

WHAT'S ON

Solo Art Exhibition
 Title: Hybridity by Eshita Mitra
 Artist: Tony
 Venue: Kakakendra, 1/11 Iqbal Rd, Mohammapur
 Date: Sep 23-Oct 14
 Time: 5pm-8pm



Solo Painting Exhibition
 Title: Cryptic Monologue
 Artist: JAVED JALIL
 Venue: EMK Center, Dhamondi
 Date: October 2-15
 Time: 10am-8pm



Solo Ceramic Art Exhibition
 Artist: Akhtarun Nahar Ivy
 Venue: Nalini Kanta Bhattachali Gallery, Bangladesh National Museum
 Date: Oct 2-10; Time: 9:30am-5:30pm



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



Solo Painting Exhibition
 Title: Stories from Nature
 Artist: Shahanoor Mamun
 Venue: Galleri Kaya
 Date: Sep 22-Oct 3
 Time: 11am-8pm



NEWS bytes

KINGSMAN 2 leads international BO

"Kingsman: The Golden Circle" has returned to the top of the international and worldwide box office charts. The heist sequel from Fox is posting \$50.5 million overseas, with a big boost from Korea. Combined with its \$17 million at the domestic market, the movie directed by Matthew Vaughn and starring Colin Firth, Julianne Moore, and Taron Egerton — should pass the \$200 million worldwide mark in the next few days. Right now its two-frame total is \$192.9 million. Meanwhile, Warner Bros. and New Line's "It" continues to post



monster numbers. The Stephen King adaptation is earning \$35.6 million abroad from 64 territories abroad this weekend, raising its global grosses to a massive \$553.2 million. Tom Cruise drug trade movie "American Made" opened this weekend in domestic locations, but has been out in theatres overseas for a few weeks.

Source: Variety



"I am a director's actor"

...AFRAN NISHO

SHAH ALAM SHAZU

Afran Nisho is one of the more popular television actors of this generation. With a hectic schedule dedicated to both modeling and acting, Nisho gives more of time to acting compared to anything else, which has helped him towards his stardom. He has been able to create his identity in the industry with his undertone, natural acting. The actor recently spoke to The Daily Star about his career and more.

How did you begin your career?
 Nisho: I began my career as a model. I began loving what I did and also got much mileage out of it. Eventually this led to acting gigs.

What was the turning point in your acting career?
 Nisho: Come to think of it, there was no turning point as such. When I was modeling, I used to toy with the idea of being an actor. At one point, I just began getting assignments. Slowly and steadily, directors and viewers started

appreciating my work. So there isn't one particular play that was my turning point, all of them were turning points.

What do you feel about your hard won popularity in showbiz?
 Nisho: It's a blessing from God. People admire me, they admire my work — this isn't something everyone can achieve easily. I could have chosen a different career. Had I done so, I wouldn't have got so much admiration. And this respect and admiration in turn drives me to do better, and be a more responsible actor.

What kind of characters do you generally like to play?
 Nisho: There is no particular kind of character or role that appeals to me specifically. I am a director's actor. I have already worked in many different and unique stories, and played a wide variety of characters. All of them have so far been well-received by the audience, and that is all I really want. So, I like to play any and every character which can bring out good work from me, and good response from the audience.

Do you want to be recognised as a hero or an actor?

Nisho: Since I began acting, I never had the desire to be a 'hero'. I just wanted to be a good actor. I want to be involved in good stories, and good storytelling. I want to be an artiste. A good artiste can play any role, not just necessarily the 'hero' of a cinema. Like Humayun Faridee, he wasn't a 'hero', he was an artiste.

Do you have a plan to go into films?

Nisho: Every actor dreams of working in cinema. I generally do television plays, but I have gotten a number of offers for cinema. If I get a good story, character and remuneration then of course I'll work in that film.

As a child, what was your dream?

Nisho: Sometimes I would dream of becoming a pilot, at others being a corporate type. I wanted different things at different times, but I ended up being an actor. And I want to do it well.

Who is your idol as an actor?

Nisho: Humayun Faridee.

Neela dazzles in "Tare Dekhi Ami Roddure"

New "Gohin Baluchor" song on YouTube

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Badrul Anam Saud's debut film "Gohin Baluchor" is all set for countryside release on October 20. After the first song, "Bhalobasha Buk Bhashaiya" created a buzz; the team released their second song and video, "Tare Dekhi Ami Roddure", during the late hours of September 30 on G Series Music's Youtube page.

The lyric of "Tare Dekhi Ami Roddure" has been penned by director Saud himself. The song was composed by Emon Shaha, sung by Sania Sultana Liza, and choreographed by Naziba Basher. The video features a new face on the silver screen - Neelanjona Neela who is shown to visualise a love angle with male lead, Shujon, played by newcomer Tanvir.

Portraying the role of Nishi, this is Neelanjona's first venture on the big screen. Her journey in the entertainment



industry began when she competed in the 2014 edition of Lux Channel i Superstar. Since then, she has become a familiar face in TVCs and TV plays. "I always wanted to act. But modelling was easier. Acting requires a lot of effort- the kind of effort I have very recently learned to give. And so, now I definitely prefer acting to modelling," says Neelanjona. "I think I acquired most of my skills as an actor while shooting for 'Gohin Baluchor'. I had worked with Badrul Anam Saud before for a TV series called 'Antojatra'. I learned then that his unit functions differently compared to most. There is a lot of dedication, discipline and passion. This was the first time I had to memorise my script!" she adds, admitting to nervousness about her debut film.

