

Art exhibition
 Title: Shoishob
 Venue: EMK Center
 Date: August 11
 Time: 9:30 am - 8 pm

Photography Event
 Title: Photo Day at Panam City
 Venue: Panam City
 Date: September 1
 Time: 7 am - 6 pm

Concert
 Title: 10 Years of the Armeen Musa Band
 Venue: Jatra Biroti
 Date: August 17
 Time: 7-10:30pm

Traditional Performance
 Title: Shaone Dala
 Venue: Tangail, Ghatal, Kalihati
 Date: August 17
 Time: 6am-6pm

Photography Exhibition
 Title: Birthday of Photography
 Venue: Gallery Twenty One
 Date: August 18-19
 Time: 10 am - 3pm



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ALVEE

with alacrity

SHAH ALAM SHAZU

Sheikh Samroz Azmi Alvee was the first runner up during the 2007 Lux Channel i Superstar pageant. Ever since then, she has made a name for herself in the world of showbiz, starring in a number of tele-fictions. The actor is now busy shooting for TV serials for the upcoming Eid. The Daily Star has a chat with her to find out more.

What was your breakthrough tele-fiction that brought you under the limelight?
 Potro Mitali was my first tele-fiction. Directed by Salauddin Lavlu, it garnered a lot of appreciation and recognition. Another soap opera that brought me success was Gulshan Avenue.

What do you have up your sleeves for the upcoming Eid?
 I have already completed shooting for a seven-episode Eid TV serial titled Bouer Doa Poribohon and another tele-fiction called Patro Nirbachon. A few other projects are also underway.

Can you enlighten the readers about your TV serials that are being aired currently?
 The prevalent TV serials running on different channels include Comedy Charsho Beesh, Noy Chhoy Chokka, Noy Chhoy Limited and Shukher Bhetor Oshuk.

Have you ever played a character after which people started to address you by that respective alias?
 Oh yes! There was a 1000 plus episode TV serial surrounding the village life by the name of Alashpur, where I depicted the role of Anaroshi. During that time, whenever I would travel around, people would often address me by Anaroshi. That is when I realised how popular the TV serial was.

Did you always aspire to be an actor or was it a sudden decision?
 I was involved with acting ever since my school days. As I am from Kushtia, I was a member of the local theatre troupe named Badhon. Back then, there was a time when we all came to Dhaka to stage a play.

KOKIL KONTHEY LALON

coming soon

Seeing renowned singers Sabina Yasmin and Rezwana Chowdhury Bannya together on television will be a treat to the audience. This Eid, Channel i is coming up with *Kokil Konthey Lalon*, a musical show hosted by Rezwana Chowdhury Bannya. It will feature Sabina Yasmin too. Sabina Yasmin, known for her contemporary and patriotic songs, will now mesmerise the audience with *Baul* songs. The singers are excited for the show. "I love *Lalon Sangeet*. With this show, I have tried to revive the magic of *Lalon* and I am grateful to Channel i for the opportunity," says Rezwana Chowdhury Bannya. Rezwana Chowdhury Bannya says Sabina Yasmin is an excellent addition to the show. Songs like *Khachar Bhor Ochin Pakhi*, *Amar Ghorokhanaye Ke Biraj Korey*, *Choron Chirena Re Chirena* and many more will be featured on the show, which will air on the first day of Eid at 5.40pm.

Source: Channel i



Madhupur commemorates World Indigenous Peoples' Day



The Garo artistes performing their traditional songs and dances at the cultural event.

MIRZA SHAKIL, from Tangail

A beautiful cultural programme was held at Corpus Christy High School at Jalchhara under Madhupur Upazila in Tangail on the occasion of World Indigenous Peoples' Day. The Garo artistes performed their traditional songs and dances at the cultural event with their traditional musical instruments. Nebul Daru, a cultural personality of Madhupur Garos, moderated everything. Lawmaker of Tangail-1 (Madhupur-Dhanbari) Constituency Dr Abdur Razaque attended the function and led a discussion as the chief guest. With Joyenshahi Adivasi Unnayan Parishad's President Eugene Nokrek as the chair, Ajoy-a-Mre, President of Tribal Welfare Association the Greater Mymensingh, was the main speaker at the discussion. The Garo leaders, in their speeches, demanded to establish a cultural academy in Madhupur for developing language and culture practices of the local indigenous people. Among others, Madhupur Upazila Parishad's Chairman Sarwar Alam Abu and Vice-Chairman Helal Uddin also played a huge part in the discus-

Hillary Clinton set to produce TV project about women's suffrage

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Following in the footsteps of the Obamas and her husband Bill Clinton, Hillary Clinton is now trying her hand at production. The former secretary of state has teamed up with Steven Spielberg to bring Elaine Weiss' critically acclaimed book, *The Woman's Hour: The Great Fight to Win the Vote*, to television. The book revolves around the women's suffrage movement. It will be Clinton's first time as an executive producer. Weiss' book, which was released in the spring, follows the remarkable activists who led the decades-long fight to grant women the right to vote and sheds light on how complex the battle to ratify the 19th Amendment really was.

Here's some good news for the fans of Preity Zinta. PZ, as she is fondly called, is all set to make her comeback in movies with 'Bhaiji Superhitt'. The poster shows the actor holding a revolver, which indicates she will be seen in a rowdy avatar. She shared the news on Twitter with a post. Soon after, her good friend Karan Johar welcomed her with a warm message, stating that he is pleased to see her "back with a bang." The film is scheduled to release in October.



Actors Ferdous and Purnima have teamed up once again after a long hiatus, ending the 'challenging times' of wait for many of their fans. They will share screen space in 'Gangchil', a film which is based on the novel of the same name written by Road Transport and Bridges Minister Obaidul Quader. Recently, the duo attended the contract signing ceremony for 'Gangchil' which was held at a hotel in Gulshan. The film will be directed by Noyeem Imtiaz Neyamul and jointly produced under the banner of Nuzhat Films and Icchemoto.

SM SULTAN'S birth anniversary observed

AZIBOR RAHMAN, from Jhenidah

The 95th birth anniversary of the legendary art maestro SM Sultan was observed yesterday in Narail. The Bengali avant-garde artist was born on this day in 1923. Artists, art lovers, officials from Narail district administration along with representatives from Sultan Foundation, Zilla Shilpakala Academy, SM Sultan-Bengal Charukala College and other organisations placed wreaths at the grave of the world famous artist. SM Sultan was the recipient of the 'Man of the Year' from Cambridge University, the 'Man of Achievement' from New York Biographical Center, the 'Man of Asia' from Asiaweek, along with numerous other honours and accolades.

