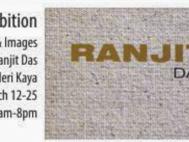
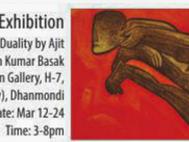
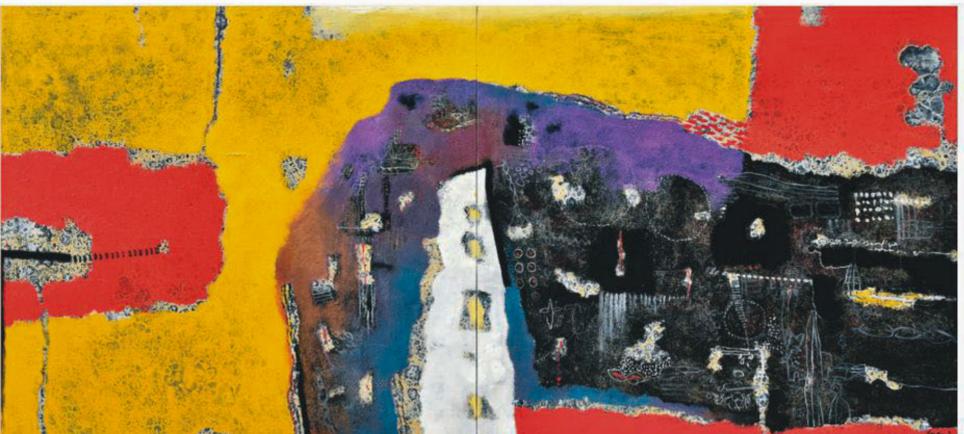


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A POET OF ABSTRACTION

Mohammad Eunos' solo exhibit opens today

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The essence of the rhythm of poetry, the melody of classical music and the visual beauty of abstract paintings are the same, according to Mohammad Eunos. The abstract master's 41st solo art exhibition titled "An Abstract Affair" opens today (March 18) at Edge Gallery, Gulshan-2 in the capital. Abul Khair, Chairman of Bengal Foundation, will inaugurate the exhibition as chief guest.

Observing nature, life and art closely with his poetic vision, Mohammad Eunos, also a poet, portrays astounding abstract paintings. He thinks surrealistic poems, especially those composed by Jibanananda Das, Indian classical music and abstract paintings are identical. Eunos has been depicting all the three types of abstract arts - abstract, semi-abstract and pure-abstract - for over four decades. He is now leaning towards pure abstraction nowadays. He employs colours, lines and textures to embody his entire painting a classical character. "Pursuing art is a solemn perseverance. It's meditative worship that ultimately leads one to the realm of spirituality. I have to be intimately involved with art. A strong passion or deep love for art is imperative," says Eunos.

The artist takes colours, sounds, senses and lines from nature; but he never takes shapes from nature. Rather, he creates shapes to depict the non-representational forms in his arts. The artist tries to express the inner feelings, elements and incidents of nature through his painting.

"Nature calls out to me at a deep level. My 'Wall' series is such an example. Time morphs a wall into an art piece. Wall evolves like a society; and sometimes we deliberately mess with it; throw paint, hit it, damage it; and then we try to cure it. Society heals, leaving scars. My 'Wall' series endeavours to capture those healing walls," he asserts.

"My painting is a journey without any destination. I engage no previous thoughts to create art. I make an interaction with my canvas.



I converse with the canvas in a meditative way when I start painting. I play with line, colour and texture, and nourish theme and proportion. It is the most glorious moment when I complete a canvas," he adds.

Amazing texture is a major feature of his paintings. He has been masterfully experimenting with the techniques of texture and layers of oil and acrylic for many years. "Sometimes unique textures

appear on my canvas accidentally. Then I decide to keep or erase the texture through my exchange of internal dialogue with the canvas. I am also inspired by the simplicity of children's art," he goes on saying.

Eunos has a special liking for the works of Antoni Tàpies and Anthony Claps while he regards Mohammad Kibria, the abstraction Guru, as the Father of Modern art in Bangladesh. "Aminul Islam has equally contributed to the modern art in our country, but regarding abstraction, Mohammad Kibria is unique," he comments.

For the forthcoming abstract artists, Mohammad Eunos suggests them to know the grammar properly. "Those who have strong academic background with incessant practice, they can master abstract paintings breaking even the grammar of painting," he says.

He emphasises on the idiosyncratic art language for an artist, but firmly believes 'artistic freedom' is the main spirit for an artist.

