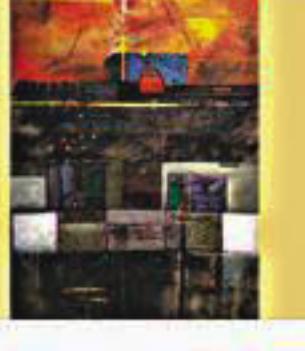


Francophonie 2018
Organizer: Alliance Française de Dhaka
Venue: AFD Dhamondi & Others
Date: Mar 19-24
Time: Various timings



Solo Art Exhibition
Abstraction of Collage Painting
Artist: Khurshid Alam Saleem
Venue: Gallery Twenty One
Date: Mar 18-27
Time: 12-8pm



Group Art Exhibition
Us Women
Organizer: EMK Center
Venue: EMK Center, Dhamondi
Date: Mar 8-22
Time: 9:30am-8pm
Date: March 8 - March 22, 2018
Time: 9:30 am - 8:00 pm



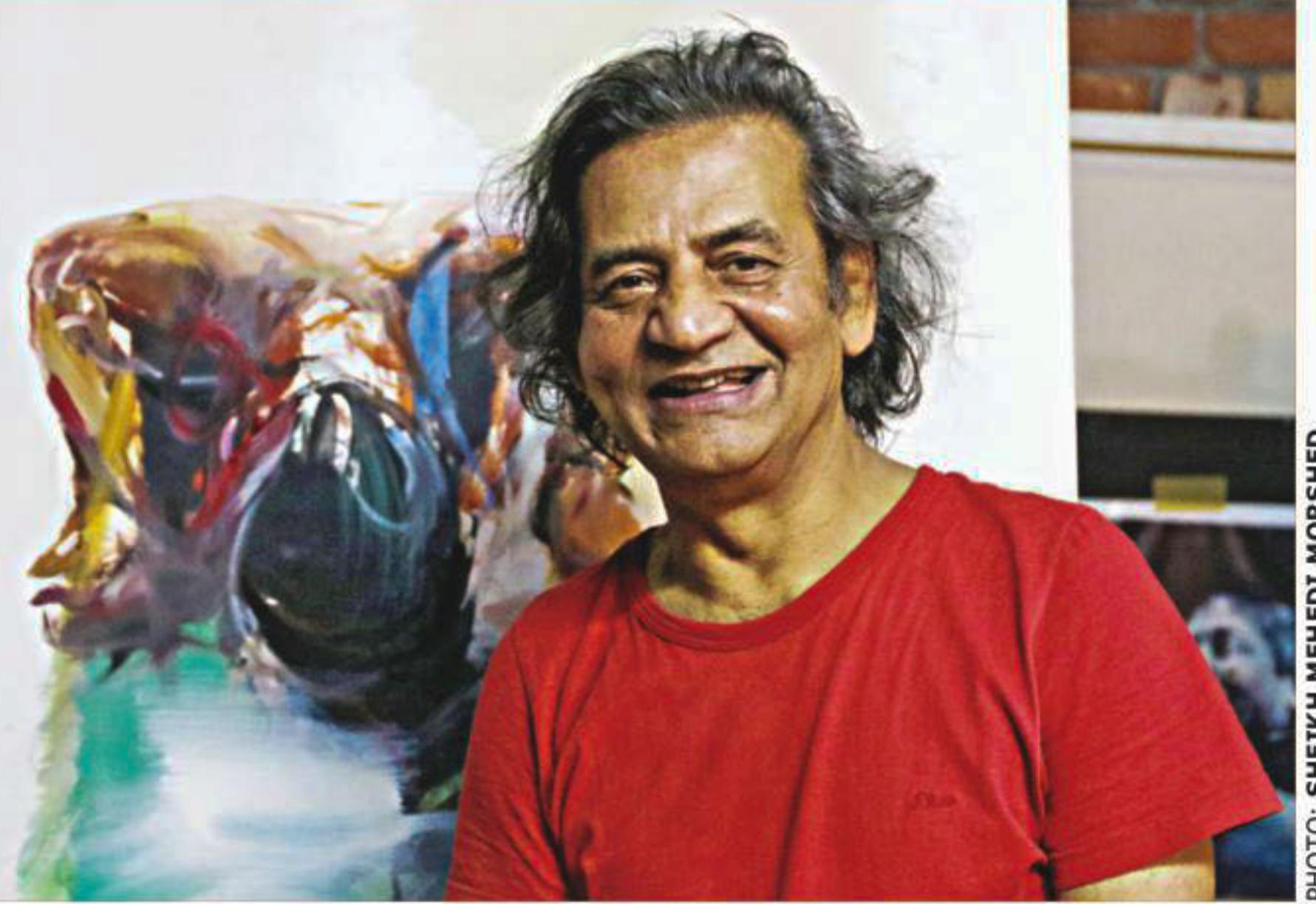
Solo Painting Exhibition
Title: Peace by Shahabuddin Ahmed
Venue: Gallery 2, National Art
Gallery, BSA
Date: Mar 19- Apr 18
Time: 11am-8pm



