

Solo Art Exhibition
Title: Hybrid by Estita Mitra
Venue: Kakalakendra, 1/11 Iqbal Rd, Mohammadpur
Date: Sep 23-Oct 14
Time: 5pm-8pm



Birth Centenary Festival
Commemorating Abdul Kalam
Mohammed Zakaria
Venue: Bokulatali, Chittagong, 11/11
Date: Oct 2-4
Time: 4:30pm



**Solo Ceramic Art
Exhibition**
Artist: Akhtaran Nahar Ily
Venue: Nalini Kantan Bhattacharya
Gallery, Bangladesh National
Museum, Dhaka
Date: Oct 2-10; Time: 9:30am-5:30pm



Solo Painting Exhibition
Title: Chronicle of Existence
Artist: Reza Asad Al Huda Anupam
Venue: Lulu Art, BD 107
Date: Sep 22-Oct 6
Time: 3-9pm



**Solo Painting
Exhibition**
Title: Stories from Nature
Artist: Shashanur Mamun
Venue: Lulu Art, BD 107
Date: Sep 22-Oct 3
Time: 11am-8pm



Khushid Alam receives the Lifetime Achievement Award (C); James (L) and Momtaz (R) perform at the ceremony.

Channel i Music Award held

Awards handed in Critics' Choice and popular categories

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The 12th Channel i Music Award, powered by 102, was held at Bangabandhu International Conference Centre in the capital on September 29 evening. Hundreds of artists attended the largest award giving ceremony in the country's music scene.

Starting from dazzling stage decorations to delightful musical presentations and charming dance performances, the event was packed with entertainment. With the participation of artists, film & television stars and members of the music fraternity, the programme covered everything to spellbind the audience.

The Lifetime Achievement Award went to renowned singer Khushid Alam for his outstanding contributions to the enrichment of music.

Noted singers Ferdousi Rahman and Syed Abdul Hadi; Faridur Reza Sagor, managing

director of Impress Tele-film Limited and Channel i; Khushid Irfan Chowdhury, Executive Director, Transcom Beverages Limited and Mukit Majumdar Babu, Director, Channel i, handed over the award to Khushid Alam.

Khushid Alam said, "I am feeling proud to receive the award for my lifetime. I am grateful to Channel i and all the jury members who selected me for the award."

For the first time, organisers conferred a special award to noted singer Shammi Akter. Due to illness, she couldn't attend the programme. Her husband and daughter received the award on her behalf. Four eminent music directors – Alauddin Ali, Sheikh Sadi Khan, Alam Khan and Ali Hossain – were also honoured at the programme.

Thirty artists, music directors, album cover designers and music video makers received Critics' Awards in different categories.

The award winning artistes included Anima Roy (Rabindra Sangeet), Nasrid Kamal (Nazrul Sangeet), Shafi Mondal (folk music), Fahim Nabi (aduhin song), Priyanka Gope (classical music), James (film playback), and Mehedi Hasan (emerging singer).

Shafiq Turhin also received Critics' Award for music direction while Asif Iqbal bagged award for best lyrics. Parmitibo bagged best band award. Tanim Rahman, Anshu, Pavel Areen and Nahid received awards in critics' choice for music video, sound engineer and cover design respectively.

Moreover, Kumar Biswajit received Popular Choice Award in adhunik songs. Shahn Khan as emerging singer, Obscure as best band, Imran for film playback and Romno Khan for music video received awards in this category.

The colourful event also featured perfor-

mances by both popular and prominent singers.

A host of musicians including Swami Zubayeer and a host of noted instrumentalists presented monosongs along with a riveting dance by Mehral Hague Tushar and co-artists; renowned Balu Shaf Mondal and co-artists rendered folk songs; renowned Tagore singer Rezon Chowdhury Bananya and queen Momtaz rendered solos. James performed two songs and singer Imran and actor Purnima performed songs with dance at the programme among others.

Fazana Brownia hosted the programme, directed by Ejiji Khan Swapan. The recorded version of the programme will air on Channel i on 6 October.

Today (October 1) also marks the 19th birth anniversary of Channel i, and the channel will air day-long special programmes on the occasion.

Miniseries "Bou Shashuri Barabari" on Deepto TV

A CORRESPONDENT

A six-episode TV miniseries titled "Bou Shashuri Barabari" is airing on Deepto TV from September 30 to October 5, twice daily at 6pm and 9:30pm. Written by Sahid U Nabi and directed by Ahmed Khan Hirok, it casts Mir Sabbir, Nazem, Tanika, Ishana and Monira Mintha.

