

<p><b>WHAT'S ON</b></p> <p>Short Film Showcase Organiser: Jatra Biroti Venue: Jatra Biroti Date: September 26 Time: 7pm</p>	<p>TUESDAY SEPT 26TH</p>	<p>Painting Exhibition Diversity of the Nature Venue: Alliance Francaise de Dhaka Date: September 15-29 Time: 3pm-9pm</p>	<p>Concert Sodium Bat'r Gaan Venue: TSC Game Room, Dhaka University Date: September 26 Time: 4pm</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>Solo Painting Exhibition Title: Stories from Nature Artist: Shahanoor Mamun Venue: Galleri Kaya Date: Sep 22-Oct 3 Time: 11am-8pm</p>
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**NEWS bytes**

**"Kingsman 2" headed for \$40M debut**

Spy comedy "Kingsman: The Golden Circle" is heading for a solid \$40 million opening weekend at 4,003 North American sites, early estimates showed. The third weekend of horror blockbuster "It" continues to scare up impressive business with a projected \$30 million,



followed by the launch of Warner Bros.' animated comedy "The Lego Ninjago Movie" with about \$21 million. Still, with three films over \$20 million, the overall box office represents a continued rebound for the movie business following a dismal late summer. Fox's "Kingsman: The Golden Circle" comes two years after "Kingsman: The Secret Service", brings back original stars Taron Egerton, Colin Firth, and Mark Strong, and adds newcomers Julianne Moore, Jeff Bridges, Channing Tatum, Halle Berry, and Elton John. Matthew Vaughn returns to direct the whimsical story of survivors of a secret British spy agency teaming up with their American counterparts after Moore's drug cartel threatens the world. The original debuted domestically with a \$36.2 million and went on to gross \$128.2 million Stateside and \$414 million worldwide.

Source: Variety

**Melodic rhythm and visual poetry at SAMF**

ZAHANGIR ALOM, writes from Singapore

The penultimate night (September 23) of the maiden South Asian Music Festival, held at MasterCard Theatres, Marina Bay Sands in Singapore, set off with the wonderful performance of Tagore songs by eminent Bangladeshi exponent Laisa Ahmed Lisa, who melodically rendered several numbers including "Je Raat-e Mor Duarguli Bhanglo Jhor-e" (based on Raga Bageshree), "Haye Ke Dibe Ar Shantona", "Ami Tokhono Chhilem Mogono Gohono" and a *baitalik* (without rhythm) song "Shudhu Tomar Bani Noygo Hey Bondhu Hey Priyo". The artiste truly touched the hearts of the audience as they candidly gave a standing ovation following her performance. Iftekhar Alam Pradhan on tabla and Asit Biswas on esraj accompanied her on stage. Promising Indian violinist

Deepak Pandit was next to take the stage. He with the talented tabla maestro Ojas Adhya set sail on an evocative musical journey. The melodic sync between them took the music lovers to a transcendental state of bliss. Their *sawal-jawab* styled recital was based on Raga Kirwani (alap, jod, jhala and gaut on madhyala teentaal). Deepak's second presentation was rather mellifluous as he wove melodies of *Malhar*, a combination of more than 10 ragas. Talented sitarist Niladri Kumar paired with tabla maestro Pt. Vijay Ghate to play a majestic Raga, Kaushik Dhvani. Niladri and Vijay Ghate entertained the audience with their aesthetic scores of musical phrases. Legendary Kathak maestro Pt. Birju Maharaj was the highlight of the evening. A leading exponent and torchbearer of the Kalka-Bindadin Gharana of Lucknow, he

is the only son and disciple of Achhan Maharaj, who wrote over 5000 thumri, dadra and bhajan. Maharaj, with his senior most disciple Saswati Sen displayed



various styles of Kathak. Pt. Birju Maharaj's dance is said to transcend the mathematical aspects of rhythm and become visual poetry. With immaculate expression of

eyes, the legendary Birju Maharaj, also a poet, singer, multi-instrumentalist and painter, said "Art is vast. If you can grasp it, you will find no difference in you and the art."

