

Solo Art Exhibition
Emotion of Sufi Music
Artist: AZ Shimul
Venue: La Galerie, AFD
Date: Mar 24-31
Time: 3pm-9pm



Contemporary Art Exhibition
Title: An Abstract Affair
Artist: Mohammad Eunus
Venue: EDGE Gallery
Date: Mar 18-31
Time: 10am-8pm



Photography Exhibition
Title: London 1971: Unsung Heroes of the Bangladesh Liberation War
Venue: British Council
Date: March 3-31



Group Art Exhibition
Title: Exhibition 2017
Venue: Gallery Chitrak, H-4, Rd-6, Dharmundi
Date: Mar 28-Apr 20
Time: 10am-8pm



Duet Art Exhibition
Victory
Artists: Mini Marim / Shama Shaion
Venue: Red Shift Coffee Lounge
Date: Mar 24-30
Time: 19am-9pm



NO STOPPING MOUSHUMI

SHAH ALAM SHAZU

Popular actress Moushumi Hamid has become a familiar face in Gazipur's Pubile, where she is shooting for Sumon Anwar's new drama serial "Sukhi Nir Ganj."

In the serial, she is an upfront girl whose family has been engaged in a longstanding feud with their neighbours.

"I'm now shooting only one drama serial. You cannot give your best when you try to do too many plays at the same time," Moushumi told The Daily Star.

Meanwhile, Moushumi's acclaimed "Brishtider Bari", where she plays the titular role is being aired on Banglavision. The story's lead character Brishti, who was thought to be lost in childhood, returns home. Complications arise when another young woman who claims to be Brishti also arrives on the scene.

Apart from this, she plays the role of a working woman in the play "Sangsar" directed by Golam Sohrab Dodul and in "Live in a Metro", based on corporate life, directed by BU Shuvo.

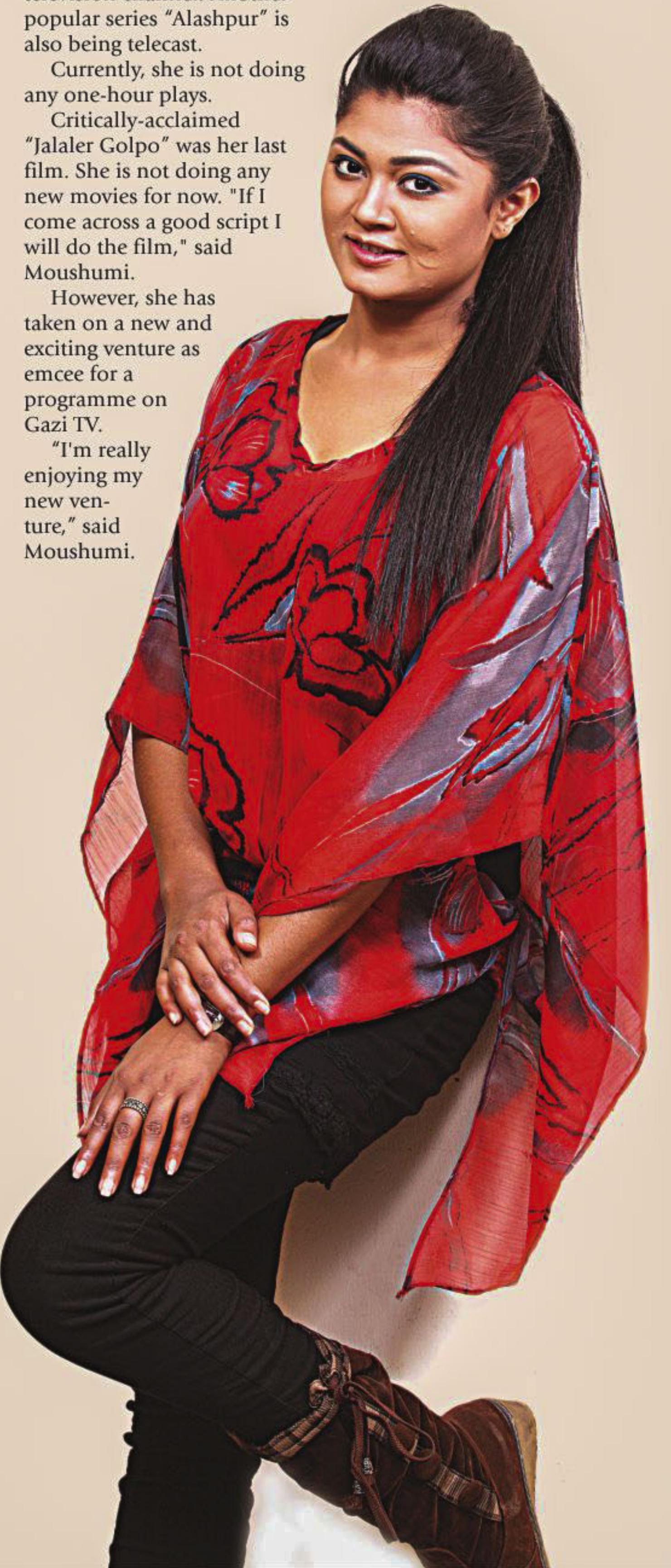
Besides, she plays a restless village girl in Sanjeev Sarkar's "Gaya Mane Na Apni Morol", now being aired on a private television channel. Another popular series "Alashpur" is also being telecast.

Currently, she is not doing any one-hour plays.

Critically-acclaimed "Jalaler Golpo" was her last film. She is not doing any new movies for now. "If I come across a good script I will do the film," said Moushumi.

However, she has taken on a new and exciting venture as emcee for a programme on Gazi TV.

"I'm really enjoying my new venture," said Moushumi.



