

Razzak's family to take legal stance against unauthorised biographies

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It has been over two weeks since the legendary actor Razzak passed on, but his demise has left behind a void that can never be filled. For some, the grief has sparked the desire to write a biography on the titan. Film director Chhotku Ahmed and many others have reportedly come forward saying they intend to publish the biographies in time for next year's Ekushey Boi Mela.

These initiatives have not been met with favour from the Nayak Raj's family. His younger son Khalid Hossain Shamrat has tried to shut down such endeavours, stating, "We have not given our consent to anyone to write a biography on our father's life. If any writer or publisher prints anything biographical on my father without his family's permission, we will take the matter to court."

About the possibility of any biographies being authorised by his father, Shamrat said: "While he was alive, a couple of writers sought permission to write about his life, but he told them to send the manuscripts to him for checking before publication. As someone who was with my father at every step of the way, I know for certain that there has been no agreement made for such an undertaking."



Cello-Piano concert at AFD today

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Alliance Française de Dhaka (AFD) is organising a musical concert titled "Cello-Piano-Audio 2" by Philip Hazra and Yulia Evdokimova today at its La Galerie.

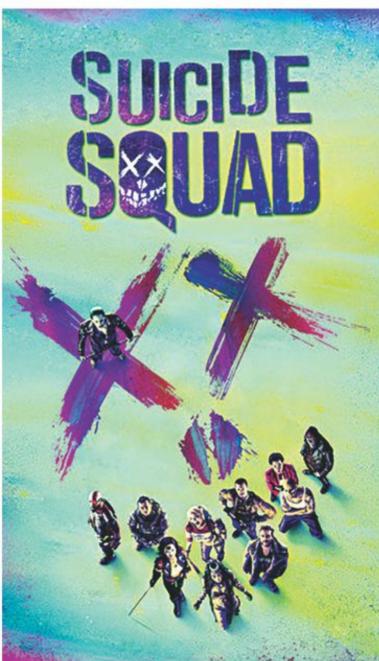
The second edition of the concert will be featuring solo and duo performances of the lyrics like LV Beethoven's "Minuet", C Saint-Saens' "The Swan", R Schuman's "Traumerei", C Gounod's "Ave Maria" and many more.

Maestro cellist Philip Hazra has been playing a vital role to promote western classical music in Bangladesh through teaching violin, viola, cello and double bass. He has been teaching violin and cello at AFD since 2007. Yulia Evdokimova has also been teaching piano in Bangladesh for the last twenty years.

The musical concert is open to all, but seating is available on a first come, first serve basis. This event is sponsored by Berger Paints Bangladesh Ltd.

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SUICIDE SQUAD 2 finds director



Gavin O'Connor is on board to write the sequel to "Suicide Squad", and is also in talks to direct the film that stars Will Smith, Margot Robbie, and Jared Leto.

The movie is a top priority at Warner Bros. and looks to be one of the two DC properties (the other being New Line's "Shazam!") to begin production next year. Given the ensemble's busy schedule, the shoot wasn't expected to start until fall of 2018. So while there's still time, the studio is eager to get someone on board to pen a script.

Following the news that David Ayer, who directed the first movie, would not be back, the open directing job has been one of the biz's most highly-touted gigs. Ayer directed the last super-villain tentpole, which was a huge hit for Warners — despite earning negative reviews — bringing in more than \$745 million worldwide.

O'Connor was already on a shortlist that included filmmakers Jaume Collet-Serra and Mel Gibson, both of whom were considered the studio's prime targets before they decided to tackle other projects. He most recently directed the action-drama "The Accountant", which Warner Bros. is already developing a sequel for.

Source: Variety

EID TV WATCH

Tele-film "The Hero" on ntv

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Written by Rumman Rashid Khan, directed by Md. Maksudur Rahman Bishal, and produced by Hiya Multimedia, Eid tele-film "The Hero" will air this afternoon at 2:20pm, on ntv. The story revolves around two characters, played by Apurbo and Nadiya Mim, who both want different things but are somehow intertwined in each other's lives.

About the tele-film, Apurbo says, "As a professional actor, it is my job to portray every character given to me. But not every character I play stays with everyone. I hope from 'The Hero', the audience gets an unforgettable character



"Mind Latif" on Rtv

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Mini-series "Mind Latif" airs today on Rtv, as part of the channel's Eid programming, at 7:50pm. The show is about a young man who is one of the only graduates of his village, and pompous about his achievement. He had wanted to be a lawyer and couldn't be, and nor could he find a job. But he believes people must speak to him with respect. The merest slight offends him. Even his brother, girlfriend, his barber, even a robber end up offending him somehow or the other. Written by Brindaban Das and directed by Taifur Jahan Ashik, "Mind Latif" stars Chanchal Chowdhury, Sohana Saba, Fazlur Rahman Babu, AKM Hasan, Shahnaz Khushi, Faruk Ahmed, Iffat Tisha and others.

Last episode of "Rupali" on Ekushey TV



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The last day of Eid-ul Azha festivities on Ekushey Television will see the final airing of mini-series "Rupali", at 8:30pm. The series is scripted by Shantanu Rahman and helmed by Shakhawat Manik.

The main cast of the show includes Purnima, Nayeem, Deepa Khandakar, Tanin Tanha, Dr. Ezaz and more. The play aired its pilot episode on the first day of Eid ul Azha.

Who is "The Last Jedi"? There's finally confirmation

There goes so much for the speculation and the secrecy surrounding the title of the next "Star Wars" movie. When The New York Times asked director Rian Johnson why December's installment in the series is called "The Last Jedi", he just straight-up explained who the title referred to.

"It's in the opening crawl of 'The Force Awakens'," he explained. "Luke Skywalker, right now, is the last Jedi. There's always wiggle room in these movies — everything is from a certain point of view — but coming into our story, he is the actual last of the Jedi. And he's removed himself and is alone on this island, for reasons unknown."

The opening crawl for 2015's "The Force Awakens" does clearly describe Skywalker as the last Jedi at the end of its opening paragraph:

Johnson also shared that the 'first thing' he had to figure out when writing the movie was just why Luke had gone into seclusion in the first place. "I didn't have any answers," he admitted. "But it's not like you can just pick anything you want out of the air. It grew up having a sense of who Luke Skywalker is. It guides you to a very specific path. I know he's not hiding on the island. I know he's not a coward. He must be there for a reason that he believes in. You're finding a path forward, but there end up being fewer choices than you think."

"Star Wars: The Last Jedi" opens worldwide on December 15.

Source: The Hollywood Reporter

