

<p><b>WHAT'S ON</b></p> <p><b>Solo Painting Exhibition</b>                  Title: 'Patakabyo Paramora' by Shambhu Acharya                  Venue: Gallery Chitra, H-4, Rd-6, Dhanmondi                  Date: May 12-19                  Time: 10am-8pm</p>	<p><b>Concert</b>                  Richard Marx Live in Dhaka                  Organiser: Creinse                  Venue: BICC                  Date: May 16                  Time: 7pm</p>	<p><b>Group Art Exhibition</b>                  Title: Can the Divine Presence be Felt So Easily?                  Venue: Alliance Française de Dhaka                  Date: May 5-17                  Time: 3pm-9pm</p>	<p><b>Group Art Exhibition</b>                  Marking 13th Anniversary of Galleri Kaya                  Venue: Galleri Kaya, Uttara                  Date: May 5-28                  Time: 11am-8pm</p>	<p><b>Solo Art Exhibition</b>                  Title: Golden Doors                  Artist: Proshanta Karmakar Buddha                  Venue: Radius Centre Art Gallery, 57 Gulshan Avenue-1                  Date: May 6 - June 1                  Time: 3-10pm</p>
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**NEWS bytes**

**JOHNNY DEPP**  
signs new comedy

Johnny Depp is set to star in "King of the Jungle", a dark comedy to be directed by Glenn Ficarra and John Requa from a script by Scott Alexander and Larry Karaszewski. IMR International is handling foreign sales at Cannes with CAA representing domestic rights. The film is based on a true story first published in Wired magazine by Joshua Davis. The film is from Condé Nast Entertainment, Zaftig Films, MadRiver Pictures, and Epic Entertainment. Based on the Wired article "John McAfee's Last Stand", the film tells the true story of tech magnate John McAfee, creator of the McAfee Antivirus software, who cashed-in his fortune, left civilization, and moved to the jungle in Belize. There, he set-up a "Colonel Kurtz-like compound of guns, sex and madness," according to a statement.



Source: Variety



**TANVIN SWEETY**  
Going strong on the small screen

**SHah ALam SHazi**  
 Popular actress Tanvin Sweetey has had a busy month preparing for two new television shows. Between two the TV plays, the artiste is juggling two very different characters. The plays, titled "Hospital" is directed by SA Haque Alik, and "Housewife" directed by Akram Khan. Sweetey plays the owner of a medical facility in "Hospital", for which shooting had to be done outside the capital. "The narrative deals with various events that regularly occur in hospitals," explained the actor. Aside from the two new drama serials, the actor has also been busy with a few single episode TV plays. She will be appearing in two directed by Chayanika Chowdhury, and another two which shall go on air on BTv. Off camera, Tanvin Sweetey is currently vice

President of the Actors' Association. "I have to invest a lot of time in the organisation, and we currently have a number of projects to undertake," said Sweetey. The actor is also heavily involved with Youth Bangla Cultural Forum, and the organisation is now working towards promoting "Oshampto Attojiboni," the autobiography of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. The organisation hopes to enlighten today's youth by traveling to various schools, and offers services to shelters for the elderly as well. However, that is not all for the versatile artiste. The actor has been actively involved in the theatre scene for many years, and will appear in a production by Theatre titled "Mukti" soon. Having acted in one movie so far, the actor added that she is ready to take up film ventures if a good script comes her way. Her last film venture was titled "BaNshi," helmed by Abu Syed.

**Shiblee Sadiq**  
wins Magic Bauliana

Folk music reality show "Magic Bauliana 2016" staged the grand finale of its second season on Sunday, where Shiblee Sadiq from Rangpur has come out the champion. Mymensingh's contestant Shafiqul Islam was the first runner up and Kushtia's Laltu Hossain was the second runner up, says a press release. The grand finale took place at the Aegis Training Centre at Savar, Ashulia. The colorful event was attended by locals, invited guests, journalists and senior officials from Square Toiletries Limited and Maasranga Television. This was the second season of the reality show, by Square Toiletries Limited's oral care brand 'Magic' and Maasranga Television. The show aims to bring the magic of folk music and its cultural heritage to the next generation. Farida Parvin, Indranil Rajbongshi and Shafi Mandal were the judges throughout the series. They were also the judges during the audition rounds. Celebrity musicians appeared in various episodes to make the show more memorable and entertaining. Over 30,000 contestants registered to take part in Magic Bauliana 2016. The audition rounds took place in nine regions of Bangladesh, from where 40 singers were chosen to progress to the next phase. Eventually, five contestants took part in the grand finale.



Winners with the guests at the gala.

**Various arts workshops held in Mymensingh**

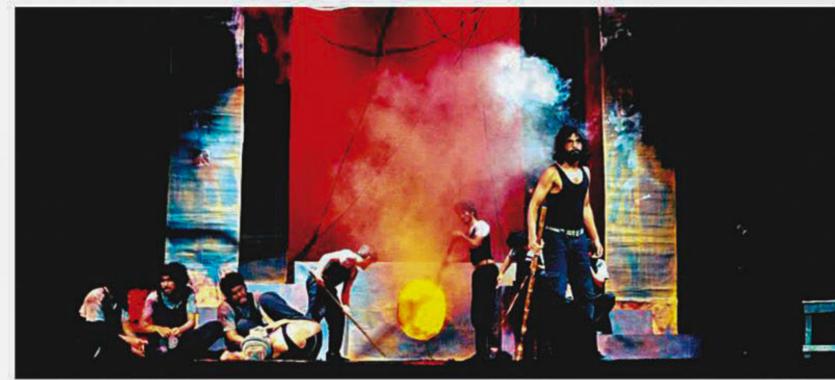
**AMinul ISlam, Mymensingh**  
 A five-day training workshop on classical music, tabla, poetry recitation, fine arts and contemporary dance, organised by Mymensingh Zila Shilpakala Academy, concluded at its auditorium Saturday evening. A total of 310 child artistes from different areas of Mymensingh, Jamalpur, Sherpur, Netrakona and Tangail took part in the workshop.

