Solo Photography Exhibition Title: S.M. Sultan-The Cosmic Journey of a Fugitive Artist: Nasir Ali Mamun Venue: La Galerie, AFD



The 'Poet of Photography' pays homage to

SM SULTAN

Nasir Ali Mamun's solo show at AFD

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It is truly difficult to capture the apt mood of an down-to-earth, yet towering personality like Sheikh Mohammad Sultan in snaps. The unparalleled philosopher, a rare mystic and an internationally renowned artist was bohemian in nature and went through a myriad of eccentric activities in life.



Shahabuddin Ahmed admiring a portrait of S M Sultan.



Asaduzzaman Noor (C) with the esteemed guests and the featured photographer (2-R) during the book launch.

Over the span of a decade, Nasir Ali

PHOTO: AFD

Eminent portrait photographer Nasir Ali Mamun, popularly known as the 'Poet of Photography', did the almost impossible task of uncovering the avant-garde artist and created a distinct visual language by capturing 2000 photos of the art maestro. "I first met S M Sultan back in 1976," said Nasir Ali Mamun, "From then on, I visited him 20 times and stayed with him every time for around 10 days at his place at Machimdia village, Narail." The photographer followed the artist very closely, and captured diverse aspects of his personality in his snaps. Mamun's fifty-eighth solo photography

exhibition titled S M. Sultan- The Cosmic Journey of a Fugitive has begun at La Galerie, Alliance Française de Dhaka. Sponsored by Delvistaa Foundation, a book on the same title was also

launched at the event. The exhibition showcases 27 of Sultan's rare photographs by Mamun. In 2005, Nasir Ali Mamun had published a book titled Guru with 68 photographs of Sultan.

Minister of Cultural Affairs Asaduzzaman Noor graced the opening as chief guest, which took place on September 20. Marie-Annick Bourdin, Ambassador of France to Bangladesh, Mario Palma, Ambassador of Italy to Bangladesh, eminent artist Monirul Islam, architect and artist Mustapha Khalid Palash, renowned art critic Moinuddin Khaled and the newly appointed director of Alliance Française de Dhaka Olivier Dintinger attended the event as honourable guests. Internationally renowned artist Shahabuddin Ahmed, together with a number of important artists and enthusiasts attended the programme.

11am to 8pm until October 5.

The Baily Star

Mamun recorded the one-man journey of the 'fugitive' and bohemian painter S M Sultan. Mamun tried to hold close the artist's pathos, darkness and struggle as he went about recreating on giant canvasses, the essence of human spirit.

the exhibition is showcasing these historic and iconic photographs. Mamun tried to immortalise the inner spirit and philosophy of Sultan illuminating many hidden and obscure facets of the master painter's cosmic journey. The exhibition, which will go on from

Dedicated to Shilpacharya Zainul Abedin,

Mondays to Thursdays from 3pm to 9pm, and on Fridays and Saturdays from 9am to 12 noon and 5pm to 8pm, will remain open until October 5.

Exhibition of Selected Graphic Arts

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT DESK

...... One of the icons of Bangladesh's playback industry, Subir Nandi was awarded the Channel i Music Awards 2018 Lifetime Achievement Award on Friday, September 21. The marquee event celebrating the best in Bangladeshi music took place in Habiganj, the singer's birthplace. "I am elated to be honoured here in my hometown," said Subir Nandi after receiving the award, "this award belongs to everyone here in Habiganj." Channel i's managing director, Faridur Reza Sagar, Director and

Head of News, Shykh Seraj, Managing Director and CEO of Transcom Beverages Ltd, Khurshid Irfan Chowdhury, Chairman of Impress Group, Rashid Majumder along with music exponents Azad Rahman and Khurshid Alam presented the fabled singer with the award. The grand event, which was hosted by Farzana Brownia, saw performances by renowned artistes including Kiron Chandra Roy, Shimul Yousuf, Fahmida Nabi, Kona, Alif Alauddin, Elita, Mehreen and Konal. Channel i Music Awards 2018 was powered by 7up.

