

17th Asian Art Biennale
Bangladesh
Venue: Bangladesh Shilpkala
Academy
Date: December 1-31
Time: 11am-8pm



Int'l Group Art Exhibit
Venue: Gallery Cosmos, New DOHS,
Mohakhali
Date: Nov 27-Dec 26
Time: 12noon-8pm



Musical Soiree
Tribute to 15 Creators of Bangla
Nagork Songs
Organiser: Star Melodies
Venue: AS Mahmud Seminar Hall,
The Daily Star Centre
Date: Dec 17; Time: 6:30pm



Solo Print exhibition
Title: Deep Print
Artist: Wakilur Rahman
Venue: Gallery Twenty One,
751 Satmasjid Rd, Dhanmondi
Date: Nov 29-Dec 16
Time: 12noon-8pm



International
Mono Drama Festival
Venue: Bangladesh Shilpkala
Academy
Date: Dec 8-15
Time: 6:30pm



Chhayanaut initiated their Victory Day programmes in partnership with DU last year.

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Chhayanaut and DU to hold elaborate Victory Day programmes

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Chhayanaut, one of the longest-standing cultural lighthouses of the country, is joining hands this December with Dhaka University for the second year running, to celebrate the glorious occasion of our Victory Day on December 16. The programme will be held at the central playground of the Dhaka University, at 3:40pm.

This year's programme will be bigger than previous years, with a number of educational institutes joining the initiative-- University of Asia Pacific, Jagannath University, Shanto-Marium University of Technology, Lalmatia Women's University College, Ati Bhawal Higher Secondary School, Imperial College, Dhaka Residential Model College, Engineering University School & College, Viqarunnisa Noon School & College, Lalmatia Housing Society

School & College, Holy Cross School & College, Aroni, Udayan and Uddipon Schools, Academia, Excel Academy, South Breeze, Sunbeams, Sunnydale and Scholastica schools. Along with the

choral songs, group dance performances

will feature Chhayanaut dancers along

with Jago Art Centre, Nritya Nandan,

Nrityam Nrityashilan Kendra and

Brotocchari.

A new song has been written for the

occasion by Kabir Bokul, which Sujeyo

Shyam has put tunes to. Nine chorus songs will be performed at the event, which will be inaugurated by DU Vice Chancellor AAMS Arefin Siddique.

The programme is open to all.

General audience can enter the field through the swimming pool gate next to the Doyel Chattar.

Swagata Rownak, Sujit Dey and Nahas Khalil have designed the stage, with implementation from Deshal.

CHARM OF KOREA VIII IN DECEMBER

A CORRESPONDENT

To celebrate the 43rd anniversary of diplomatic relations between Republic of Korea and the People's Republic of Bangladesh, two days of classical music concerts will be held in Dhaka, on December 22 and 23 at the National Theatre Hall of the Bangladesh Shilpkala Academy. A total of seven Korean musicians will perform in the event titled "Charm of Korea VIII", which is being hosted by Ahn Seong-doo, Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to Bangladesh.

This is the eighth event of the music series since 2013, to celebrate the long-standing friendship between Korea and Bangladesh. Cultural Affairs Minister Asaduzzaman Noor will be the chief guest at the inaugural ceremony on December 22.

Interested viewers can register through www.shohoz.com/events/charm-of-korea-2016 to enjoy the universal world of music with high-level uniqueness from 3pm on December 23. The first day's concert is invite-only.



A two-day art camp titled "Bangabandhu Bangladesh" was held at Sonargaon, Narayanganj. It was coordinated by eminent artist Hashem Khan.

Mim's surprise for viewers

SHAH ALAM SHAZU

National award-winning actor Bidya Sinha Mim has been gearing up for the release of her new film "Ami Tomar Hote Chai", and to stir up the hype for the film, she has done something for the first time: feature in a promotional song for the film. The video will be accessible to viewers on YouTube from today.

The film, directed by Ananya Mamun is slated for a nationwide release on December 16. "We have gotten a lot of positive response from the audience since the release of the trailer," said Mim, "and I cannot be more excited for the release."

Regarding the promotional music video, the actor said, "I'm highly motivated as this will be excellent work, which viewers will be able to see for themselves." The actor will be doing the song solo, and viewers will be seeing her in a completely different light.

The film also marks the actor's first in a long time. Mim is working on another new film titled "Daag," and recently became the brand ambassador for Lux.



