

WHAT'S ON

**Concert**  
 Concert For Fighters  
 Bands: Maqsood O' Dhaka, Meghdol & others  
 Venue: Raju Sculpture, DU  
 Date: Jan 12  
 Time: 3pm

**Classical Dance Festival**  
 Organiser: Chhayanaut  
 Venue: Chhayanaut Auditorium, Dhanmondi  
 Date: January 6  
 Time: 6pm

**Theatre**  
 Play: Crutch-er Colonel  
 Troupe: Botfala  
 Venue: Mahila Samity  
 Date: January 6  
 Time: 7pm

**Dylan Tribute Concert**  
 Blowin' in the Wind  
 Venue: Edge Gallery  
 Date: Jan 6  
 Time: 7pm

**Freestyle for Homeless**  
 Music, Dance, Graffiti  
 Venue: Robindro Sarobar, Dhanmondi  
 Date: Jan 13  
 Time: 4pm

**Solo Quilt Exhibition**  
 Title: Colours in Quilt  
 Artist: Jahan Firoz  
 Venue: Gallery Twenty One  
 Date: January 6-15  
 Time: 12 pm- 8 pm



Ferdous



Purnima



Chanchal Chowdhury



Luipa



Liza

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NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS

STARS LOOK AHEAD TO A BUOYANT 2017

SHAH ALAM SHAZU

*As the pages of the calendar turn over to bring in a new year, we all have new plans, aspirations and determination to start afresh and make it a memorable year. The stars of the showbiz are no different, and The Daily Star caught up with a number of public figures of the entertainment industry to know what they are thinking of 2017.*

**Ferdous, actor**

New Year means new demands and expectations. As I'm a part of the film industry, and my dreams are naturally intertwined with the industry. I wish Dhaka cinema's further success in 2017. As the audiences have a hunger for films, more quality movies are needed for this. I'm expecting to sign few watch-worthy films in the year. As for our country as a whole, I hope for a year of peace and prosperity.

**Purnima, actor**

Like others, I have some expectations from 2017. My New Year resolution is to adhere to good works. I want to do work regularly but quality will be my first concern in this regard. I also want everyone's prosperity and peace besides the country and its cultural industry.

**Chanchal Chowdhury, actor**

I expect no sad news from the New Year. As 2016 was a successful year for me, I dream to deliver more good productions in 2017. And I want to do work targeting the goal. Finally, I hope that the country and its people will be in peace.

**Liza, singer**

As I'm a singer, I can't think anything else without music in my life, and it is my dream and expectation whatever you can say. My resolution is to win people's hearts through music. As a citizen of an independent country I wish its welfare and prosperity.

**Luipa, singer**

I would like to entertain the music lovers with some good songs and perform more stage shows in 2017.

TV WATCH

Tele-film "Neelpori Neelanjona" on ntv



A CORRESPONDENT

Tele-film "Neelpori Neelanjona" will go on air on ntv this afternoon at 2:35pm. The script was written by Shihab Shaheen and Mezbah Uddin Shumon, and directed by Shaheen. It stars Tahsan, Mamo, Sazu Khadem, Prosun Azad, Shamsul Alam Bokul,

Sabiha Zaman and others. The story revolves around the young couple of Adnan and Neelanjona, who meet on social media, but don't know what the other looks like because neither had a profile picture of themselves. The story progresses with various twists from a confused search, and a case of mistaken identities.

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Visual Arts Programme of Bengal Foundation's latest exhibition "ephemeral: perennial", an exhibition of performance art, begins today (January 6) at the Daily Star-Bengal Arts Precinct at 5:30pm. Educationist Professor Syed Manzoorul Islam and art critic Professor Abul Monsur will jointly inaugurate the exhibition as guests of honour. The exhibition will present photographs, video footage and objects featured in the recently-held Performance Art Week, where 20 artists presented live performances. The artists were -- Palash Bhattacharjee, Joydeb Roaja, Jewel A Rob, Hasna Hena Porosh, Sanad Kumar Biswas, Sharkar Nasrin Toontoon, Nazia Andaleeb Preema, Arpita Singha Lopa, Efat Razowana Reya, Sumana Akter, Reetu Sattar, Niloofar Chaman, Waley Jaff, Meherun Akter, Atish Saha, Emran Sohail, Afsana Sharmin, Farah Naz Moon, Sanjay Chakraborty and Ashim Halder Sagor. The artists, having diverse background in different fields of art, demonstrated some intense and complex social issues through their symbolic performances.



