

WHAT'S ON

Dhaka Lit Fest

Producer: Jatrik

Venue: Bangla Academy

Date: Nov 16-18

Time: 9am-7pm

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Group Print Exhibition

Title: Nature Quest

Venue: Gallery Cosmos, H-115, L-6, New DOHS, Mohakhali

Date: Nov 10-23

Time: 11am-8pm

Solo Painting exhibition

Title: Memories Beyond Time

Artist: Syed Jahangir

Venue: Abinta Gallery of fine arts

Date: Nov 11-Dec 01

Time: 10am-8pm

Solo Art Exhibition

Title: Jungle of Humanity by Mahbub Zamil Shamim

Venue: Gallery-2, (2nd floor), National Art Gallery, BSA

Date: Nov 10-24

Time: 11am-8pm

Solo Painting Exhibition

Layers

Artist: Fahad Hasan Kazmee

Venue: Kala Kendra

Date: Oct 27-Nov 22

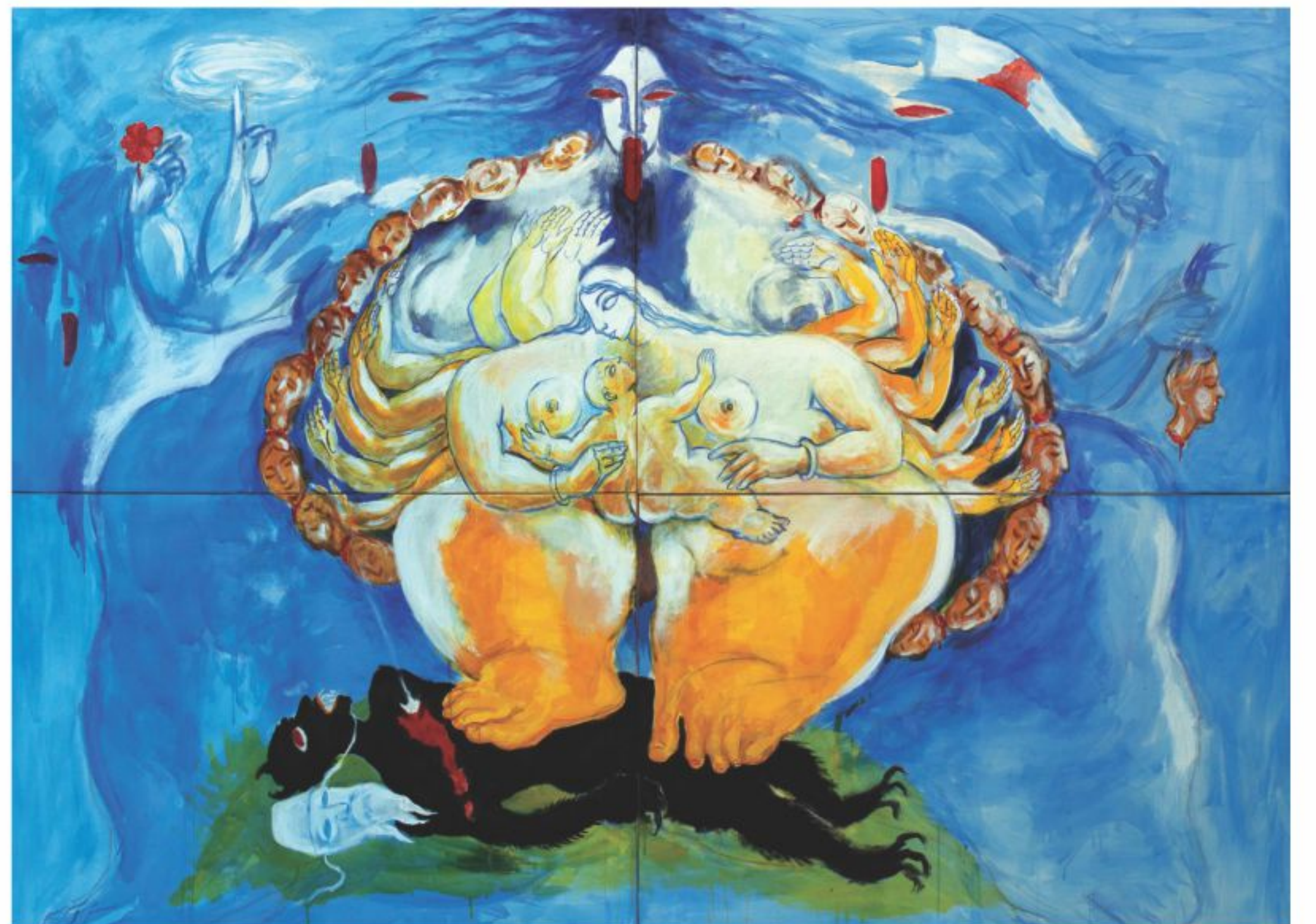
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# Mahbub Zamil Shamim's “Jungle of Humanity” at BSA