Siddika Rahman is the head of her family with a subdued husband, two obedient sons and a docile daughter-in-law. The scenario changes when the younger son gets married on his own accord and brings her newlywed wife to the family. An 'opposition party' builds up in the family around the new member.



Kristen Stewart eyed for "Charlie's Angels" reboot



Kristen Stewart is being eyed for the "Charlie's Angels" reboot, according to sources close to the project, reports Variety.

The "Twilight" star would play one of the members of the female private detective agency. Stewart's not the only name being considered. Casting is under way, and Sony, the studio behind the film, is also interested in several other big names, including Oscar-winner Lupita Nyong'o.

Elizabeth Banks, who scored with "Pitch Perfect 2", is directing the film. It's

slated for a summer 2019 release, and Sony has franchise hopes for the project.

Stewart has focused largely on indie fare in recent years, earning raves for her work in "Still Alice", "Cafe Society", and "Personal Shopper". She hasn't headlined a major studio tentpole film since "Snow White and the Huntsman" in 2010. She will appear in Fox's "Underwater", which centers on a crew of underwater researchers scrambling with the fallout from an earthquake.

"Charlie's Angels" first came to public

attention during its five-season run on ABC from September 22, 1976 to June 24, 1981. It was later given the big screen treatment in 2000, with Cameron Diaz, Drew Barrymore and Lucy Liu playing the Angels. That film was a major hit, earning \$264.5 million. A sequel, 2003's "Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle" disappointed at the domestic box office, but got a lift from overseas crowds, topping out at \$259.2 million globally.

Source: Variety

Pry-Shunno record song for Rohingyas

A CORRESPONDENT

Upcoming band Pry-Shunno have recorded a song highlighting the plight of the Rohingya refugees who have been seeking shelter in Bangladesh from ethnic violence in their homeland of Myanmar in recent weeks. A part of the song has been uploaded on the band's Facebook page.

The song, titled "Rohingya", has been written by Faisal Not and composed by Raju Bamachari. Raju, also the band leader, says

"We have tried to portray the historic background of the Rohingya crisis and their suffering, which was not an easy task. It's unbearable to see such inhumane ethnic cleansing at this point in human civilization, and that feeling of hurt has compelled us to make this song."

Pry-Shunno's debut album, "Prarthona's Mowdane", was released in April this year. The band's lineup is: Monju (vocals), Raju (guitarist and band leader), Kamran (drums) and Jabe (bass).



"Judwaa 2" opens strong at the Box Office

David Dhawan's "Judwaa 2", starring Varun Dhawan, Jacqueline Fernandez and Taapsee Pannu, has opened well at the Bollywood Box Office with a collection of 15.5 crore on its opening day. The news comes as a relief for Bollywood which has not been faring well over the last several months, reports Hindustan Times.

Trade analyst Taran Adarsh tweeted the numbers on Saturday: "#Judwaa2 pumps oxygen in the lungs of an ailing industry... Has a TERRIFIC Day... Fri 15.5 cr. India biza" he tweeted.

"Add-on to tweet year's top films which had bumper openings."

"Top 5 openers - 2017: #Bashibulali 8s 21.27 Tuberight 8s 21.15 cr 3s Raees

Rs 20.42 cr 4s Judwaa 2 Rs 15.55 cr 5s

JHMS Re 15.25 cr India biza" he tweeted.

However, a great opening doesn't necessarily ensure that the film will sail through, as has been the case with Salman Khan-starrer "Tubelight".

"Judwaa 2" is a remake of the 1997 hit starring Salman Khan, Karisma Kapoor and south Indian actor Rambsa. The film was also directed by David Dhawan, who now directed his son Varun in the movie.

One of his sons has anger issues, while the other refuses to get married despite family pressure.

Said to be a laugh riot, "Judwaa 2"



received mixed reviews while a few had a word of praise for Varun Dhawan's performance.

Jacqueline Fernandez and Taapsee Pannu

play the love interests to his twin avatars.

Source: Hindustan Times

NEWS bytes

L. RICHIE joins "Idol" as third judge



Grammy Award-winning musician Lionel Richie will join Katy Perry and Luke Bryan on the judging panel for ABC's revival of singing competition series "American Idol", the network announced Friday.

"I am very excited to be joining Katy, Luke and Ryan on American Idol," Richie said in a statement. "As a singer, songwriter and producer, I feel I can bring a great deal of experience to the table. It's going to be so much fun!"

As previously reported, Ryan Seacrest will return to host Season 16 of "Idol", which is slated to premiere in September 2018. But fans won't have to wait long to see the new judging panel: The trio will make their debut appearance on ABC's "Good Morning America" on Wednesday, October 4.

Source: TVLine