Solo Art Exhibition
Drawing & Thinking, Thinking &
Drawing
Artist: Dhalai Al Mamoon
Venue: Kala Kendra
Date: Mar 10-31; Time: 5-8pm



Shahabuddin Ahmed's solo exhibit opens today at BSA



A solo exhibition by internationally-acclaimed Bangladeshi artist Shahabuddin Ahmed, titled "Peace", opens today at Gallery No. 2 of National Art Gallery, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy (BSA). BSA and Ganges Art Gallery, Kolkata (India) in association with the Bangladesh Ministry of Cultural Affairs have organised the month-long exhibition.

The exhibition, featuring over 30 recent artworks by the maestro, will include portraits of the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, Rabindranath Tagore, Mahatma Gandhi together with works of Shahabuddin's famous series like "Freedom Fighter", "Birangona", "Speed", "Victory" and more.

"Peace" is open for all from 11am to 8pm daily (3pm to 8pm on Fridays). It was previously displayed at the Ganges Art Gallery, India.

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina is scheduled to inaugurate the exhibition as chief guest at National Theatre Hall auditorium of BSA at 4:30pm today. Liaquat Ali Lucky, director general of BSA, will deliver the welcome address while Smita Bajoria, director of Ganges Art Gallery, will speak at the opening programme.

A press conference was held in this regard at the seminar room of BSA where Shahabuddin Ahmed, Md Ibrahim Hossain

Khan, Liaquat Ali Lucky, Jahangir Hossain Chowdhury (secretary, BSA), Ashraful Alam Paplu, (director, Department of Fine Art, BSA) and Smita Bajoria were present.

The opening ceremony will include the launching of a book "Amar Mukti Juddha", written by Shahabuddin Ahmed, and screening parts of a documentary titled "Colour of Freedom", based on the life and works of the Shadhinata Padak-winning artist. Following the inaugural discussion and acrobatic show, the premier will inaugurate the exhibition.



Children paint on a 2,500 square foot stretch of canvas.

PHOTO: STAR

Bangabandhu Cultural Fest comes to a close

A CORRESPONDENT

The Bangabandhu Cultural Festival, organised by the Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy, came to a close on Friday amid much fanfare and enthusiasm. The 11-day festival, that featured a bevy of cultural activities, was held marking UNESCO's inclusion of Bangabandhu's historic March 7, 1971 speech as a 'Memory of the World International Register'.

The programmes on March 17 – which also marks Bangabandhu's 99th birth anniversary and is celebrated as national children's day – began at 10am and featured painting by over a thousand children on a 2500 square-foot canvas; drawing of Bangabandhu's portrait, clown show,

acrobatic display, group song and dance performances by students of various schools, and handing out of awards from various children's painting competitions. Lawmaker Simin Hossain Rimi, chair of the parliamentary standing committee on cultural affairs ministry, and BSA Director General Liaquat Ali Lucky handed out the prizes to winners.

An exhibition of the winning artists' works have also begun at BSA's Gallery 1 was also inaugurated, which will continue till March 26.