The guests distributed certificates among the participants. The trainers at the workshop were: Maruf Hossain, Tapon Sarker and Anwar Hossain for classical music; Mahmudul Hasan for tabla, Md Saidul Islam for fine arts, Fayzullah Sayeed for poetry recitation while Ariful Islam Arnob for dance, sources said. Deputy Commissioner of Mymensingh Md Khalilur Rahman, flute maestro ustad Shahabuddin Khan, classical vocalist ustad Sunil Kumar Dhar and district cul-

tural officer Arzo Parves addressed the concluding ceremony, among others. Urging the artistes to be inclined to classical forms of music and musical instruments, speakers said many young talents are showing their interest for classical forms and such trend should be continued. They also urged Shilpakala Academy and other cultural organisations here to take big steps to promote classical music. Poet Rubina Azad and Sarwar Jahan anchored the concluding ceremony.



Young participants sing at the closing ceremony of the workshop. PHOTO: STAR



**Prachyanat bringing back "Bon Manush" to stage**

**A COrrspondent**  
 Theatre troupe Prachyanat is bringing back Eugene O'Neill's "The Hairy Ape" on stage in their adaptation titled "Bon Manush". The production, last staged on March 6, 2016, will open today at 7pm at Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy's National Theatre Hall. Directed by Bakar Bokul and choreographed by Parvin Sultana Kolly, Rifat Ahmed Nobel is in charge of sound management and ABS Xem is behind stage and lights. The setting takes place in the belly of an ocean liner where workers stoke the engines of the ship with coal. The grimy work is reflected in the burly labourers' appearance, with Yank being the most brutish of them all. Meanwhile, Mildred Douglas, who is the wealthy daughter of the ship's director, venture below decks and comes face to face with Yank, the sight of whom makes her scream with fright. Her reaction triggers self doubt in Yank, and he ventures into the outside world to find a sense of belonging only to be shunned by all walks of society.

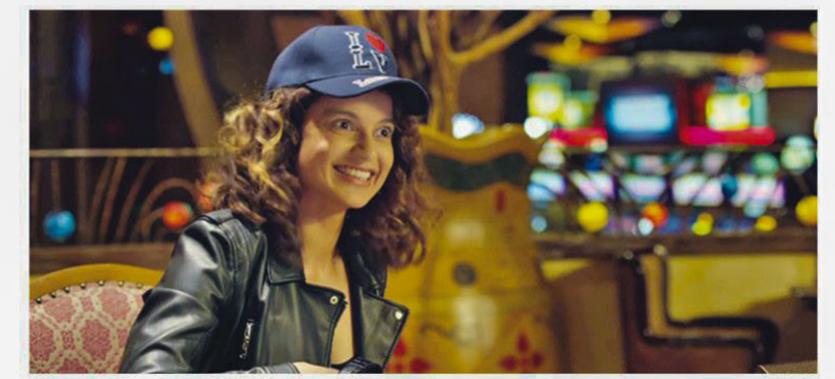
**Paul McCartney reveals "Pirates" character**

Paul McCartney, who filmed a cameo for the upcoming "Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales", debuted his character in full swashbuckler regalia on social media Saturday. In a promo photo captioned #PiratesLife,



McCartney is seen with long, charcoal-colored hair, heavy eye shadow and a bandana under his weathered pirates' cap. The rock legend is also holding a hand of playing cards while staring ominously at the camera. McCartney isn't the first rocker to board Johnny Depp's Disney franchise: The Rolling Stones' Keith Richards has played Captain Teague, the father of Depp's Jack Sparrow, in a pair of "Pirates of the Caribbean" films. While McCartney did not offer any hint at what role he will be playing in the upcoming film, E! Online reports that a cast list revealed that the Beatle would portray a jail guard. Deadline reported in March 2016 that the McCartney sequence, "an extra big set-piece scene," was filmed after production had initially ended in order to add the singer's cameo to the film. "Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales" releases on May 26.

Source: Rolling Stone



**KaNGANA**  
shines in upbeat "Simran" teaser

Bollywood director Hansal Mehta started Monday morning by giving a sneak peek into the world of Simran, the titular protagonist of his upcoming film. Kangana Ranaut plays the role of what appears to be a goofy and fun-loving girl. The one-minute teaser shows the myriad ways in which Simran keeps herself entertained and in the process makes others laugh. The teaser doesn't have any dialogues and it just introduces he audience to the protagonist. Simran works at a hotel and has jovial friends with whom she dances like no

one's watching and has fun along the way. The film is reportedly the story of a young woman whose ambition to excel leads to her the world of crime. However, no hint of the film's sombre plot was revealed in the teaser, which Hansal Mehta shared a day after the motion poster. Kangana started filming "Simran" last year, majorly shot in USA. The film, which is slated for release on September 15, also stars Sohum Shah, Rupinder Nagra, Esha Tewari and Aneasha Joshi. Meanwhile, Kangana is gearing up for filming "Manikarnika: Rani of Jhansi", a biopic on Rani Laxmibai. Last week, Kangana launched the film's poster in Varanasi. "Manikarnika: Rani of Jhansi" will be directed by Krish, who helmed films like "Kanchi" and "Gabbar is Back". The screenplay of "Manikarnika" is by KV Vijayendra Prasad, the writer of SS Rajamouli's "Baahubali". Kangana was last seen in "Rangoon" in February, which was a box office debacle. The film also starred Shahid Kapoor and Saif Ali Khan.

Source: NDTV Movies