Star talk show Title: Starflixed: Untie the Knots of Debi Venue: British Council Bangladesh 📳 Date: October 5



Art Exhibition Title: State of Mind Venue: Kala Kendra, Mohammadpur Date: September 7 — October 3 Time: 4:30pm - 8:30pm Facebook Page: Kala Kendra

Live Performance Title: No Excuses - Indalo Revisits Venue: Russian Cultural Centre, Date: October 5



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



### 'SECRET OF HISTORY'

staged at BSA

AFSANA AZIZ NITOL

Bunon Theatre's production Secret of History showcases a painful chapter of Bangladesh's history. On Sunday, the 8th production of Secret of History was staged in the Experimental Hall of Bangladeshi Shilpakala Academy (BSA). The story is based on 1975's Jail Killing Day and the Sipahi-Janata Biplob.

Four national leaders were assassinated at Dhaka Central Jail on November 3, 1975. In the name of Sipahi-Janata Biplob, soldiers and freedom fighters were brutally mur-

dered in the same year.

The stories of these soldiers were depicted in the play. Their dead bodies were buried mercilessly and their families suffered. Written by Anan Zaman and directed by Shuddhoman Choiton, Secret of History also portrayed how power was misused by the leaders at the time. Minister of Information of Bangladesh, Hasanul Haq Inu, was the special guest of the evening. He was a witness of this dark time in history. He hopes that the next generation will know the true incidents through the play.





SHAH ALAM SHAZU

Having started her career with tele-fictions, Jyotika Jyoti has gone on to star in a number of notable films. For the first time in her career, the veteran actor will star in a film from the other side of the border.

Tell us about the film that you shot in Kolkata.

The film's name is Rajlaxmi o Srikanta. It is an adaptation of the famous novel by Sarat Chandra Chattopadhyay, and will be directed by Pabitra Bhattacharya. I am playing the character of Rajlaxmi. The shooting and dubbing of the film have ended, and I am waiting for the release of the film.

When will the film be released?

I am hoping that it will be released by November throughout West Bengal. We are also trying to release it in Bangladesh, as I am very hopeful that the audience will like it. How much did you enjoy shooting for the first time in Kolkata?

I was actually very scared at first. It reminded me of the time that I acted in a Bangladeshi tele-fiction for the first time at the beginning of my career, I couldn't sleep all night. The primary reason for my anxiety was the fact that the likes of Suchitra Sen and Shabana had previously portrayed Rajlaxmi, so I was under a lot of pressure.

Did the tension carry over to the shooting spot?

Thankfully, no. I prepared for the role of Rajlaxmi for more than a year, and I was diligent about it. Ritwick Chakraborty, who played Srikanta, is also a very talented actor. The entire crew made me feel at home, so I am grateful about that.

What are the other projects that you're busy with?

I have recently acted in Masud Pathik's Maya, which is currently in the dubbing phase. I am also doing some documentary films, and a short film as well. I am trying to concentrate on cinema at the moment.

## Ceramics exhibition concludes at FFA

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A beautiful exhibition of ceramics concluded on Saturday at Zainul Gallery -1 & 2, Faculty of Fine Art, University of Dhaka (DU). 80 artworks by 42 students of the Department of Ceramics were on display. Eight students were awarded for their best artworks on the inaugural day.

Professor Md Akhtaruzzaman, Vice-Chancellor of DU inaugurated the exhibition as chief guest with Chairman of the department, Associate Professor Devasish Paul in the chair.

The artists have experimented with different themes and mediums. Besides ceramic works, pen and pencil drawings depicting still life were also on display organised by the Ceramics

Department as its annual exhibition. Student Mabia Akhter received the Best Experimental Award for her mixed media

work titled 'Abalamban', while another stu-



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dent Sharmin Akhter Shimu bagged the Best Award in Clay Medium for her colourfully decorated and striking fruit bowl set. Mohammad Al-Amin won Mir Mostafa Memorial Award for his work, titled 'Narrow Mind', portraying a set of broken tea-pots.

Biplob Kumar Mandol won Shamsul Islami Nizami Memorial Award for his stunning pottery work titled 'Barrier Roof Pottery'. Abu Ibn Rafi won Gopesh Malakar Honourary Award for his work titled 'Studio Pottery' and Pritom Kumar

Singha won Maron Chand Paul Memorial Award for his ceramic sculpture, titled 'The Mother'. Anamika Das and M Solaiman won Koichi Takita Honourary Award and Abu Sayeed Talukder Memorial

Award, respectively. Sourav Das' work, titled 'Capitalism', depicted a symbolic effect of capitalism as it showed three vultures eating up the bones of a human being. Folk themed works along with the nuance of nature were prominently showcased at the exhibit.

CARE Bangladesh has arranged an exhibition titled 'What Real Changes Look Like', a photographic experience created by women only. The exhibition will be held today at Six Seasons Hotel, Gulshan 2, from 10am to 12pm. SOURCE: MINDSHARE

### PLAYLIST 'Obhijan'- Suhrid

SADI MOHAMMAD SHAHNEWAZ

Suhrid Swagata, a dynamic musician from Satkhira, Khulna, is set to release his first album, Paap today for Aajob Records. Meanwhile, the record label has uploaded some of the songs on YouTube, among which Obhijan was my personal favourite.

Arguably, the best part of Obhijan is the simplicity. The melodious acoustic set pieces string together the soothing melody. The lyrics conceived by Shuvashish Roy weaves a perfect balance between intricate and relatable. As a fan of the indie-pop genre that was prevalent during the 90's and the early 2000's, Obhijaan was sort of a throwback for me. Suhrid's voice and style is unique enough to differentiate itself from others, but at the same time fits in a comfortable place in the spectrum of pop musicians today. I would urge readers to buy the entire album and support promising artistes like Suhrid.





film is directed by Ispahani Arif Jahan.

# RJ Kareena!

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Kareena Kapoor seems to leave no stone unturned as a Bollywood diva — be it fashion, film, beauty; she has conquered all grounds, effortlessly. Now adding to her long list of achievements, she is all set to make her debut as a radio jockey.

As per reports in the Indian media, Kareena will be hosting her very own radio show on ISHQ FM which will go on air in December. While Karan Johar gives love and relationship advices on his popular radio show Calling Karan, on the same radio channel, it is yet to be revealed what the Veere Di Wedding star's radio show will be about.