The day's programmes ended with a screening of children's film "Anki O Tar Bondhura" at the National Art Gallery auditorium.

BNM holds seminar on Pallikabi Jasimuddin



Speakers at the seminar.

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh National Museum (BNM) organised a seminar on the life and works of Pallikabi Jasimuddin at its Kabi Sofia Kamal auditorium recently. Professor Soumitra Sekhar of the Department of Bangla, University of Dhaka, presented the keynote at the seminar while the poet's son Khurshid Anwar Jasimuddin and noted poet Habibullah Siraj attended the seminar as discussants. Professor Emeritus Rafiqul Islam presided over the seminar.

Soumitra Sekhar elaborated on the life and works of Jasimuddin in his speech, while Khurshid Anwar Jasimuddin shed light on his father's early life.

"Jasimuddin was the first to write poems, plays and songs depicting the rural life and nature from the viewpoint of rural people. This had earned him the title 'Pallikabi' (the rural poet). The structure and content of his poetry bears a strong flavor of Bengal folklore," said Habibullah Siraj.

While he was a student of ninth grade, Jasimuddin's poem was published in Kallol. His first poetry book was 'Rakhali'. A total of 45 books of his were published in his lifetime. Visva Bharati University honoured him with the DLit in 1968. The poet received UNESCO Award in 1976, and was the recipient of the Ekushey Padak in the same year.

"His creation 'Nokshik KNatha' is considered a literary masterpiece and has been translated into many languages," said Professor Rafiqul Islam.



Three new films for TAMA MIRZA

SHAH ALAM SHAZU

National Film Award-winning actor Tama Mirza is known for her skills in dance as much as in acting. Despite being a busy film actor who has just signed on to play new roles, Tama has maintained a steady, active career in both fields over the years. In a recent interview with The Daily Star, she talks about her upbeat career.

What new films are you venturing into?

Tama: "Paap Kahini", directed by Shahriar Nazim Joy is currently in the works. The story is about a film within a film, and the narrative centres on two sisters. I play the role of the younger sibling, "Saratchandra Ekhon".

"Kaathgoraye" is another new film I will be working on, playing a young woman named Ochola.

How are you preparing for your new roles?

Tama: Right now I am focusing on being Ochola as shooting for "Paap Kahini" will begin later. It's quite a challenge for me, as Ochola is a character from such an immense literary figure. She is a controversial lady, known for her beauty and wit, who goes on to have an extramarital affair.

How busy are you with stage shows these days?

Tama: As I am also a dancer, I have to perform routinely in stage shows. I enjoy this greatly, as I get to see how people react, and it brings me closer to the audience. Are you currently shooting for any other film?

Tama: I have just completed shooting the first lot of "Ke", helmed by Alam Ashraf. You have also been recently featured in a new music video. When will it be released?

Tama: The song is about the rain, and so it will be released soon during the monsoon season. I have done music videos before, beginning my journey in a song by Imran.

How do you spend your free time?

Tama: I watch a movie or relax to some music, and if I've got time I enjoy traveling. But I'm passionate about films, and love watching movies most.

NEWS bytes

"Grudge" reboot ropes in John Cho

John Cho has joined Demian Bichir and Andrea Riseborough in Sony's "The Grudge" reimagining. Nicolas Pesce is directing the horror film from his own script. Sony Pictures Worldwide Acquisitions recently acquired worldwide rights to the film. SPWA, Ghost House, and Good Universe last collaborated on Fede Alvarez's thriller "Don't Breathe". The film will begin shooting in May.



The first film hit theaters in 2004 – a popular time for Japanese horror film remakes. The original adaptation starred Sarah Michelle Gellar and went on to earn \$187.3 million worldwide on a \$10 million budget.

Cho, best known for the "Harold & Kumar" franchise, will next star in Aneesh Chaganty's drama "Searching", which premiered in January at the Sundance Film Festival, earning the NEXT Audience Award.

Cho recently wrapped "The Oath", opposite Tiffany Haddish and Carrie Brownstein. He earned rave reviews last year for his lead performance in Kogonada's "Columbus" and starred on the Fox series "The Exorcist".

Source: Variety

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