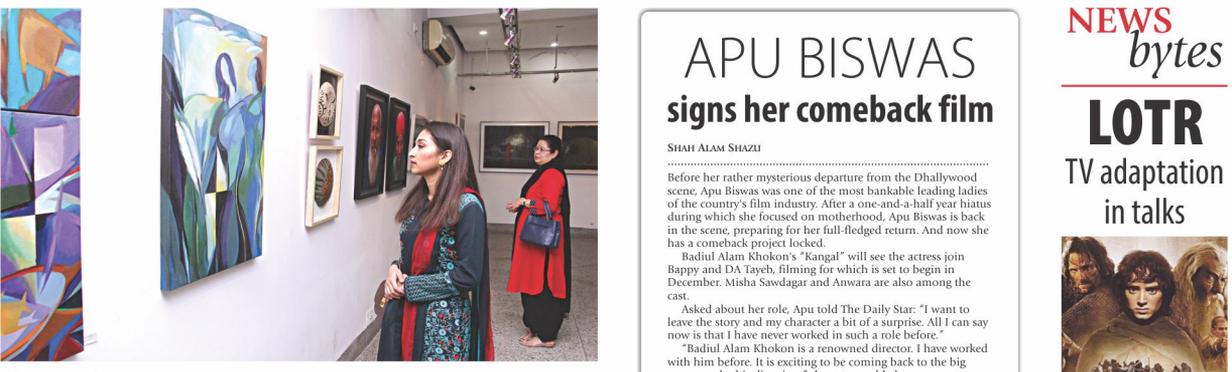


<p><b>Solo Art Exhibition</b>                  Artist: Roder Khatun                  Venue: Gallery Utama, #4, B&amp;A, Dharmad                  Date: Oct 21- Nov 15                  Time: 10am-5pm</p>	<p><b>Group Art Exhibition</b>                  Title: A Delightful Journey by the Stories                  Venue: La Galerie, AFD, Dharmad                  Date: Nov 3-10                  Time: 3-5pm (Mon-Thu) and 10am-12noon &amp; 5-8pm (Fri-Sat)</p>	<p><b>Dhaka International Folk Fest</b>                  Organizer: Sam Communication                  Venue: Army Stadium                  Date: November 9-11                  Time: 10pm onwards</p>	<p><b>Solo Art Exhibition</b>                  Artist: Anwar Hossain                  Venue: Khatun Khatun                  Date: Oct 21-Nov 15                  Time: 10am-5pm</p>	<p><b>Album Launch</b>                  Band: Ahsanul                  Venue: ISC                  Date: Nov 9                  Time: 7pm</p>
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# APU BISWAS signs her comeback film

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### TV adaptation in talks

Before her rather mysterious departure from the Dhallywood scene, Apu Biswas was one of the most bankable leading ladies of the country's film industry. After a one-and-a-half year hiatus during which she focused on her motherhood, Apu Biswas is back in the scene, preparing for her full-fledged return. And now she has a comeback project locked.

Badiul Alam Khokon's 'Kangal' will see the actress join Bappy and DA Layeb. Filming for which is set to begin in December. Misha Sawdagar and Anwara are also among the cast.

Asked about her role, Apu told The Daily Star: "I want to leave the story and my character a bit of a surprise. All I can say now is that I have never worked in such a role before."

"Badiul Alam Khokon is a renowned director. I have worked with him before. It is exciting to be coming back to the big screen under his direction," the actress added.

Asked about her preparation for the film, Apu said: "I will begin work with 100% preparation. I am regularly hitting the gym and shedding some weight. My viewers are my life, and I want to give my best for them."

Although this marks Apu's first new project, she has recently wrapped up filming for an older film titled "Panku Jama", which was left incomplete because Apu was taking a break for her motherhood.

Apu Biswas, who has 86 films to her credit, is half of one of the most successful on-screen pairings of Dhallywood in recent years, with Shakib Khan. The duo has done 57 films together, the latest of which to release was "Rajneeti" which came out earlier this year.

Warner Bros. Television and the estate of JRR Tolkien are in talks with Amazon Studios to develop a series based on the late author's "The Lord of the Rings" novels. Amazon CEO Jeff Bezos is said by sources with knowledge of the situation to be personally involved in the negotiations, which are still in very early stages. No deal has been set, reports Variety.

The studio and the Tolkien estate have been shopping a series based on the classic fantasy novels and their assortment of hobbits, wizards, and warriors, sparking a competitive situation from which Amazon has emerged as the frontrunner. Representatives for Amazon and Warner Bros. declined to comment.

The pursuit of "The Lord of the Rings" is in line with a new programming mandate dictated this year by Bezos, who, months before his predecessor Price departed, ordered him to shift Amazon Studios away from niche, naturalistic series such as "Transparent" and "Mozart in the Jungle" and toward large-scale genre programming with potential for broad international appeal.