Along with newcomers Neela, Tanvir, and Moon, "Gohin Baluchor" stars veteran actors Suborna Mustafa, Raisul Islam Asad, Afroz Banu, Shahadat Hossain, Jeetu Ahsan, Runa Khan and more.

DiCaprio keen to star in Stan Lee biopic

Leonardo DiCaprio apparently wants to play Stan Lee in a movie biopic, according to the Marvel comic book legend himself. Lee has received a bevy of accolades as acknowledgments for his countless contributions to the world of comic books and to the broader sense of pop culture. Of course, the story behind how Lee made a name for himself in the world of comic books and how he came up so many characters and stories that have enraptured comic readers for decades now, is one as deserving of a film treatment as Lee's many superhero stories are.

Outside of his comic book writing, Lee is best known for making cameo appearances in Marvel movies (both of the Marvel Cinematic Universe and non-MCU variety). However, despite having appeared in multiple films and even some TV shows over the years, Lee's own tale has never been properly told on either the big or small screen. When the time does come for Lee's real-life story to be adapted in movie form, it seems that no less than Oscar-winner DiCaprio wants to be the one who portrays Stan the Man onscreen.

Speaking at a panel during the Wizard World Nashville event, the 94-year old Lee revealed that DiCaprio wants to portray him in a movie biopic:

"Believe it or not, I've already discussed it with Leonardo DiCaprio. He's a neighbor of mine and we were talking one day some months ago, and he said, 'Boy it'd



be fun to do your story on the screen.'" So I said, 'Well, I'll audition you.' Gotta make sure the guy can do it." Lee also revealed that DiCaprio is a proper Marvel fanboy, adding "He has all the walls covered with big Marvel posters and everything. He's got very good taste." DiCaprio's name is currently doing the rounds in the comic book movie circle, following a report that the actor is Warner Bros' dream pick to play Joker in the DC Extended Universe-separate Joker origin movie that's in very early development. The project is lining up some pretty big names behind the scenes, with "The Hangover" and "War Dogs" filmmaker Todd Phillips set to direct and DiCaprio's longtime collaborator Martin Scorsese closing a deal to produce. DiCaprio recently also teamed up again with Scorsese for the upcoming biopic of former US president Teddy Roosevelt.

Source: Screenrant



"Ayna" on Rtv tonight

A CORRESPONDENT

Viewers can tune into Rtv tonight to watch more of the Khan family on the series titled "Ayna". Helmed by Kawsar Ahmed and scripted by Rezwana Khan, the main cast includes Ilyas Kanchan, Syed Hasan Imam, Prova, Monira Mithu, Shoshee, Golam Farida Chhonda and more. The series is aired every Sunday through Tuesday at 8:10pm on Rtv.

The narrative focuses on the Khan family,

headed by patriarch Shahrax Khan, Chairman of Khan Group of Industries. He lives with his extended family, son and famous singer Mazahar Khan, daughter-in-law Sanjida, and daughters Jamini and Kamini. Another member of the household is Khan's destitute and distant cousin Soraya Begum, who arrived from the village with her daughters Roshni and Phulki. Life takes an unwelcome turn when Roshni takes her own life, and the story winds to uncover the secrets behind her death.

SONAKSHI joins "Happy Bhag Jayegi" sequel

Eros International and Aanand L Rai's Colour Yellow Productions are working on the sequel to "Happy Bhag Jayegi", and the team has roped in Sonakshi Sinha and Diana Penty to star in the film. Titled "Happy Bhag Jayegi Returns", the film will feature Sonakshi as the new Happy, along with the original character, played by Diana. "I'm thrilled to be on board of this really positive, vibrant and most importantly happy film unit. I loved the first part and I hope this one is bigger and better in every way. Can't wait to start shooting!" Sonakshi said in a statement.

The movie goes on floors in Punjab this month. "HBJ was a special film for me, so being part of 'HBJ Returns' is like going back to family! 'HBJ' was a fun, roller-coaster of a ride and I'm sure this one is going to be as much of a riot! I'm looking forward to the shoot," Diana said.

Directed by Mudassar Aziz, "Happy Bhag Jayegi" released last year in August, and featured Abhay Deol, Ali Fazal and Jimmy Sheirgill.

Source: DNA India



Ivy's ceramic exhibition opens at BNM



A solo ceramic exhibition by artist Akhtarun Nahar Ivy opened yesterday at the Nalinikanta Bhattachali Gallery of Bangladesh National Museum (BNM). Gallery Cosmos is organising the exhibition, says a press release.

Syed Abdus Samad, former Executive Chairman of the Board of Investment, Ahn Seong-Doo, Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to Bangladesh, eminent artist Hashem Khan and renowned historian Professor Muntassir Mamoon jointly inaugurated the exhibition. Enayetullah Khan, Chairman of Gallery Cosmos showed the welcome speech, while Faizul Latif Chowdhury, Director General of BNM presided over the occasion.

Akhtarun Nahar Ivy has chosen clay as the medium for her art. Her works include terracotta compositions, ceramic paintings, glazed pottery of various shapes and sizes, and mosaic painting using terracotta and porcelain pieces. She has used colors, sketches and curving and brought up various dimensions through clay. The subjects of her compositions are people, nature and life in general.

The exhibition will run from October 2-10, everyday from 9:30am to 5:30pm, and 2:30pm - 7:30pm on Friday.