Yasmin Mushtari to serenade Australia

A CORRESPONDENT

Noted Nazrul exponent Yasmin Mushtari had captivated audiences in Australia with her moving performances last year, and this year the land down under has beckoned her once more to perform for them. The artiste will perform at programmes to be held at Brisbane and Canberra, and this time she is also sought after in Adelaide. Mushtari is expected to travel for the capital from Sydney on March 31, marking her first performance in the country.

Organised by ATN Canberra, the programme is titled "Gaane Jege Uthok Canberra" and will take place at the auditorium of St. John Paul College. "My repertoire will also include patriotic numbers and more, but I will place most priority on Nazrul songs," said the artiste. The remaining days

prove to be quite bustling – with a show lined up on April 1 at Brisbane, organised by Society of Bangladesh Doctors in Queensland. The final performance will take place the next day at Adelaide in Burnside Community Centre, organised by Pidim Pathagar.

"To be appreciated to the extent where I would be invited once again to perform, is a matter of great honour," said the artiste. "Despite being so far away from home, Bangladeshi expatriates place great importance in upholding their roots and go through great lengths to expose the younger generation of Bengali-Australians to their cultural heritage, and these programmes certainly help build bridges between the Australian community to Bangladesh. This is a monumental task, one that they did not have to take upon themselves, but do so for the sheer love of their country."

"In Search of Purity" with Aupee Karim

A CORRESPONDENT

In a bid to raise awareness on the importance of clean drinking water, popular actor Aupee Karim embarked on a campaign titled "In Search of Purity," organised by a water purifying brand of Unilever Bangladesh Limited, Pureit, on March 22. During her participation the artiste visited various houses in Shantinagar and Gulshan.

Residents of these areas were under the impression that their drinking water has been safe for consumption. Upon research the participants of the campaign discovered poisonous pollutants such as dissolved lead, rust, and pesticides which remain in the water even after boiling it. Aupee Karim along with the team performed demos at homes to reveal these findings.

The team stated that in order to ensure the water is safe for drinking a high quality water purifier should be used.



Independence Day celebrations in Mymensingh

AMINUL ISLAM, Mymensingh

Over 100 children sketched scenes from the Liberation War at an art competition at Shilpacharya Zainul Abedin Sangrahashala (art gallery) premises on Sunday afternoon.

The art gallery organised the competition marking Independence and National Day.

Nagorbashi Barman, Associate Professor of Fine Arts Department of Jatiya Kabi Kazi Nazrul Islam University (JKKNU) inaugurated the competition as chief guest.

Mukul Dutta, deputy keeper of the art gallery presided over the inaugural session.

A total of 109 children from different educational institutions took part in the competition in four groups.

Later, the chief guest distributed prizes among the winners.

Marking the celebrations, different socio-cultural organisations also organised elaborate programmes.

Mymensingh Zila Shilpkala Academy, Udichi Shilpkothi, Sandipon Sangskritik Sangstha were among the cultural groups.

Shilpkala Academy organised a discussion and cultural show at its auditorium. Mymensingh Press Club also organised a discussion at its auditorium. Professor Reazul Islam, Professor Atiqur Rahman, Freedom Fighter Bimol Pal, Momtaz Uddin Ahmed, journalists-Professor Abdur Razzaq, Jagadish Chandra Sarker, Neamul Kabir Sajal and Mir Golam Mustafa were the discussants.



Artistes perform at the event.

SHREYA GHOSAL perform at ICCB



Celebrated Indian playback singer Shreya Ghosal is coming to Dhaka once again to perform at a concert titled "Shreya Ghoshal Melody Night Live in Dhaka". The event will take place on March 31 at International Convention Centre Bashundhara in Dhaka, says a press release.

Organised by Octopi Limited and ATN Events, the famous Bollywood artiste will perform live for the audience of Dhaka. Alongside Shreya, a group of popular singers from Bangladesh, including Anika, Pintu Ghosh and Miftah will also perform at the concert.

A press conference was held at a restaurant in the capital's Banani to disclose detailed information about the concert.

Director of ATN Events Masudur Rahman said, "Shreya Ghoshal hopes to fascinate the audience at the concert. I believe the concert would be a successful one to satisfy music lovers. We are taking preparations for making it a grand success."

ASK ME ANYTHING

Bhabna-Animesh coming on TDS Facebook Live



STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Save the date! Celebrated actress-model Ashna Habib Bhabna and the ever-so-talented director/actor Animesh Aich will go on a Facebook Live 'Ask Me Anything' session with The Daily Star subscribers, at 7pm on March 30. The duo is gearing up for the release of the upcoming film "Bhoyongkor Sundor", which Animesh directs and Bhabna stars in.

Any subscriber to The Daily Star's Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/dailystarnews>) can join the Facebook Live session, and pour in their love, adulation and questions to Bhabna and Animesh, and get the lowdown on "Bhoyongkor Sundor".

International music festival opens at JnU

A CORRESPONDENT

The music department of Jagannath University (JnU) is holding a two-day international music festival at its central auditorium. Cultural Affairs Minister Asaduzzaman Noor inaugurated the festival as chief guest yesterday.

The department honoured renowned classical music exponent Pandit Amarendra Roy Chowdhury on the opening day of the festival. Noted singers -- Shaheen Samad, Sadi Mohammad, Subir Nandi, Shama Rahman, Laisa Ahmed Lisa, Samina Chowdhury, Anima Roy, Chandana Mazumdar and Shafi Mondal are also performing at the festival. Artistes from India, China and Indonesia are also performing at the event.

Aside from students of the Music Department of JnU, students of the Department of Music of Dhaka University and Rajshahi University are also presenting their music at the festival. Onima Roy, chairman of the music department, is the convener of the festival, chairs the festival.

Diamond World is sponsoring the event.