He started off with a graceful presentation set on a Khamaj thumri "Kaisi Baja Gaya Sham Banshuriya" and later showcased several *tehai*, *tukra*, *padan* and a *bhao* with rendering a thumri "Jane De Manika". Apart from displaying various styles of Kathak, Saswati Sen also danced to a Bhairavi Bhajan and a Dhamar on Raga Bageshree. Chandrachur Bhattacharya on sitar, Utpal Ghoshal on tabla and Anirban Bhattacharya on vocal accompanied the performances.

The festival, organised by Blues Communications in association with Perfect Harmony Global, is presented by IFIC Bank.



**"Dhaka Attack" takes promo campaign to universities**

A CORRESPONDENT

"Dhaka Attack", the upcoming cop thriller starring Arifin Shuvo and Mahiya Mahi in the central roles is set for release in three weeks, and the film is shifting gears in its promotional campaign.

The film released its second poster on Saturday, along with the announcement that a full theatrical trailer will drop on Tuesday afternoon. The film also yesterday took out their activation campaigns to several universities in the last two days, as part of a nationwide campaign to build up hype about the film. The cast and crew of the film visited Stamford University on Saturday, North South University yesterday morning, and then Jahangirnagar University in the afternoon -- where they promoted the movie. The campaign also includes a road show that began at the Rajarbag Police Line and has also been to Mintu Road's DB Office, Ramna, Baily Road, Shideswari, Moghbazar, Kakrail, Paltan, Gulistan, Kamlapur in the capital. The film, directed by Dipankar Dipon, also stars Syed Hasan Imam, Alamgir, Afzal Hossain, Laila Hasan, ABM Sumon, Shatabdi Wadud, Shipon Mitra and Nawshaba, among others. The film is written by additional superintendent of Bangladesh Police Sunny Sanwar and is produced by Splash Multimedia, Three Wheelers Ltd. and Dhaka Police Paribar Kallayan Samity Ltd.

**Chanchal Khan's Tagore album "Maharaj" released**



Asaduzzman Noor (C) and others at the album launch.

Tagore singer and researcher Chanchal Khan released his latest Rabindra Sangeet album, titled "Maharaj" at the Channel i premises on Saturday, says a press release.

Cultural Affairs Minister Asaduzzaman Noor launched the album as chief guest. Tagore researcher and Language Movement veteran Ahmed Rafique, author Selina Hossain, eminent cultural personality Mafidul Haque and Tagore singer Sadi Muhammad were present at the ceremony, among others.

The album, released under the banner of Impress Audio Vision, contains 10 songs. Rahul Chatterjee has arranged music for the album, which is sponsored by Igloo.

Channel i senior programme manager Amirul Islam delivered welcome speech at the programme. Noted singers Sadi Muhammad and Sajed Akbar discussed on the album.

Chanchal Khan is a disciple of eminent music teachers Waheedul Haque, Sanjida Khatun and Debabrata Biswas, and has so far released eight albums. He has also made two documentaries on Rabindranath Tagore.

**"Gohin Baluchor" OST launched**

A CORRESPONDENT

Badrul Anam Saud's upcoming film "Gohin Baluchor" released the album of its soundtrack, in a ceremony in the capital on Saturday. The album contains five songs -- all composed by Emon Shaha, that have been used in the film. Director Saud and cast members of the film were joined by other actors and singers at the programme. Among others, actors Ferdous, Enamul Haq, Wahida Mollick Jolly, Chitralkha Guha, Nima Rahman, Tauquir Ahmed, Ashna Habib Bhabna, Azad Abul Kalam, Jitu Ahsan, Bonnya Mirza, Shahadat Hossain, and singers Dinat Jahan Munni, Liza, Chandan Sinha, Oyshee and Jayita were present at the event. Suborna Mustafa, who plays an important role in the film, anchored the event. The songs on the film have been voiced by Dinat Jahan Munni, Liza, Chandan Sinha,



Guests unveil the album at the ceremony.