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Art gallery ARTcon in association with Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy (BSA) has arranged a two-week long solo art exhibition titled “Jungle of Humanity” by artist Mahbub Zamil Shamim at Gallery-2 of BSA's National Art Gallery. Eminent artist Mustafa Monwar, renowned architect Bashirul Haq, noted sculptor Hamiduzzaman Khan and artist Shishir Bhattacharjee, among others, inaugurated the exhibition as distinguished guests on November 10. Liaquat Ali Lucky, Director General of Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy, presided over the inaugural programme. The exhibition is open from 11am to 8 pm daily till November 24. One of the paintings titled “Jungle of Humanity” (acrylic) is a brave portrayal of the myth of Kali, depicting the goddess in her multiple forms, including the dangerous Kali, the determined Durga, and her maternal side. A contemporary treatment of forms and figures is associated with the composition, and taking the place of Lord Shiva beneath Kali's enormous feet is an ominous, demonic creature. Shamim's artistic efforts reflect the need to create a humane society, where evil is banished and good is nurtured. His sculptures are fine, simple and horizontal in style.

Mahbub Zamil Shamim was born in 1960, in Jessore. He spent his childhood as an apprentice to the legendary painter SM Sultan. During his time as a student, he successfully developed the style of “Beauty in Obesity”. At the exhibition Shamim has been displaying an array of artworks done on diverse media ranging from sculptures to paintings. The artist's paintings are large in size, depicting obese figures in several works. Regarding compositional style, the influence of SM Sultan's famous painting “The First Plantation” is noticeable in Shamim's works like “Boat Trip” (Dry Pastel and Pen on Paper) and



“You and I” (Charcoal on Paper).

Shamim completed his BFA and MFA from the Department of Sculpture, Institute of Fine Arts (Now Faculty of Fine Art), University of Dhaka. As an MFA student, he founded an art institute, Charupith, in Jessore with a vision to increase the practice and research of art in society, as well as to encourage everyone from across the country to open art schools for children. He is also credited with introducing the concept of “Mongol Shobhajatra” as a medium of celebrating the Bangla Noboborsho (Bengali New Year) using various traditional motifs and elevating the procession to a national festival. He

achieved his fellowship on “Innovative Social Entrepreneurship” from Ashoka Foundation, USA, in 1997-1999. The artist has held three solo exhibitions and participated in numerous national and international group art exhibitions, including the 55th Venice Biennale in Venice, Italy, in 2013. He has won the Gold Medal Award from Rotary International Bangladesh in 2011. His works have been collected by several national and international organisations and many private collectors both at home and abroad. Currently he is working as a freelance artist and is also the Principal at the Charupith-Art Research Institute, Jessore.

## NOVA in BTV's first megaseries

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

For many years, BTV was the only broadcaster in the country, the sole entertainment outlet for generations with its memorable programmes and dramas. The television network is about to break out of its own mold soon, by airing its first megaseries. Titled “The Generation”, the plot has been conceptualised by SM Harun-ur-Rashid, scripted by Masum Reza and directed by Alvee Ahmed. “The Generation” is to feature popular actress Nova as one of the protagonists. The play revolves around university students, capturing their ideals, way of life, and their aspirations. “I loved my character, and the overall narrative. But what excites me the