Eunos also believes that satisfaction is more powerful than success. If a successful person is not satisfied with what they have done, their success is meaningless.

Mohammad Eunos has many national and international awards to his credits. He was the first to receive Zainul Award in Painting, though he is a renowned academic of Graphic Design.

The exhibition will showcase 35 works and several other works on a digital screen. He has completed the artworks for the show from 2012. The show, open from 10am to 8pm daily, will conclude on March 31.

Prangonemor's Theatre Fest ends today

Juboradj Padak to be awarded



BotTala's "Crutch'er Colonel" is one of the plays nominated.

A CORRESPONDENT

Prangonemor's "Dui Bangla'r Natya Mela 2017" theatre festival comes to a close today at the National Theatre Hall of Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy. As part of the festival, Prangonemor will also award the "Prangonemor Juboraj Padak", an award in loving memory of thespian

Khaled Khan (who was known better by his nickname Juboraj in the theatre fraternity). A jury board selected three plays premiered in 2016 from the 44 productions brought to the stage last year - Aranyak Natya Dal's "The Jubilee Hotel", BotTala's "Crutch'er Colonel" and Bibartan Jessor's "Maatbring". One of these plays will be handed the award today.

The festival will come to a close with the staging of India's Kalyani Natya Charcha Kendra's production of "Nuroldiner Sarajibon", the landmark play by Syed Shamsul Haq. Theatre troupe Prangonemor's seventh theatre festival opened on March 10 at the National Theatre Hall, and has so far staged four plays from India and Bangladesh each.

"Shikolbaha" looking for actors

A CORRESPONDENT

Acclaimed filmmaker Kamar Ahmad Simon's latest feature film venture, titled "Shikolbaha" ("Iron Stream"), is looking to cast fresh faces in its central characters.

The film's production company, Shuchona Projojona shared a post on their Facebook page inviting

interested participants to audition for roles. The deadline for applying participants is on March 26.

The adventure film depicts the journey of two young friends who become lost, in search of a river. Directed and scripted by Kamar Ahmad Simon, the film is produced by Sarah Aftreen. The central characters comprise of two young men and one

young woman above the age of 30. The film, formerly titled "Shonkhodhoni" ("Silence of the Seashell"), had won the World Cinema Fund grant at the 2016 edition of the prestigious Berlin Film Festival. Kamar was also invited at the La Fabrique Cinemas du Monde at the 2014 Cannes Film Festival for the script of this film. The film has also won a National Film Grant from the Bangladesh government.

"Shikolbaha" is looking to find and cast for around 47 characters between the ages of 12-90 for various roles in the film. The Facebook post shared by the production house says: "There is no such thing as side characters; every individual in a film play an integral role in the plot. This is why we are looking for new talents to fill in the roles."

Interested applicants can find contact details for getting in touch with the production house on Facebook, on facebook.com/BEGINNING.Production.Ltd.



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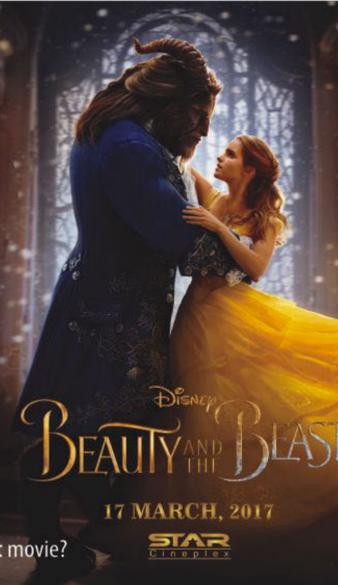
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"Aquaman" pushed back

"Aquaman" won't surface until Christmas of 2018, Warner Bros. said on Thursday. The comic book adaptation is swimming from an October 5 release date to December 21 of that year. It will open on the day that "Avatar 2" was originally slated to debut. The James Cameron-directed sequel has been delayed multiple times as the exacting filmmaker tinkers with his latest cinematic excursion into Pandora.

Jason Momoa, best known for his work as Khal Drogo in the HBO series "Game of Thrones", stars in "Aquaman" as the titular merman. James Wan ("The Conjuring") directs.

Warner Bros. also announced that "Horse Soldiers" will debut on January 19, 2018. The film follows a team of CIA agents as they try to break up the Taliban in the wake of 9/11. Chris Hemsworth heads up a cast that includes Trevante Rhodes, Michael Shannon, and Michael Pena.

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