola" was in production, when Humayun Faridee came to me and told me I would be acting in it. I played a character named Hazir Ali. I will never forget the first day of performing in a stage play.

What do you consider a turning point in your career on the small screen?
 Selim: The drama serial titled "Jonaki Jole" earned me fame. "Zero Point" was another defining moment. Two other plays also turned the tide in my favour.



Art and science project on Rampal

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

To educate people with science and art, a five-day combined art and science project is now on at Hurrka village, Rampal, Bagerhat. The project will feature four science-based workshops and an art competition.

Director General of National Museum of Science and Technology, Dhaka along with UNO of Rampal Upazilla and Chairman of Hurrka Union Parishad jointly inaugurated the workshops, art competition and exhibition on September 26. National Museum of Science and Technology and Back Art have joined hand to organise the project.

The project, to end on September 30, will showcase research-based artworks by 14 artists, who are now there to take part in the project. The participating artists are promising to conduct objective research on environmental issues of Rampal area in the backdrop of coal-based power project. They will also produce artworks on *Jholmolia Deeghi* (lake) at the Hurrka village and display performance art.

Jholmolia Deeghi is the only source of fresh drinking water of the village Hurrka. People cannot drink from other water sources because of salinity.

Therefore, people of four to five villages around the lake are dependent on this only drinking water source. Most of the people used to live on fishing. There are plenty of water sources around this area. Because of saline land people are barely able to cultivate it.

NEWS bytes

Metallica release video for new song

Did you know that moths go absolutely nuts for Metallica? It's a scientific fact backed up by the thrash legends' video for the new track "Moth Into Flame", the second song released off the band's upcoming album "Hardwired...To Self-Destruct".

Like they did with "Hardwired", Metallica offer a no-frills video for "Moth Into Flame", performing the explosive cut in a black room filled with light bulbs while fans get a few moments of Metallica playing the new track in moth-vision.

"Hardwired...To Self-Destruct" releases on November 18 and was produced by



Greg Fidelman, along with front-man James Hetfield and drummer Lars Ulrich, and is available for pre-order in a variety of configurations including 12 songs on a double CD, vinyl, digital download, as well as a deluxe version including cover songs and live tracks.

The iconic thrash metal act rocked the 2016 Global Citizen Festival on September 24, playing to a massive crowd in New York City's iconic Central Park.

Source: Loudwire

DAISY RIDLEY joins "Peter Rabbit" live-action/animated film

Daisy Ridley and Elizabeth Debicki have joined the cast of Sony's live-action/animated hybrid "Peter Rabbit", starring Rose Byrne and James Corden.

The film will be directed by Will Gluck from a screenplay by Rob Lieber with revisions by Gluck. The adaptation will be made at Animal Logic, the Sydney-based animation and visual effects production studio behind the global blockbuster "The Lego Movie".

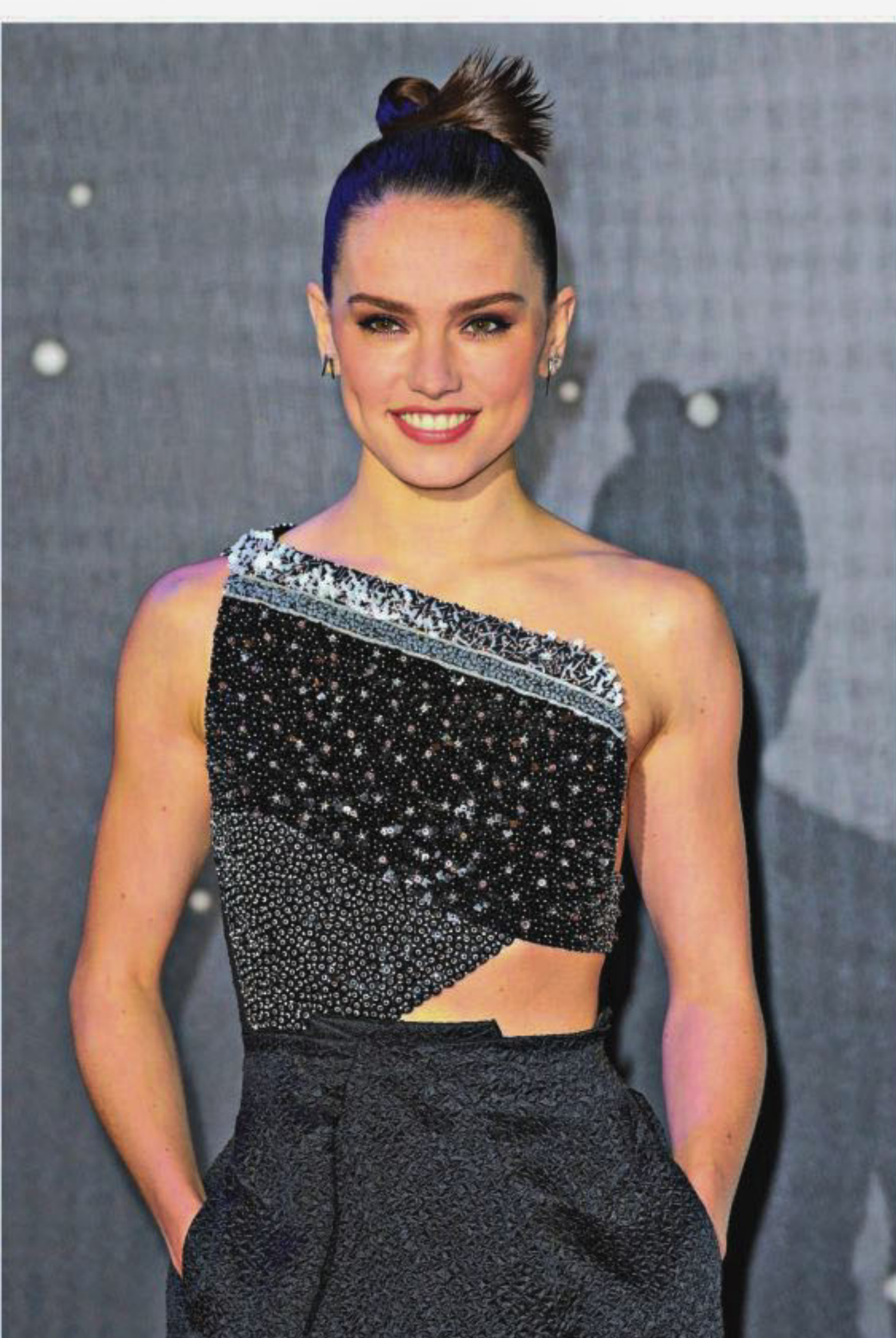
With this film, Columbia and Frederick Warne will bring Beatrix Potter's beloved character Peter Rabbit to a new family audience. Warne has been Beatrix Potter's publisher since its publication of "The Tale of Peter Rabbit" in 1902, and is home to the Peter Rabbit and Beatrix Potter brands.