most is ‘The Generation’ is going to be BTV's first ever megaseries, and it is an honour to be a part of it,” stated Nova. The actress also added that while she has been featured in programmes and plays on BTV before, she has never been involved in a long-running drama series on the channel. Other ventures to include Nova are a play titled “Pagla Hawa”, directed by Asif Mahmud Ronny, and to be aired on Banglavisión. “The drama is about characters that slowly lose their mind over time. It's entertaining, and contains a wonderful message as well,” shared Nova. The actress will also be seen in “Baro Ghoror Ek Uthaan”, helmed by Rajibul Islam Rajib. The series, still awaiting release, will feature the actress in the role of a film extra. “This role is quite challenging, and compelling,” she stated. Nova is also slated to appear in the Aronno Anwar helmed comedy series titled “Bondhu Botey”. Her last completed venture is the much acclaimed “Brishti der Bari”, which recently aired its last episode. Aside from acting, the actress has been hosting “Shoundorjo Kotha” on Banglavisión for almost four years. She is also hosting the weekly musical programme titled “Malancha” on BTV.



## "FANTASTIC BEASTS 2" first cast photo, title revealed

Warner Bros. has unveiled the first photo and title for the “Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them” sequel: “Fantastic Beasts: The Crimes of Grindelwald.” The second film in the “Harry Potter” prequel franchise will be released on November 16, 2018. David Yates, who directed “Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them” and the final four “Potter” installments, is returning to helm the second film in the series from a script by “Harry Potter” creator J.K. Rowling. The spinoff franchise will consist of five films. Rowling, David Heyman, Steve Kloves, and Lionel Wigram are producing. The movie will see the return of stars Eddie Redmayne as magical zoologist Newt

Scamander, Katherine Waterston as Tina, Alison Sudol as Queenie, Dan Fogler as Jacob, Ezra Miller as Credence, Zoë Kravitz as Leta Lestrange, and Johnny Depp as dark wizard Gellert Grindelwald. Jude Law is portraying future Hogwarts headmaster Albus Dumbledore, who orders his former student Newt Scamander to capture Grindelwald. Filming began in July. “Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them,” set in the 1920s in New York City, was released last November and grossed \$814 million worldwide. Warner Bros. has not yet revealed when the third, fourth, and fifth films will be released.

