

WHAT'S ON
Solo Art Exhibition
 Title: Face-to-Face
 Artist: Moon Rahman
 Venue: Kala Kendra, Mohammadpur
 Date: Apr 1-24; Time: 5-8pm



Film Screening
 Title: Testimony of a Thread
 Venue: Chhayanaut
 Date: April 22
 Time: 4:30 pm



Solo Photography Exhibition
 Title: Unseen in Our Sight: Dalits in Bangladesh
 Photographer: GMB Akash
 Venue: Alliance Française de Dhaka
 Date: April 15-29; Time: 3pm-9pm



Solo Art Exhibition
 Title: Perception
 Artist: Uttom Kumar Roy
 Venue: Radius Art Gallery, 57 Gulshan Avenue-1
 Date: April 8- May 4
 Time: 9am-10pm



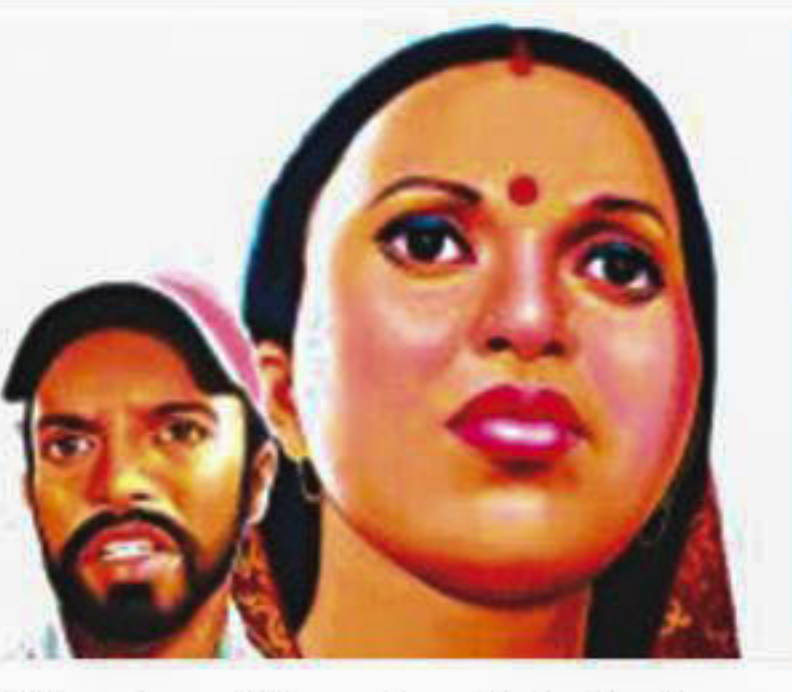
Solo Art Exhibition
 Title: Proximity of Line
 Artist: Ruhul Karim Rumees
 Venue: Shilpangan, Dhanmondi
 Date: Apr 21- May 5
 Time: 3-8pm




Babu, Chhanda, Khushi and Chanchal on set.

PHOTO: SHEIKH MEHEDI MORSHED

"Shunte Ki Pao!" on Amazon, Google, iTunes



STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Kamar Ahmad Simon's acclaimed documentary "Shunte Ki Pao!" is being released online for the first time. The movie is released as a Video on Demand for streaming across 110 countries around the globe, on Amazon Video, Google Play and iTunes. This also marks the first time a Bangladeshi film is being released across top-tier global streaming platforms.

The news was revealed on the film's official Facebook page on Thursday.

"Shunte Ki Pao!" released in 2013 and toured the international festival circuit, bagging several international awards including the Grand Prix from Paris, Golden Conch from Mumbai, and a

National Film Award from Bangladesh, along with screenings in major festivals like Dok-Leipzig and IDFA.

"This news is not only important to me, but for the film industry in Bangladesh as a whole. Many people, particularly expatriate Bangladeshis sent me numerous letters to release the film's DVD, so this is good news for them too."

"Shunte Ki Pao!" is the first piece of Simon's "Water Trilogy". His next venture in the series is "Day After Tomorrow", which won the Open Doors grant for best script last year at Locarno Film Festival. Simon has also been selected among 16 directors at Cannes' L'Atelier programme this year.