Source: **Variety**

# "A Delightful Journey" opens at AFD

marks of his another work that portrays the beauty of seashore.

With folk motifs and geometric forms, MR Deedar has depicted rhythmic semi abstract acrylic works. Vibrant hues and the separation of colours are the distinctive features of his works. Nasima Khanam Queenie has portrayed her artistic thoughts mingling her patriotic passion with the motherland. The oriental styled Birds depicted by Shammy Yasmin are beautiful while the works of traditional rickshaw paintings are noticeable in Roksana Akhter Banu's works.

Selina Chowdhury Mili depicted "Paper Boat". The woodcut prints are also evocative of geometric shapes with separate colour treatments. Without paper boat the composition remind us of the artworks by Mark Rothko.

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The exhibition, open from Monday to Thursday (3pm to 9pm) and on Fridays and Saturdays (9am to 12 noon and 5pm to 8pm), continues until November 10.

Both noted and promising artists – Bitap Shavan Bachhar, Dewan Nazrul Rappe, Didarul Alam Dipu, MR Deedar, Md. Elias Hossain, Md. Habib Ullah Bahar, Nasima Khanam Queenie, Roksana Akhter Banu, Selina Chowdhury Mili, Shammy Yasmin, Tanjila Sumaiya Siddique and Umme Tania – have come together to exhibit their artworks which, as the title suggests, recount the delightful journey they have shared together.

Renowned artist Professor Jamal Ahmed and this correspondence are taking part in the exhibition as guest artists. The participating artists, representing various age groups, have adeptly executed artworks on diverse media. One thing is common to all that they depicted multifarious beauties of Bangladesh," said Ramendu Majumdar.

"Art Stories" constitutes a single entity. Artists should look towards the collective benefit of the group rather than their individual ones. I hope we will go a long way," said Nasima Khanam Queenie, the curator of the exhibition.

Among the exhibited artworks, Jamal Ahmed's 'Fisherman' (acrylic) is a fine composition. A dynamic movement of the subject is noticeable in his work.

Harmonised colours and mastery of brushing are hall-



# PRANGONEMOR'S BANGLADESH THEATRE FEST OPENS IN KOLKATA

inaugural event. Prangonemor staged their play "Ami O Rabindranath" on the opening day of the festival. The other plays by the troupe to be performed are: "Irishta", "Shesher Kobita", "Shyama Prem", "Bibad Sargam", "Aurangzeb" and "Condemned Cell".

Lined up for today and two special seminar at 11am, and two plays at 3pm and 7pm.

Prangonemor will also honour seven theatre aficionados and artists at the festival: Analesh Dasgupta, Selim Ur Rahman, Manotosh Kumar Saha, Soumitra Mitra, Samar Mitra, Goutam Haldar and Anjan Kanjail.

The troupe's director Ananta Hira said: "We believe that such cultural exchange can enrich theatre both in Bangladesh and West Bengal. To strengthen that exchange Prangonemor organises an annual theatre festival in Dhaka where five troupes from West Bengal will participate. This is just to bring the audiences closer to the theatre groups and their plays."



"Ami O Rabindranath" was the opening play of the festival.

# Deepika and Abhishek in Bhansali's next

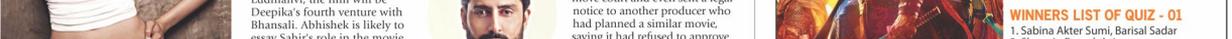
Deepika Padukone, who is gearing up for release of Sanjay Leela Bhansali's "Padmavati", has been roped in to play poet Amrita Pritam in the director's next venture and Abhishek Bachchan will star opposite her as Sahir Ludhiani, reports Hindustan Times.

Touted to be the love story of Pritam and lyricist Sahir Ludhiani, the film will be Deepika's fourth venture with Bhansali. Abhishek is likely to essay Sahir's role in the movie.

A Quint report quoted a source as saying "Abhishek has been preparing for his Sahir biopic. He will begin rigorous interaction with Sanjay Bhansali after 'Padmavati' releases. But his groundwork on Sahir has begun in right earnest. He is regularly listening to the immortal repertoire of Sahir's lyrics from Guru Dutt's

'Pyasa' to Yash Chopra's 'Trishul'." Bhansali was earlier in talks with Rishi Khatun for Sahir's role.

Meanwhile, the family of Amrita Pritam claimed that the producers of the upcoming movie have not secured any permission from them regarding the project as yet. Over two years ago, the family had threatened to move court and even sent a legal notice to another producer who had planned a similar movie, saying it had refused to approve the project even at the inception stage. The film's producer Ashi Dua and director Jasmeet Reen had then approached Irrfan Khan and Priyanka Chopra for the roles, but the movie has not seen the light of the day.



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