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THE AWARDEES **OF THE EVENT**

Rabindra Sangeet – Bithi Pandey

Nazrul Sangeet — Chhanda Chakraborty Folk - Sagor Baul **Lyricist** – Asif Iqbal Music Director - Autumnal Moon Music Video — Chandan Ray Chowdhury Cover Design – Masum Billah Sound Engineer – SI Shumon Adhunik — Shithi Saha and Chandan Sinha **Band** – Aranya **Debut** – Rumana Akter Eti Film track - Chirkutt

'GOLDEN VOICE' **AWARDEES**

Classical Music (Instrument) — Gazi

(For their outstanding contribution in music for the past 20 years)

Rabindra Sangeet – Rezwana **Choudhury Bannya**

Nazrul Sangeet – Ferdous Ara

Folk - Momotaz

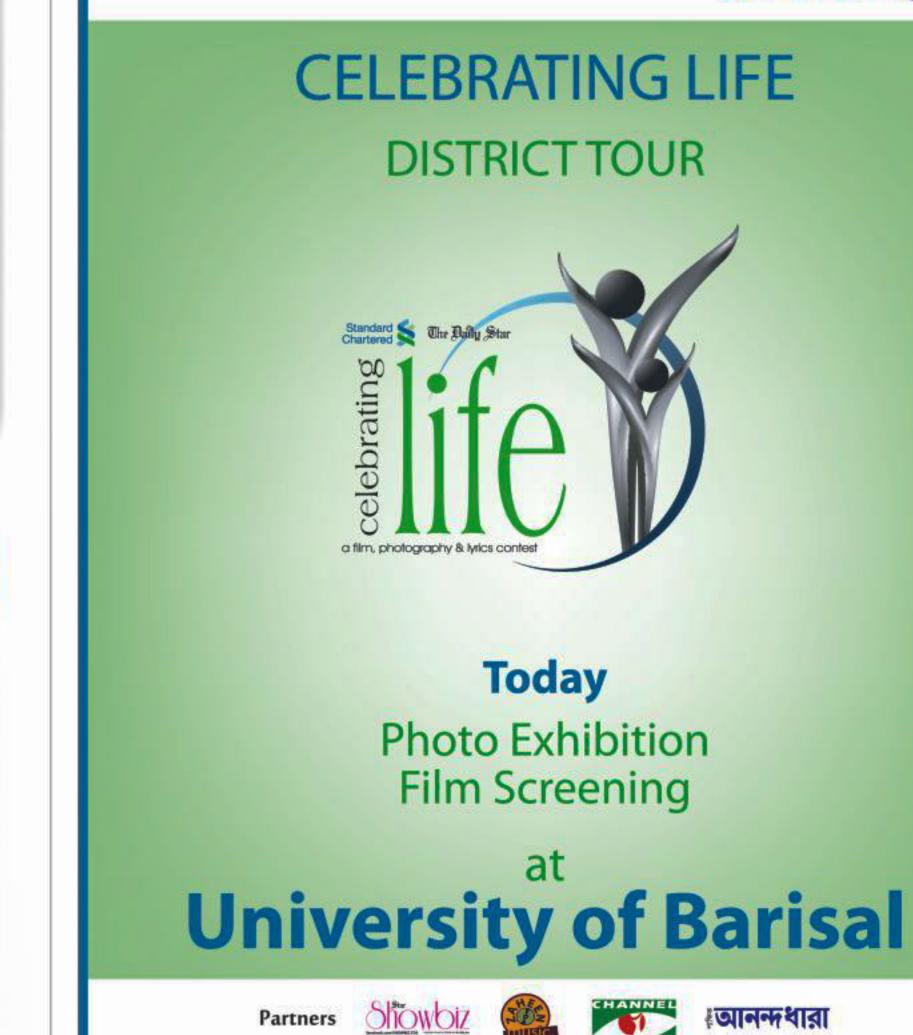
Abdul Hakim

Film – Samina Chowdhury

Adhunik – Kumar Bishwajit

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Golden Maker – Afzal Hossain



An exclusive group print exhibition, by 39 modern artists of Bangladesh and India has

commenced at Galleri Kaya, Uttara. The exhibition will remain open every day from

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After the musical romantic comedy Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again, the former James Bond -- Pierce Brosnan, has come up with an action film titled Final Score. The movie, starring Brosnan, alongside retired professional wrestler Dave Bautista and many others premiered at Star Cineplex on September 21,

The story revolves around an ex-soldier's attempt to prevent mass destruction when deadly terrorists attack a major sporting event attended by 35,000 people.