

Solo Painting and Craft
Exhibition
Title: Beautiful Anger
Artist: Rubina Akhter
Venue: Gallery Twenty One
Date: Feb 7-23; Time: 12pm-8pm



### NEWS bytes

#### Schwarzenegger joins "Kung Fury"



boarded David Sandberg's
"Kung Fury", joining the
previously announced cast of
Michael Fassbender and
David Hasselhoff. David
Sandberg will also star and
produce the action-comedy
under his Laser Unicorns
production company.

Sandberg is adapting the upcoming feature-length movie as a sequel to his short film, which paid homage to 1980s martial arts and police films. It was selected to screen at the 2015 Cannes Directors Fortnight, and eventually gained a cult following.

The feature film will take place in 1985 in Miami after the death of a Thundercop causes the police force to disband.

Schwarzenegger has been the face of the "Terminator" franchise for years — the fifth installment was released in 2015. An untitled "Terminator" reboot is currently in preproduction. Schwarzenegger's other upcoming projects include fantasy film "The Legend of Conan", "Triplets" with Danny DeVito and Eddie Murphy, and "Viy 2: Journey to China" with Jackie Chan.

Source: Variety

# Belal and Puja release "O Poraner Pakhi Re"



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National Film Award-winning singer Belal Khan has joined forces with another popular young singer, Badhon Sarker Puja for a new music video. Releasing ahead of Valentine's Day, the song is called "O Poraner Pakhi Re".

The title is taken from a popular '90s song, but the song is written anew. The upbeat, peppy song has already crossed a mil-

lion views on YouTube.

When asked if there is a specific reason to have released a song targeting Valentine's Day, Belal told The Daily Star: "Any song released on a festive occasion does well. Valentine's Day has become a big celebration in the country now." Puja also agreed to her co-star, saying "If a song comes out on an occasion, it reaches a larger audience."

The song features Antu and

Toya as models, and was directed by Motiur Sumon.

"The song has been received well so far," Belal told The Daily Star. "It's a really rhythmic song, and that's why it's been a hit with young listeners," he added.

However, this is not the first collaboration between Belal and Puja. The first song they sang together was titled "Tomar Chhoya Te", following which they also came together for a song titled "Obujh Pakhi".



Members of the Obhinoy Shilpi Sangha, an association of television actors, celebrated Pahela Falgun together, coinciding the occasion with their annual general meeting held at the Trust Auditorium. The actors dressed up to the spirit of the season and made merry on the sidelines of the organizational activities.

## James Hetfield to make film debut in Ted Bundy movie

Heavy metal legend James Hetfield will make his big-screen acting debut in the upcoming Ted Bundy film "Extremely Wicked, Shocking Evil and Vile", starring Zac Efron as the infamous serial killer.

The Metallica front-man will portray
Officer Bob Hayward, "a no-nonsense Utah
highway patrol veteran who was the first law
enforcement officer to arrest Bundy in 1975
after pulling the killer over and discovering
burglary tools in his car but wisely suspecting

much worse," the film announced last week.

Hetfield has appeared in other films and television shows, including the Showtime series "Billions" in 2016. But his role in the Bundy film marks the first time the singer will portray a character.

Hetfield also has plenty of familiarity with "Extremely Wicked, Shocking Evil and Vile" director Joe Berlinger, who previously helmed the Metallica documentary "Some Kind of Monster" as well as the West Memphis Three documentary "Paradise Lost", which featured the

Monster" as well as the West Memphis Three documentary "Paradise Lost", which featured the heavy metal band's music.

"Having spent hundreds of hours behind the scenes with James and the rest of



Metallica, I have experienced his charisma and powerful presence close up," Berlinger said in a statement. "It seemed only natural that he would bring that same power and magnetism to a dramatic role, so when he agreed to my pitch that he be in the movie, I was thrilled."

"Extremely Wicked, Shocking Evil and

time girlfriend. Jim Parsons, John Malkovich, Angela Sarafyan and Haley Joel Osment also play supporting roles. The film is currently in production, and no

release date has been set.

