

WHAT'S ON

Solo Painting Exhibition
 Title: EPOCH
 Artist: Monsur Ul Karim
 Venue: Gallery Twenty One, Dhanmondi
 Date: September 30- October 14
 Time: 12pm-8pm



Open Studio
 Subir Choudhury Practice Grant
 Artist: Abir Shome & Eshita Mitra
 Venue: Gyantapas Abdur Razzaq Bidyapeeth, Dhanmondi
 Date: September 30- October 21
 Time: 12-8pm



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



Solo Art Exhibition
 Title: "Of Nature, Boats & Faces"
 Artist: Hamiduzzaman Khan
 Venue: Shilpangan Gallery, H-7, Rd-13 (New), Dhanmondi
 Date: September 30-October 14
 Time: 12-8pm

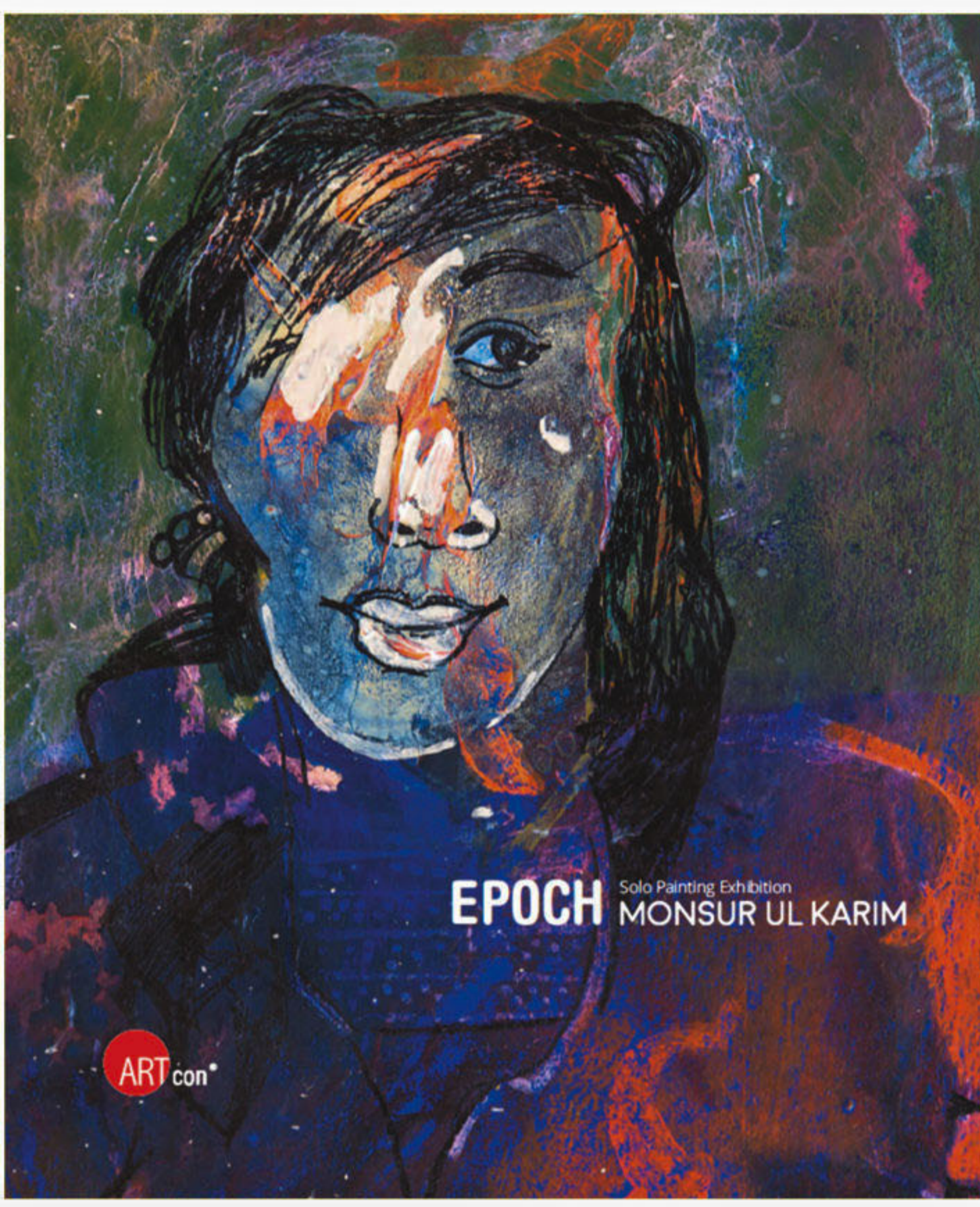


Solo Art Exhibition
 Title: METAMORPHIC - Naturally Transformed
 Artist: Rezaun Nabi
 Venue: Gallery Cosmos
 Date: October 14-28
 Time: 12-8pm



PHILOLOGY OF "EPOCH"

Monsur Ul Karim's solo exhibit at Gallery Twenty One



ZAHANGIR ALOM

Gallery Twenty One and ARTcon have jointly organised a 15-day solo painting exhibition titled "Epoch" by eminent artist Monsur Ul Karim at Gallery Twenty One in Dhanmondi. This is the 26th solo exhibition by the artist.

Eminent artists Monirul Islam and Hashem Khan; noted art critic and writer Professor Nazrul Islam and fashion designer Tootli Rahman jointly inaugurated the exhibition as special guests on September 30.

Artist Monsur came to prominence in the late '60s. As an experimental painter, he delves into figures, themes, colours and textures. His works zoom in on the struggles of common people. Sailing boats, fishing nets, clouds, monsoon, changing tides, erosion of riverbanks and the displacement of people have appeared as recurring themes in his paintings. He has a yearning for portraying his favourite subjects in his works, employing bright and lively colours to denote the Padma river and its surrounding atmosphere.

Monsur Ul Karim, in his present solo exhibition, is a little different in presentation of his works. Coming up with several variations, he is now more experimental with forms and colours. In general Monsur is more colourful in this exhibition than he