Production on "Peter Rabbit" is due to commence in January 2017, and is set for worldwide release in April 2018. The film will be made with the support of the Australian Government through Screen Australia and Screen NSW, and in collaboration with Sony Pictures Animation. Lauren Abrahams will oversee the project for the studio.

After breaking out in "Star Wars: the Force Awakens", Ridley has quickly begun building her resume. Besides the upcoming "Star Wars: Episode VIII", she's also attached to star in the YA adaptation "Chaos Walking" at Lionsgate and the supernatural drama "Kolma" at Paramount, which reteams her with JJ Abrams. She is also set to headline "The Lost Wife" for producer Robbie Brenner.

Debicki is coming off the highly acclaimed "The Night Manager", which recently won an Emmy for best directing for a limited series for helmer Susanne Bier, and can be seen next in Paramount's "God Particle", which Abrams is also producing.

Source: Variety



Group art exhibit ends at BUET Auditorium

A CORRESPONDENT

"BUET Artista Society", the amateur artists of Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology, organised a three day (September 23-25) group art exhibition which concluded on September 25 at the BUET Auditorium Complex.

Despite being amateur artists, their artworks are impressive with regard to beautiful composition, colour balance and artistic themes.

Former president of IAB architect Mobasher Hossain inaugurated the show as chief guest. Students from every department of BUET participated with their best artworks at the show.

Apart from their academic feat, the BUET students proved how passionate and art loving they are through holding the exhibition. This society also organised a similar art exhibition last year which received appreciation from all corners.

Tanvir Intiaz Limon is the president and Shamim Ara Haque Shashi is the general secretary of this society. Both of them are students of Civil Engineering at BUET.

TV WATCH

SHOMPORKO on Rtv tonight

A CORRESPONDENT

Drama serial "Shomporko" airs on Rtv tonight at 7:40pm. Written and directed by Raihan Khan, it casts Abul Hayat, Mahfuz Ahmed, Tania Ahmed, Zakia Bari Mamo, Mehzabien Chowdhury, Mishu Sabbir, Nayeem, Arfan Ahmed, Tawsif Mahbub, and others.

The plot revolves around five young friends who go to Thailand for a photography course, and after a fun night on the Pattaya beach, they get caught up witness to a murder, and become stuck in a foreign country, in a very tight spot.

The series airs Sunday through Wednesday, at the same time.



Parineeti "Nervous, Excited" to work with Irrfan

Parineeti Chopra is excited as well as nervous about sharing screen space with actor Irrfan Khan in Homi Adajania's next film, "Takadum".

"I am very nervous, but I am very excited as well. He (Irrfan) is a global icon and he is known for his performances. To be able to stand with him on sets and act with him will be very exciting," Parineeti told PTI.

"I love this thing, when you have to work hard and there is an actor who keeps you on your toes," she said.

Parineeti's "Shudh Desi Romance" co-star Sushant Singh Rajput will also be seen in "Takadum".

"I am excited to be working with Sushant again. Homi Adajania comes from a different school of filmmaking, it's going to be amazing working on this film," the 27-year-old actress said.

The workshop for "Takadum" will begin in November.

Source: NDTV Movies

