

Theatre Festival
DUDT Theatre Fest 2017
Organiser: DUDT
Venue: TSC Auditorium
Date: September 17-18
Time: 6pm

Painting Exhibition
Diversity of the Nature
Venue: Alliance Francaise de Dhaka
Date: September 15-29
Time: 3pm-9pm

Concert
Sound Check
Organiser: Yonder Music
Venue: ICCB Hall 4
Date: September 22
Time: 2pm

Solo Painting Exhibition
Title: Chronicle of Existence
Artist: Reza Asad Al Huda Anupam
Venue: La Galerie, AFD
Date: Sep 22-Oct 6
Time: 3-9pm

Theatre
Play: Secret of History
Troupe: Bunan Theatre
Venue: Experimental Theatre Hall, BSA
Date: September 18
Time: 7pm



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FERDOUS in TVC after 7 years

A CORRESPONDENT

Since 2010, National Award winning film actor Ferdous has been a popular face in ad campaigns. But now, after seven whole years, he will once again be seen in a TVC directed by Aditya and Arif.

Shooting for the commercial will take place in different locations in Cox's Bazar, from September 18-20. Ferdous will be the sole model of this TVC, he informs. About working in the TVC, Ferdous says, "I have worked with Arif and Aditya before, in my productions. I will be doing two separate TVCs for the same company. I liked the stories of both of them, so let's see how shooting goes."

Ferdous' other ventures include Mahmud Didar's upcoming film "Beauty Circus". He will be starring alongside Jaya Ahsan in the film. He is also expected to wrap up shooting for another film by A K Sohel, called "Pobitro Bhalobasha", in which he will be seen alongside Mousumi. He also recently completed shooting for film "Putro" by Saiful Islam, and "Kaler Putul" by Reza Galib. He also completed working on his own production, film "Postmaster 71".

About these upcoming films, Ferdous says, "Each of them have their own unique stories and is amazing. The characters too are very well thought out. I am very hopeful about every one of these films."



"I always look forward to returning to Bangladesh"

Tête-à-tête with Rituparna

SHAH ALAM SHAZU

Indian National Film Award-winning actress Rituparna Sengupta has graced the Dhallywood, Tollywood and Bollywood screens over the course of her extensive career. There is no slowing down the seasoned artiste, who recently arrived in Bangladesh to begin shooting for "Ekti Cinema'r Golpo", helmed by Alamgir. At the FDC premises, the actress talked to The Daily Star about her work, and more.

You have come all this way to work in "Ekti Cinema'r Golpo". Could you tell us something about this venture?

Rituparna: I don't want to give away the whole plot but the narrative is simply spectacular, and viewers will have an excellent film to watch in theatres. I love my character, and I hope to do justice to it.

How does it feel to work on a venture directed by Alamgir?

Rituparna: I have always been an admirer of

his work. Not only is he renowned as an actor, but he is a very reputed director as well. I am happy to be here, and I am quite happy with the entire filming crew. The other actors in the cast are doing an excellent job with their roles, and Alamgir is just the right person to work with to produce amazing work.

When was the last time you were in FDC?

Rituparna: It has been a while. The last time I was here, I was shooting for the film "Ek Cup Cha". Previously, I was here to shoot for another film as well, and this is why FDC has become so familiar to me, and I always look forward to returning here.

What does cinema mean to you?

Rituparna: All my hopes and endeavors revolve around films. I cannot imagine life outside being an actor, and I owe all my success to it. If it had not been for making films, I would not have been blessed with all the love and recognition I am receiving today.

How are you enjoying your trip so far?

Rituparna: My trips here have been work-

related, but it's going very well so far.

What do you look forward to eating in Dhaka the most?

Rituparna: Dhaka has a very distinct culinary culture. I love the *ilish maach* (hilsa), *chitol maach*, *Haji'r biryani*, and *chingri bharta*. I often think of these things whenever I go back home.

How busy are you in Kolkata on the work front?

Rituparna: I have a number of projects in the pipeline. On my return there, I have to begin filming immediately. This year, a new film will be released as well.

You are regarded for being ever-green. How do you keep this up?

Rituparna: I don't know, but I do hope to remain this way! I hope to go on living life surrounded by all the love I kindly receive from everyone.

With Durga Pooja nearing, The Daily Star wishes you advance greetings!