was ever before. He produces cool compositions of blues and dark greens with whitish cross bars. Some of the colour fields are flat; some are decorated with small forms and some with dots. Some canvases are composed with bright and contrasting vertical bars; some have a combination of horizontal and vertical spaces. Several compositions are basically abstract in nature while some with images of trees or human figures. In some works Mansur adds spaces decorated with irregular and unrecognisable form or image.

Monsur ul Karim was born in Rajbari in 1950. He did his graduation from the Institute of Arts (now the Faculty of Fine Art, University of Dhaka). Later, he completed his Masters in Fine Arts from Chittagong University. He has recently retired as a Professor from the same university. For his contributions to Bangladeshi art, the artist received many prestigious awards including "Ekushey Padak" in 2009 and "Sultan Padak" in 2014.

The exhibition, opening from 12 pm to 8 pm daily, will remain open till October 14.



NEWS bytes

Forest Whitaker joins "Black Panther"



Forest Whitaker has joined the cast of Marvel's "Black Panther", starring Chadwick Boseman.

Daniel Kaluuya and Florence Kasumba have also joined the cast.

The film, directed by "Creed" helmer Ryan Coogler, also stars Michael B Jordan, Lupita Nyong'o, and Danai Gurira. Boseman will play T'Challa, the prince of the African nation of Wakanda, who must take over the throne after his father's murder. Marvel unveiled the character in "Captain America: Civil War" in May before the standalone film bows on Feb. 16, 2018.

Whitaker will play the role of Zuri, an elder statesman in Wakanda. Kasumba will reprise her "Captain America: Civil War" role as Ayo, a member of the Dora Milaje. Kaluuya will play T'Challa confidant W'Kabi.

Whitaker has a busy fall schedule ahead of him with Paramount's "Arrival", directed by Denis Villeneuve and starring Amy Adams and Jeremy Renner, debuting next month and "Star Wars: Rogue One" opening in December. He was most recently seen in the boxing pic "Southpaw".