Source: **Variety**



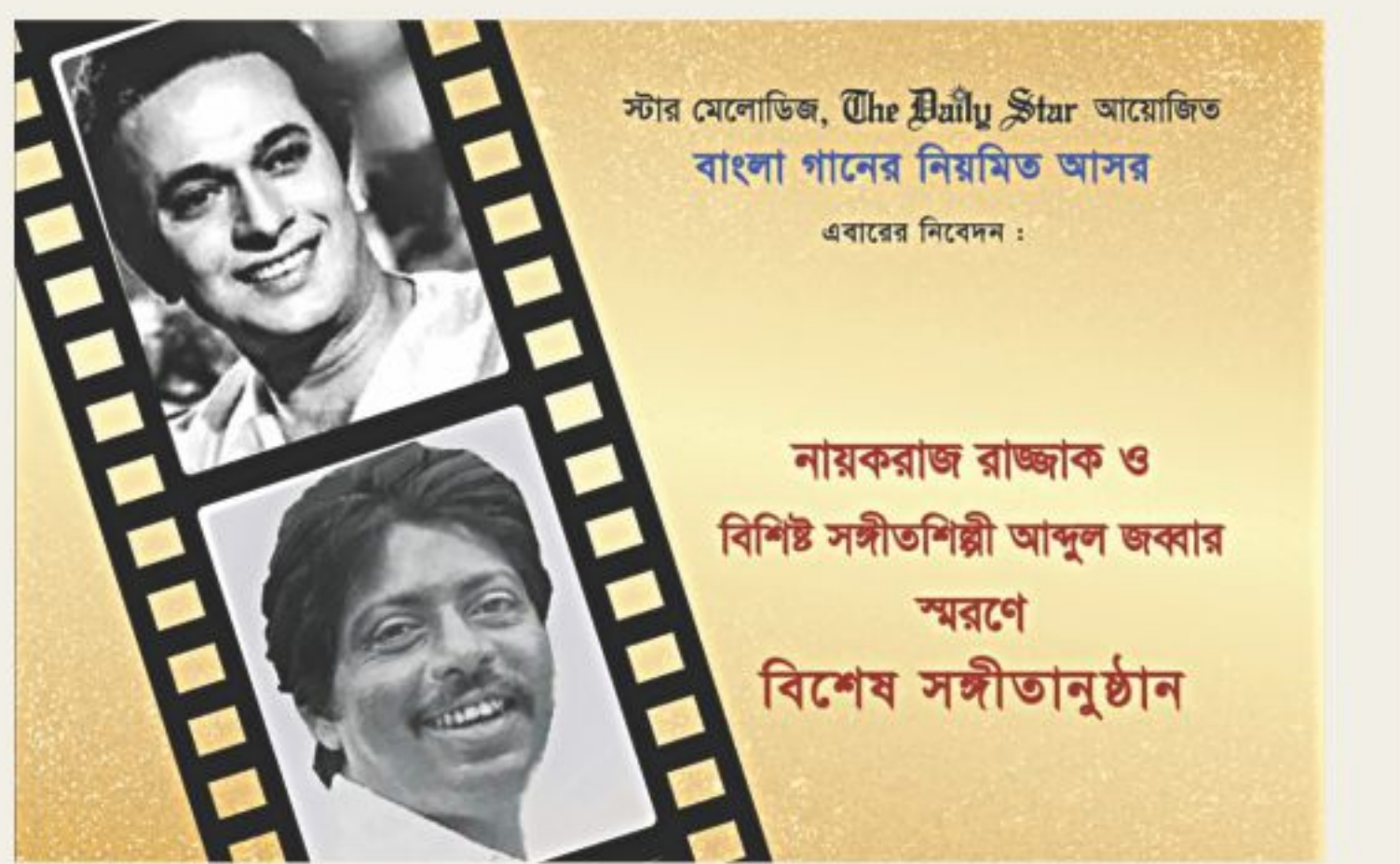
Noted instrumentalist Moniruzzaman (L) performs saxophone on the second day of the five-day launching programme of Bengal Boi, the book store by Bengal Foundation. The programmes are held in two sessions every day at the new premises in Lalmatia, and include book launches, musical soirees and poetry recitation.

## STAR MELODIES' MUSICAL SOIREE TODAY

### Tributes to NAYK RAJ RAZZAK and ABDUL JABBAR

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Star Melodies, The Daily Star's regular initiative to promote Bangla music, will present a special musical soiree highlighting songs sung by renowned singer Abdul Jabbar, as well as those lip-synched by Nayak Raj Razzak in his films – today at 6pm at The Daily Star-Bengal Arts Precinct, The Daily Star Centre. The programme will feature songs by promising artistes -- Raja Bashir, Alope Sen, Muhin Khan and Tanjina Karim Swaralipi. Sadya Afreen Mallick, Editor, Arts & Entertainment, The Daily Star, will comper the event. Mahbub-ur Rahman, Deputy CEO and Country Head of Commercial Banking, HSBC Bangladesh, are assisting in the planning of the event. Simantic Creative Concern is assisting in the programme arrangement. Invitation passes can be collected from The Daily Star Centre. Seating is provided on first-come-first-served basis, as seats are limited.



## TIGER SHROFF to kick-start shooting for “SOTY” sequel

Tiger Shroff, who is currently busy preparing for “Baaghi 2” opposite Disha Patani, will soon be marching towards Karan Johar's “Student of the Year 2”. Tiger recently divulged details about doing “SOTY 2”, which is slated to release next year. According to reports, the actor revealed that “SOTY 2” is the only film he has confirmed dates for as of now. He also added that the “Rambo” shoot will kick off towards the end of next year. Before that, he will commence shooting for his film with Hrithik Roshan. While “SOTY” was a love triangle set on a college campus, the second one allegedly won't have another leading man, making it a solo-hero film. Reports suggest that Disha and Chunky Panday's daughter Ananya Panday have been roped in to play the female leads in “Student of the Year 2”.

Source: **TOI**



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