Rituparna: Thank you. And a happy Sharadiya Durga Puja to you all as well!

"Terrifying to go on a film set after two years" ...Dia Mirza

Dia Mirza will be seen playing the role of Sanjay Dutt's wife Manyata in Rajkumar Hirani's yet untitled biopic. The Bollywood actress says going on a film set after a gap of two years was terrifying. But the film's cast made her feel at home, and she feels she managed to do 'okay'.

"I had a great time filming (the biopic). It was terrifying as well because I actually got on to a film set after a gap of two years. Morning of my first day, I was terrified, but given the nature of the crew and the kind of people I was working with, and the sense of home that I felt, I did okay," Dia said.

Sanjay Dutt's biopic features Ranbir Kapoor as the protagonist. It also stars Sonam Kapoor, Anushka Sharma, Paresh Rawal, Manisha Koirala, Karishma Tanna, Vicky Kaushal and



Jim Sarbh. The film, written and directed by Hirani, will be opening up facets of Sanjay's personal as well as public life on the big screen.

The actress is excited about the film, but refrains from sharing any information about the narrative of the project. "It is with my favourite Indian film director. I have worked with him before (with 'Lage Raho Munna Bhai'). I get to work with one of the finest artists of my generation, Ranbir Kapoor. I am really excited about the film and I can't wait for the audiences to watch it," she added.

After winning the Miss Asia Pacific 2000 title, Dia made her Bollywood debut in 2001 with the sleeper hit "Rehnaa Hai Terre Dil Mein". Despite having a successful debut, she could not sustain the golden run in the Hindi film industry, and featured in projects like "Deewaanapan", "Tumko Na Bhool Paayenge", "Dum", "Parineeta" and "Kurbaan".

Source: TOI

Last episode of "Astha" on ntv tonight

A CORRESPONDENT

Television series "Astha" will air its last episode tonight, on ntv. The series, written and directed by Ejaz Munna, revolves around Sayna and Ayan, who have been married for three years. How the couple resolve their differences forms the crux of

the series.

"Astha" stars Al Mansur, Sazu Khadem, Kusum Sikder, Urmila Srabonti Karr, Sabila Nur, Irfan Sajjad, Shyamol Mowla, Shamima Naznin, Tasnuva Tisha, Abdullah Rana and many others.

"Astha" will air it's final episode tonight at 8:15 PM.



New TV programme on Banglavision

A CORRESPONDENT

A weekly TV programme titled "Anondoloke" on Arts, Literature, Books, Films and Painting started airing in

Banglavision from last Sunday. The programme is hosted by media personality Muhammad Jahangir and produced by Tahmina Mukta. The programme will be telecast every Sunday at 11.25 pm.

Emma Stone was pumped to gain 15 pounds for her new movie

Emma Stone, fresh off her Academy Award-winning performance in the delightful "La La Land", is about to face down gender inequality as part of the tennis drama "Battle of the Sexes". But in order to play tennis pro Billie Jean King convincingly, Stone put on weight, and her trainer says it made the actresses' day.

"We started doing training geared toward getting more weight and muscle on her, so it was a little more believable onscreen, and also for her mind and her character. ... She was ecstatic when she got on [the scale]. Most girls who get on the scale and gain weight freak out, [but] she had the biggest smile in the world when the weight started to increase," Emma Stone's trainer, Jason Walsh, told People magazine.

The film will portray the events of Jean King, a tennis icon and a former World No. 1 tennis player who tore down gender stereotypes as she challenged Bobby Riggs (who will be portrayed by Steve Carell in the film) in a highly publicized match. The event was massive, earning a viewership of nearly 90 million people back in 1973. To many, this was the event that legitimized women's tennis, and helped put it on the level of men's tennis in a still-uneven era of professional sport.

This is also an exciting follow up project for Emma Stone, as the industry usually plays very close attention to how an actor follows up their Oscar win. With "La La Land", Emma Stone bought herself credibility to get movies made, to pursue roles that might have been viewed as too difficult before. "Battle of the Sexes" made the rounds at the fall film festivals, and picked up mostly positive reviews. Early reviews are singling out Stone and saying that she could make another run at an Oscar nomination for playing the tennis ace on screen. Maybe that's why she was so happy to add the 15 pounds and produce toned muscles.

"Battle of the Sexes" opens in theatres on September 22.

Source: Cinemablend