CHANCHAL RETURNS TO THE GRIND OF TV SERIES

Multi-starrer "Majnu Ekjon Pagol Nohe" underway

SHAH ALAM SHAZU

Chanchal Chowdhury had been 'in hiding' for about a month, preparing and filming for his upcoming film "Debi" where he plays Misir Ali, one of the most prominent fictional characters of contemporary Bangla literature. With filming of his parts complete, Chanchal has come back to the small screen.

"Majnu Ekjon Pagol Nohe", a new TV series scripted by Brindaban Das and directed by Sanjit Sarkar, is currently filming in Gazipur, where Chanchal plays the titular character.

The central cast also includes Fazlur Rahman Babu, Shahnaz Khushi, Pran Roy, Golam Farida Chhanda and more. "This is my first TV venture after shooting for 'Debi'," said Chanchal Chowdhury. "When it comes to any script by Brindaban Das, I know that there will be

something new on the table, and a unique role to play."

Shahnaz Khushi described the narrative saying, "The play offers many surprising twists and turns to the viewers. I can guarantee no one will be disappointed."

Fazlur Rahman Babu will appear as one of the key characters in the series. He said, "The plot revolves around a household, and I play the oldest daughter's husband, a very complex character." Chhanda appears as the youngest

daughter, and for her role she is required to glam up in new sarees and makeup in all her scenes. "I have a really fun role to play, and I am enjoying it a lot," she told The Daily Star.

"The plot of the series centers on inheritance and the division of wealth," Scriptwriter Brindaban Das said about the play. "Greed subsequently drives a person to madness, and the story attempts to capture the complex realities around this issue."



Cast and crew of mega TV series "Saat Bhai Champa" pose at the elaborate set on the opening day of their shooting. Impress Telefilm is producing the series based on popular folklore, under Ripon Nag's direction. Information Minister Hasanul Haque Inu inaugurated the shooting at the Bangladesh Film Development Corporation (BFDC) studio. Channel i Managing Director Faridur Reza Sagar, Director and head of news Shykh Seraj, BFDC Managing Director Tapan Kumar Ghosh and others were also present.



FIRST "GAME OF THRONES" SEASON 7 IMAGES REVEALED

Though fans have had to wait a little longer than usual for Winter to come to HBO this year, Season 7 of Game of Thrones is almost here. HBO revealed 15 new images featuring familiar faces fans love to love and love to hate. The Stark children are nearly all present and accounted for (minus one) and what's left of the Lannister brood is here as well. Supporting characters who have moved from one royal family and sovereign nation to the next, are also featured here. The shifting alliances of the feuding families over the course of the show's earlier seasons may yet to be solidified; it's impossible to tell from these images alone. But since a greater threat faces the Known World, one wonders just how

long it will be before everyone puts their differences aside to work together ... and just how long it'll take after that to start stabbing each other in the back once more.

Lena Headey, Nikolaj Coster-Waldau, Conleth Hill, John Bradley, Hannah Murray, Kristofer Hivju, Gwendoline Christie, Rory McCann, Kit Harington, Isaac Hempstead Wright, Ellie Kendrick, Maisie Williams, Sophie Turner, Aiden Gillen, Liam Cunningham, Peter Dinklage, Nathalie Emmanuel, Bella Ramsey, and, of course, Emilia Clarke will all return for the Season 7 premiere on HBO on Sunday, July 16th.

Source: Collider

NEWS bytes

Charlie Puth drops new single

Grammy-nominated pop singer Charlie Puth has returned to the scene with "Attention", a polished, groove-injected first taste from his upcoming sophomore album.

The track dropped late on Thursday across all digital music platforms.

The Atlantic artiste gave his new recording a push with a pop-art project in Los Angeles titled "The Attention Room". The



trippy installation features an LED "infinity tunnel" and is designed to replicate the brain's reaction to receiving attention. Naturally, Puth's latest song soundtrack's the experience.

There's no release date or name yet for Puth's next LP, the follow-up to his platinum-selling debut "Nine Track Mind", which carried the top 40 hits "One Call Away", "Marvin Gaye" (featuring Meghan Trainor), and "We Don't Talk Anymore" (feat. Selena Gomez)."

Puth will road test new material when he joins Shawn Mendes' "Illuminate" World Tour, kicking off July 6 at Portland.

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