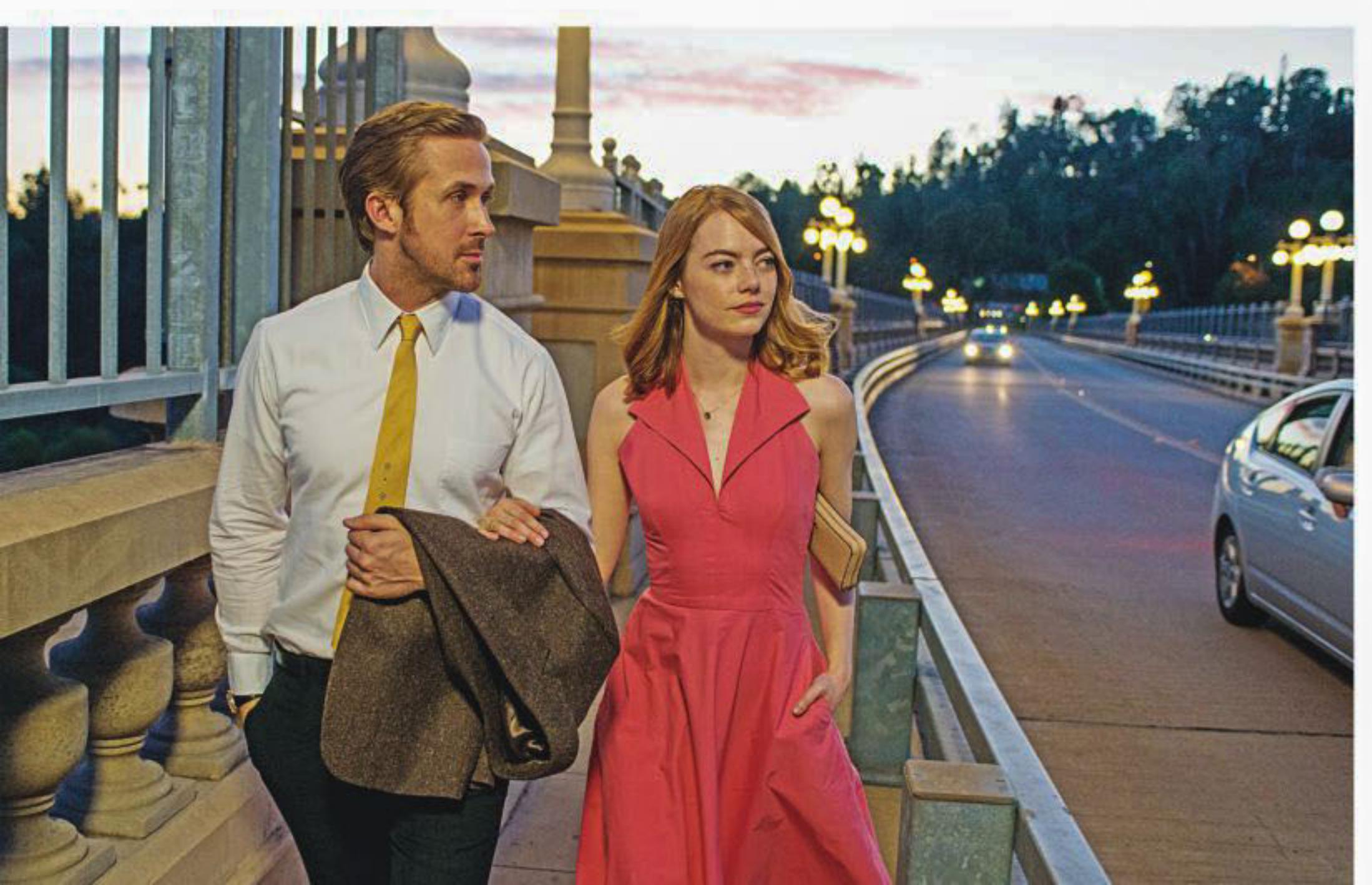
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Nrityanchal to perform in Kolkata VICTORY DAY PROGRAMME

Leading dance group of Bangladesh Nrityanchal will perform at the Kolkata Victory Day programme organised by the Bangladesh Deputy High Commission, Kolkata. The event will be held at Netaji Indoor Stadium, says a press release. The five-day victory day programme will begin on December 15. On the opening day Nrityanchal will perform a dance show- 'Ami Banglar Gaan Gai'. Directed by leading dance exponent Shamim Ara Nipa, 30 dance artistes of Nrityanchal including Shibli Mohammad will perform at the show.

Chief Minister of West Bengal Mamata Banerjee will be the chief guest and Cultural Minister of Bangladesh Asaduzzaman Noor MP will be special guest.



"La La Land" sweeps Critics' Choice Awards

"La La Land" solidified its place as the 2017 Academy Awards front-runner, scoring an impressive eight wins at the 22nd Annual Critics' Choice Awards. Along with wins for production design, cinematography, editing, and score, the musical starring Ryan Gosling and Emma Stone also won best original song, best director and best original screenplay for writer-director Damien Chazelle, and the big one, best picture.

The film easily bested its two (most likely) strongest competitors, "Moonlight" and "Manchester By The Sea", though both of those films still won important trophies. "Moonlight" took home best supporting actor for co-star Mahershala Ali, as well as

best acting ensemble. Meanwhile, "Manchester" won thrice, sharing best original screenplay with "La La", and winning best young actor or actress, and best actor.

Viola Davis, who emerged from "Fences" this fall as the consensus front-runner for whichever acting awards she ends up being nominated for, deservedly won best supporting actress for her role. Meanwhile, Natalie Portman took home best actress for "Jackie". Eric Heisserer won best adapted screenplay for "Arrival". And on the television front, Bob Odenkirk won best actor in a dramatic series for "Better Call Saul", "The People Vs. O.J. Simpson" won four times, including acting prizes for Sarah Paulson and Courtney B Vance, and

Donald Glover won for best actor in a comedy series. About the only upset was that "Silicon Valley" won best comedy series, beating "Atlanta", whose first season has been universally praised.

TJ Miller hosted tonight's proceedings, bringing a defiantly absurdist approach to the gig. Starting the show out with a chorus line of topless men with faces painted on their torsos and heads covered by oversized top hat appearing to whistle. Miller later pretended to have his head blown off by a canon and ended the show dressed as a headless man carrying his bloody head on a platter.

Source: Deadline