Source: Variety

Syed Haq commemorated in Pabna

AHMED HUMAYUN KABIR TOPU, Pabna

Versatile writer Syed Samsul Haq was commemorated in Pabna through discussion and cultural programme organised by Sammilito Sangshkritik Jote, Pabna on Friday night.

President of Sammilito Sangshkritik Jote Pabna, Abul Kashem, chaired the programme while cultural activist Vashkar Chowdhury, Firoz Khandaker and journalist Abdus Salam spoke on the occasion.

The speakers on the occasion focused the powerful verses of Shamsul Haq, saying the poet goes through the every aspect in life in his writings.

"Shamsul Haq found the different colours in life, and presented life as it is in his writings," The speakers said. He was successful in writing poetry, prose and songs, and is a stalwart of Bangla literature.

Artists performed songs written by Syed Samsul Haq on the occasion.



A local artiste performs at the event.

PHOTO: STAR

Fun times with friends and family Moushumi Nag's Puja plans

SHAH ALAM SHAZU

With the Durga Puja on us, the Hindu community's biggest festival of the year, stars are also gearing up to celebrate just like the everyday person. Moushumi Nag, the popular actress of the small screen, spoke to The Daily Star about her plans to celebrate the Puja.

Excerpts:
 "I am looking forward to having a blast this festival. I have bought a number of saris for the occasion, even from Kolkata."

"I will be in Dhaka for one day of the Puja, and will visit the mandaps all around. I will also visit my parents in Ashulia, where many relatives come to visit and it's always a good time."

"What I'm looking forward to most this Puja is visiting Mirzapur. I studied and spent my childhood at the Bharateswari Homes boarding school. It was seven years ago when I visited there during Durga Puja. I am in touch with all my friends there, and I made plans with them this year. They will all be visiting. It will also be a chance to see all my teachers."

"I am really looking forward to having a great time this Durga Puja."



"Rock Dog" trailer finds canine with rock star dreams

This year has been a good one for animated films with anthropomorphic animals: "Secret Life of Pets", "Zootopia", "Sing", "Finding Dory" and the "Jungle Book" reboot. Now, the first look at "Rock Dog" is out -- the tale of a pooch on a predetermined path to becoming a guard dog when a radio literally falls into his hands, fueling the fire of his passion for music and the self-realization that he doesn't want to be a good boy; he wants to rock.



The trailer is sweet and harmless, if not necessarily dazzling. The rock-n-roll based premise leaves plenty of ground for a family film that can play for kids and adults, although they really seem to be pushing the Fleetwood Yak gag, so hopefully there's a bit more to offer.

Directed by Ash Brannon ("Toy Story 2") from a script he co-penned with Kurt Voelker, "Rock Dog" arrives in theatres February 24, 2017 and boasts a first-rate voice cast line-up including JK Simmons, Luke Wilson, Eddie Izzard, Lewis Black, Kenan Thompson, Mae Whitman, Jorge Garcia, Matt Dillon, and Sam Elliot.

Source: Collider

TV WATCH

"ASTHA" ON NTV

A CORRESPONDENT

Drama series "Astha" airs every Saturday and Sunday on ntv. Written and directed by Ejaz Munna, it casts Al Mansur, Sazu Khadem, Kusum Sikder, Urmila Srabanti Kar, Sabila, Irfan Sazzad and many others. The story revolves around a young married couple Ayan and Shayna. When Ayan is posted in a different city that is closer to his family, things get confus-



"Shefali" on Maasranga TV

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

TV series "Shefali" will air tonight on Maasranga TV tonight at 8pm. Written and directed by Amirul Islam Arun, it casts Raisul Islam Asad, Chitralekha Guha, Lutfar Rahman George, Shyamol

Mawla and Shoshi. The story, set against a rural background, is about a young girl, her relationship with a simple boy, and a local chairman's ill intentions.

The series Sundays and Mondays at 8pm on the channel.



She was a doctor. He was sick in her love.

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