Source: Hollywood Reporter



### The art of subtext

#### Bengal Arts Programme exhibit underway

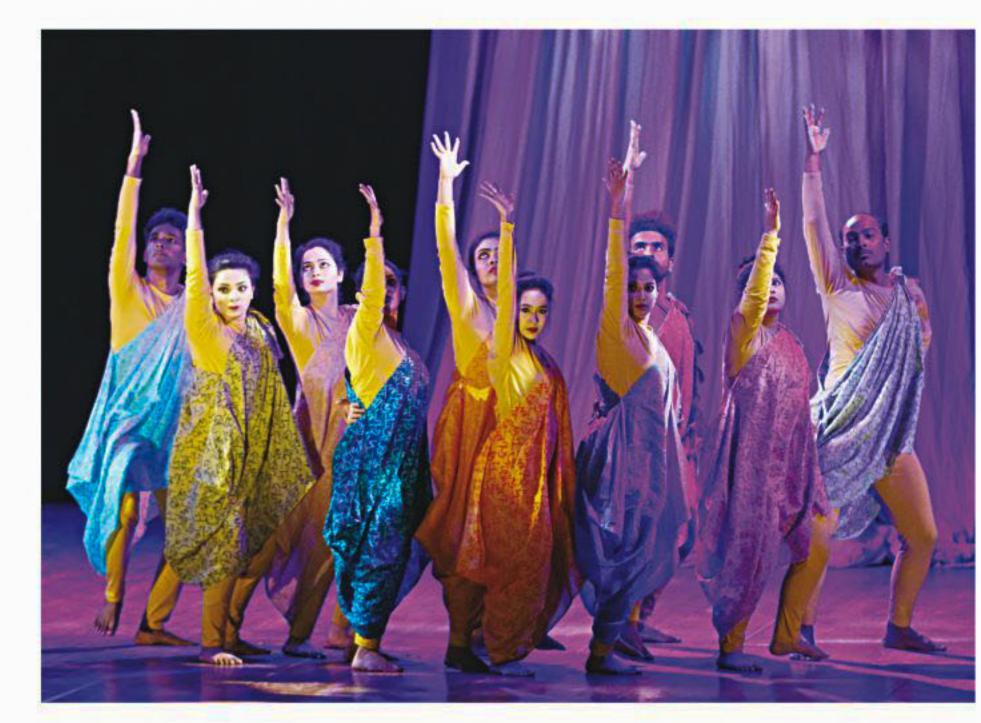
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Bengal Arts Programme's latest show "Subtext" - featuring art books, text-based art and a temporary reading room opened on February 4. The display of almost 150 books on art is the heart of the event while video, drawing and installation works by nine artists highlight the theme of perceiving texts as forms of art and beyond their meaning.

The participating artists are Abir Shome, Bishwajit Goswami, Emran Sohel, Marzia Farhana, Mustafa Zaman, Palash Bhattacharjee, Razib Datta, Wakilur Rahman and Zihan Karim. Books from across the world covering topics like history, biography, theories, manifestos and more that have been inspiring the artists for ages are on display at "Subtext".

Curator of the show Tanzim Wahab says, "Subtext is a culmination of texts, symbols and images to re-explore the relationship of text and image. A white cube is temporarily transformed into a reading room with an overlap between text-based art and art-based-text. It is an imaginary library formed for the artists and art audience to test the symbiosis of form and meaning."

The exhibit is open to all and will continue till February 24 from 11am to 7pm at Abdur Razzaq Bidyapeeth in Dhanmondi.



"Nikhoj Shobder Khoje", beverage brand Coca-Cola's initiative to find lost Bangla words included a theatrical production titled "Nikhoj Sangbad". The play, produced by Kotha O Kahini, was staged at the National Theatre Hall auditorium of the Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy on Thursday. Written by Syed Gousul Alam Shaon, Reza Arif and Adnan Adib Khan, the play was directed by Reza Arif with Tariq Anam Khan as advisory director.





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