Afsana Sharmin Jhumpa in her performance of "And the Feminine".

The event has been organised with an aim to look into the multiple complexities of this ephemeral medium through discussions, performances and exhibitions. What role does it play in cultural and political activism as opposed to white-cube spaces? How do artists materialise this non-material art? How does this medium contribute to the evolution of new languages?

These are some of the questions that the art week sought to answer. The exhibition is being jointly curated by artist Mahbubur Rahman and Tanzim Wahab. The exhibition will take place at two venues: Daily Star-Bengal Arts Precinct and Gyantapas Abdur Razzaq Bidyapeeth. The show will continue till 25 February 2017 daily from 11am to 7pm.

SRK PULLS OUT HIS ROMANCE CHOPS

New "Raees" song "O Zaalima" is exotic

Shah Rukh Khan has teased fans with snippets of "O Zaalima", the second song from his upcoming film "Raees", and eventually the actor shared the full song for his fans to enjoy. "O Zaalima", a romantic track sung by Arijit Singh and Harshdeep kaur, features Shah Rukh and Pakistani actress Mahira Khan in exotic desert locations and other palatial spots confessing their love for each other. Shah Rukh looks handsome dressed in pathani suit all through the song, while Mahira goes through a number of costume changes.



Shah Rukh had been building up to the song's release, sharing snippets of the lyrics on his Twitter. Before "O Zaalima", the makers of "Raees" released earlier Sunny Leone's special song "Laila Main Laila", a reimagining of Zeenat Aman's iconic item number from 1980 film "Qurbani". The song released on December 21, and has since then been

viewed almost 50 million times on YouTube. Shah Rukh Khan plays titular role of Raees in Rahul Dholakia's film: a liquor baron operating from Gujarat. Among his many enemies is a police officer (played by Nawazuddin Siddiqui) who has vowed to put

an end to Raees' illegal trade. "Raees", co-produced by Farhan Akhtar's Excel Entertainment and SRK's Red Chillies Entertainment, will hit the screens on January 25. The film was earlier scheduled to release on Eid in 2016, but the makers instead made way for

Salman Khan's "Sultan". The film's release was further delayed to avoid clash with Karan Johar's "Ae Dil Hai Mushkil". The film is finally opening a day before Republic Day, along with Hrithik Roshan's "Kaabil". Source: NDTV Movies

Jahan Firoz's "Colours in Quilt" at Gallery Twenty One



A CORRESPONDENT

A solo quilt exhibition by Jahan Firoz, titled "Colours in Quilt", is set to open today at the capital's Gallery Twenty One in Dhanmondi. Renowned academic, writer, and translator Dr. FakrulAlam, human rights activist Sultana Kamal, artist ShahidKabir and Ahmed Reza, a professor at Jahangirnagar University will jointly inaugurate the exhibition. Artist Shameem Subrana, Director, Gallery Twenty One will preside over the ceremony. The exhibition is curated by artist Syed Hasan Mahmud. A total of 18 art quilts will be displayed at the exhibition. Jahan Afroz, a watercolourist, and potter

and jeweler, has been making quilts as well. She is able to weave into her quilts splashes of vibrant colors, colors that mimic those in nature, especially those of the flora. "When I see fabrics, they become the finished product in my mind immediately. When making the quilt, I try to infuse in it the trees and flowers that surround me," Afroz says about her work. The artist lives in Maryland, USA, and is a freelance artist with an MFA from the Faculty of Fine Art at Dhaka University. Her work is influenced by both western and eastern styles. In addition to her other talents, she is an expert in making decorative tiles, all of which reflect this passion. The exhibition will remain open from January 6-15 from 12 pm to 8 pm.