

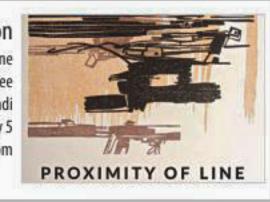








Solo Art Exhibition Title: Proximity of Line Artist: Ruhul Karim Rumee Venue: Shilpangan, Dhanmond Date: Apr 21- May 5





SUNNYDALE SCHOOL celebrates the seasons

A CORRESPONDENT

Sunnydale School's modest playground was host to an intimate cultural event that saw performances by children in early primary years. Titled "Ritu Ronge Sunnydale", the event was organised by the faculty members of the junior section of the school. Leading dance exponent Sharmila Banerjee and renowned Nazrul exponent Sadya Afreen Mallick graced the occasion as special guests.

The event commenced with the lighting of traditional lamps by the special guests along with Principal of the school Tazeen Ahmed and Vice Principal Zebunnessa. Little girls draped in colourful saris and boys in panjabis set the cultural tone of the morning, and their performances included recitation, dance and song numbers, as well as skits. The musical numbers were based on the six seasons of Bangladesh, setting off with Summer with the songs "Esho Hey Baishakh", followed by "Trishito Akash KaNpe Re..." and "Daruno Ogni Baane". Shathi Sarkar and Sumaya Imam, music teachers of the junior section of the school directed the song performances. "We were apprehensive whether they would be able to perform well, seeing they are so young. However, they delivered exactly the way we had taught them, even though had little time to prepare,"

said Sumaya Imam.

The institution places high importance on cultural learning and practice as part of their core programme. "It is compulsory for students to take up any one of the cultural activities as part of their extracurricular programme, whether it is sports, scouting, debate, dance, art, or music. Even though this is an English medium school, we are Bangalees in mind and soul, and as teachers it is our duty to teach our students to hold onto their roots." said Ifrat Jahan, head of the Senior Department and Cultural Committee at Sunnydale.

"We teach them songs of our roots from an early age so that they learn to associate

them as part of their identity," said Principal Tazeen Ahmed, "Young minds are fragile, and absorb all that they are exposed to, so it is crucial to shape their learning to ensure they have a strong cultural understanding, while able to function professionally in any part of the world."

The performances were received well by the guests of the programme. "It is astounding as to how children of such a tender age can perform with such accuracy," said Sadya Afreen Mallick, who sang the choral lines of "Abar Tora Manush Ho" with the children in the audience and on stage. The event concluded with the collective rendition of the National Anthem by everyone in attendance at the programme.

Int'l Jazz Day concert at BSA today

ABC Radio brings together Dhaka's jazz scene

A CORRESPONDENT

Popular private radio station ABC Radio 89.2FM is hosting a jazz concert today marking International Jazz Day 2017 (today, April 30), at Bangladesh Shilapakala Academy's National Art Gallery.

International Jazz Day is coordinated each year by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the Thelonious Monk Institute of Jazz to highlight the power of jazz as a force for freedom and creativity, and a medium for promoting



intercultural dialogue through respect and understanding, people all around the globe celebrate this event. Over the last three years, Bangladesh's Jazz Day celebration events have gained international applause and were acknowledged by UNESCO on their official jazz day website.

A range of jazz performances will be presented by musicians from the local jazz scene in Dhaka, who have been actively contributing over the years to foster Bangladeshi culture with jazz music:

The participating bands and artistes are Blue Lotus Trio, 42, Towfiq Arifin Turjo, Mohaimin Karim, Imran Ahmed, Rahin Haider, Robert Russell and Rushnaf Wadud.

Entry to the concert (which begins at 7:30pm) is free but subject to registration. Further details can be found on the Facebook event: "ABC Radio presents International Jazz Day Dhaka, 2017".

The event was initiated by Towfiq Arifin Turjo and Imran Ahmed, with Rasheeq Rayhan (The Rock Project) as an associate partner.





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Director James Mangold has revealed a black and white version of the film will be hitting theatres May 16.

"Suggestion. Hard core B&W loving LOGAN fans should not make any plans on the evening of May 16th", Mangold tweeted. "Won't be on a TV. And the answer is no. To make a great B&W version of a film, the whole thing's gotta be regraded & timed shot by shot," he added.

Mangold also revealed that a black and white version will be available on the home entertainment release, but conit will be on big screens on the 16th." The move comes after weeks of specula-

tion and follows in the footsteps of a Black and Chrome edition of "Mad Max: Fury Road". However, there's bad news for interna-

tional fans of Hugh Jackman's final film starring as the Marvel mutant: It will only be available in US theaters.

"Logan", released in March, has earned more than \$604 million at the global box office and is the best-reviewed X-Men movie in the Fox franchise's history.

Source: The Hollywood Reporter

RUPCHANDA-THE DAILY STAR SUPER CHEF Alpana Habib's smart and simple cooking

M H HAIDER

According to celebrity chef and TV personality Alpana Habib, cooking should be an enjoyable affair. Even in our busy lives, it ought not to be a hassle. For those with hectic jobs, going to the kitchen may at times be a little taxing. When Habib entered the Rupchanda-The Daily Star Super Chef kitchen yesterday, she had one goal in mind: to show the contestants how easily a corporate jobholder can make delectable dishes amid their busy schedule.

From making a quick lunch to bringing something to the dinner table in the end of a long, hard day at work, cooking should be hassle-free, simple, and easy. Habib did that by making multiple dishes for the partici-

Maymuna Akter, along with the other

participants, watched her prepare the foods. "I was really impressed how she substituted butter with ghee to make white sauce," she said. "Butter may not always be available in our homes; ghee is more common. Alpana Habib showed us how we can make something in short notice, with limited ingredients which are more or less always present in the household."

"She demonstrated how we could make something with leftover food," Asma Rupa, another contestant, who is a homemaker, said when referring to a beef recipe Habib made.

And Akter also admires Habib's attitude and approach regarding gastronomy. "She had told us to share recipes," Akter remembers. "The more you share with each other, the more everybody learns."

"Of course, many among the participants might move forward to become chefs at restaurants or might want to pursue the culinary arts as a career. But in the end of the day, there is the notion of perceiving cooking as an everyday thing, and how enjoyable it can be even in our hectic lives. This is what I aimed to demonstrate at the class last night," Alpana Habib had remarked.

Indeed, yesterday was an enlightening experience for the participants. But one has to admit that last night was a rather easy and stress-free one: nobody faced the pang of elimination. However, the same cannot be said for tonight. Tonight, once again, it will be about blood, sweat and tears, as the contestants battle against each other to impress the judges. And on tonight's episode, the Super Chef kitchen is going to welcome yet another guest as a judge. We'll leave you with one clue: "Aynabaji"!

Tune into ntv at 9pm, every Saturday and Sunday to find out what happens next in Rupchanda-The Daily Star Super Chef 2017.



Workshop on Nazrul songs held at Barisal

SUSHANTA GHOSH, Barisal

A two-day Nazrul Sangeet workshop was held at Barisal City College in the city on April 27 and 28.

The programme was jointly arranged by Bangladesh Nazrul Sangeet Sangstha (BNSS) and Nazrul Sangskritik Jote,

Barisal(NSJ) to spread original compositions and propagate the thematic aspects

of Nazrul songs. Eminent Nazrul singer Khairul Anam Shakil and secretary of BNSS inaugurated the workshop, that was participated by 62 Nazrul singers and presided over by Papia Jesmin, vice president of the NSJ Barisal.





Alpana Habib in the Rupchanda-The Daily Star Super Chef kitchen.