

WHAT'S ON

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



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



Solo Tapestry Exhibition
 Artist: Tajul Islam
 Venue: Gallery Cosmos
 Date: October 7-13;
 Time: 11am-8pm



Ganga-Jamuna Theatre & Cultural Fest
 Venue: Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy
 Date: Oct 6-15
 Time: 7pm



Bangladesh Film Festival 2017
 Venue: National Art Gallery Plaza, BSA
 Date: Oct 6-21
 Time: 5pm onwards



BHABNA touches new grounds

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

One of the most popular faces in the worlds of Bangladeshi television and film, actress Bhabna is reinventing herself. The artiste is trying her hand at storytelling, and has written a narrative titled "Abortion" which is set to be adapted into a short film by the same name scripted and directed by Animesh Aich.

With Bhabna in the shoes of the protagonist, filming is currently on hold as the team scouts for a young child actor of about five years old. Shooting is slated to take place around various locations in the capital. "I am currently preparing for my role," said Bhabna, "I often have these ideas for new stories which I mull over quite a lot, and the concept of this short film has been on my mind for some time."

Meanwhile, the busy actress has wrapped up filming for two single episode plays. She appears alongside Shajal in "Bhalobashar Shimantey", and plays a traffic police in a yet untitled play.



Quiet birthday for Apu Biswas!



SHAH ALAM SHAZU

Since Apu Biswas' return to the limelight, the actress has been quick to reclaim recognition as one of the most esteemed actresses of this generation. Today marks yet another and perhaps a most significant beginning for the artiste, as she steps into a new year. However, the celebrated star has no big plans for her birthday, opting to spend the occasion quietly with her family.

"Ever since I started working in films, I have never celebrated my birthday on a grand scale," said the actress, who also added she would like to spend the time focusing on her son, Joy, instead.

However, some rituals have stayed strong over the years. Every birthday, Apu Biswas' mother lovingly cooks payesh for her daughter, and today will be no different. For an artiste who wants to keep a low profile on her big day, what are her birthday wishes? "I would like my fans and well wishers to keep us in their prayers. Before, I was alone, and from there I found my significant other. Now there is another beautiful addition to the family, and I would like prayers to keep us happy and whole," she revealed. The artiste also added that she excitedly looks forward to the plethora of birthday wishes and greetings from her fans, family and friends most on the day.

Despite being an actress with numerous accolades to her name, she considers motherhood to be her biggest joy and achievement. However, she has decided to remain active in her career, and has begun shooting for a new venture.



Siam's first venture into films

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Popular young television actor Siam Ahmed will be away from Dhaka, his home and his family for over a month. This entire month he will be busy shooting for his first ever film. While waiting for filming to begin, Siam spent his time making the rounds of relatives and seeking their blessings for his first venture on the silver screen.

The world of film has always had an attraction for Siam. "My interest for films grew when I began acting for TV plays. I was just waiting for the right opportunity. The opportunity came with the announcement of making "Poramon 2", produced by Jaaz Multimedia and directed by Raihan Rafi," says Siam. The team has recently traveled to Meherpur to shoot.

In the film, Siam will be playing the role of protagonist Sujon Shah. Amongst newcomers on television, Siam is one of the more popular faces and one of the first to bag a film role. His avatar as a film actor has been welcomed by his friends and family. "Even though my parents weren't keen on my acting career at the beginning, they ultimately realized that I was doing the right thing. I took the challenge of convincing them to let me be a part of this film, and I hope they won't be disappointed this time either," says Siam. His understanding and coordinating with director Raihan Rafi was also a new and grand experience for him.

"I had never imagined I would be welcomed into the film industry so warmly right after receiving my first ever role. I have faith in myself, and I feel that doing well is now my responsibility." The young actor firmly believes that it is good luck that has paved the way into the industry for him.

Joler Gaan enthralled huge audience at BAU

AMINUL ISLAM, Mymensingh

Popular folk band Joler Gaan enthralled a large audience last Saturday at Shilpacharya Zainul Abedin Auditorium of Bangladesh Agricultural University (BAU), Mymensingh.

Fronted by Rahul Ananda, the band's renditions included their popular hit songs including "Bakul Phul", "Jhara Pata", "Ma", "Emon Jodi Hoto", "Patar Gaan", "Baula Batash", "Ranger Gaan", "Kagojer Nauka" and many more. During the riveting two hour performance, some 20 songs were performed.

At the outset, artistes of the band explained that their lyrics were stories about the people of this country, its environment, traditions and heritage. Traditional musical instruments are also used in their performance, the artistes said.

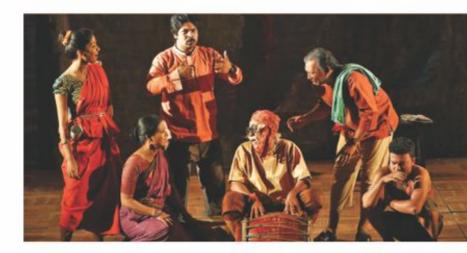
The evening was followed by the 57th founding anniversary of BAU, sources said.



Earlier, a colourful procession was brought out on the campus marking the occasion. Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid inaugurated the day's programme as chief guest.

The programmes also included discussions on the achievement of BAU during its 57-year journey and exhibition of agricultural technology developed by BAU, sources said.

Minister for Religious Affairs principal Motiur Rahman, vice-chancellor of BAU Prof Dr Md Ali Akbar, Prof Dr Monjurul Alam, Md Hamidur Rahman, Badiuzzaman Badsha and Prof Dr AKM Zakir Hossain addressed the discussion.



On the fourth day of the Ganga-Jamuna Theatre and Cultural Festival, Kolkata's theatre troupe Gonokrishti staged "Tomar Ami" at the National Theatre Hall (Left), Dhaka's Aranyak Natyadal staged "The Jubilee Hotel" at the Experimental Theatre Hall (top right), and Natya Teertha staged "Komola Shundori" at the Studio Theatre Hall, at the Bangladesh Shilpakala premises. The Ganga-Jamuna Theatre and Cultural Festival began on October 6 and will continue till October 15.

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8. Razin Mustafiz, Adabor
9. Mira Mallick, Gulshan-I
10. Shirin Akter, Tejgaon

Will Smith, Tom Holland to star in animated movie

Will Smith and Tom Holland will star in the animated movie "Spies in Disguise," Variety has learned.

The project is based on "Pigeon: Impossible," a 2009 original animated short film by Lucas Martell that followed a secret agent who nearly triggers a global conflict when a pigeon gets stuck in a government-issued nuclear briefcase. The feature-length film is a Fox Animation production, with Blue Sky Studios and Chernin Entertainment overseeing the project.

Nick Bruno, who previously worked on "Epic" and "The Peanuts Movie," and Troy Quane, who worked on "Ice Age: Collision Course" and the upcoming "Ferdinand," will co-direct the film.

Smith is best known for his work in "Men in Black" and "Independence Day." He previously lent his vocal talents to "Shark Tale." Smith's upcoming films include "Bright," a sci-fi adventure for Netflix, and "Aladdin," a live action version of



the Disney classic that will play the Genie.

Holland hit the A-list playing Spider-Man in "Captain America: Civil War" and "Spider-Man: Homecoming." He will appear in "Chaos Walking," a dystopian sci-fi adventure, and has a supporting role in "The Current War," a historical drama.

"Spies in Disguise" will open on January 18, 2019. Under newly minted studio chief Stacey Snider, Fox has been bolstering its animated output. It wants to make an animated film every year, and recently inked a long-term co-production and development deal with Locksmith Animation.

Smith is represented by CAA. Holland is represented by WME and Curtis Brown Group.

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