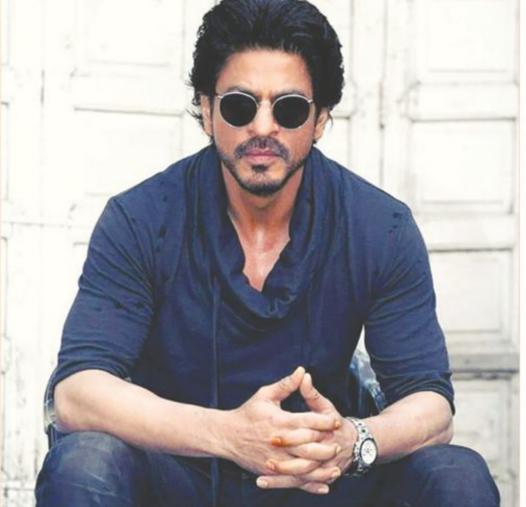
Fazlur Rahman Babu, Fahima Nasrin, Sabbir, Oyshee, Monir and Jayita. The first of the songs, "Bhalobashay Buk Bhashaya" has already released its video on YouTube.

"Gohin Baluchor", a romantic drama is set in a riverine area, is set for release October 20. It casts three newcomers -- Tanvir, Moon and Neela, along with a strong supporting cast including Raisul Islam Asad, Afroza Banu, Jitu Ahsan, Shahadat Hossain, Runa Khan and Shormy Mala.



The Green Art School, one of the city's premier centres of art school for children, held an award-giving ceremony at its Green Road premises on September 22. Eminent artist Abul Barq Alvi attended the event as chief guest and gave away the prizes among the winners.

**SRK to star in Tamil hit "Vikram Vedha" remake?**



After "Shubh Mangal Saavdhan", another Tamil superhit is on its way to be remade in Hindi. Hindustan Times says "Vikram Vedha" is going to be remade in Hindi and in all likelihood it will star Shah Rukh Khan. According to a report in Bollywoodlife, Shah Rukh Khan has bagged the remake rights of the movie where he will play one of the leads. It is not clear which role he will essay -- the no-nonsense cop played by R Madhavan or the story-telling villain played by Vijay Sethupathi in the original. The report further says that Shah Rukh will begin work on the film after he finishes his commitments with Anand L Rai's film, where he is playing a dwarf. The makers of "Vikram Vedha", however, have denied any such deal. They tweeted to say: "We have not

sold the remake rights of Vikram Vedha in any language. We have plans of producing it ourselves. Official announcement soon. Tx" Shah Rukh Khan's luck with the box office has run into rough weather of late. He hasn't had a big hit for a while. While "Fan" and Imtiaz Ali's "Jab Harry Met Sejal" bombed at the box office, "Dear Zindagi" and "Raees" just about managed to scrap through. "Vikram Vedha", however, did good business. The film, which released on July 21, collected Rs 50 crore by August, an IANS report said. This, despite the fact, that Tamil Nadu film industry has been reeling under the shock of the 30% entertainment tax levied by the Tamil Nadu government in addition to 28% GST.

Source: Hindustan Times

**Kingsman THE GOLDEN CIRCLE**

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**QUIZ - 03**

Who played the Kingsman secret agent in Kingsman: The Golden Circle movie?

**Winners list of QUIZ-02**

1. Tanvir Rahman, Mohammadpur
2. Rafez Maisoon, Banani
3. Nilima Bala Mondal, Palashi
4. Intezar, Mohakhali
5. Sadia Sharmin Bristy, Mirpur-01
6. Ehsanul Kabir Sakib, Mohammadpur
7. Farah Moriam, Uttara
8. Muaz Ahmed, Shegunbagicha
9. Md. Mazharul Hossain, Farmgate
10. M Shabraj Shahid, North Badda