

WHAT'S ON



Award Winners' Art Exhibition
Organiser: FFA, DU
Venue: Zainul Gallery, FFA, DU
Date: Dec 23-29
Time: 11 am - 8 pm



Winter Festival
Title: Him Utsab
Venue: Jahangirnagar University
Date: January 17-January 19
Time: 10 am



Group Art Exhibition
Title: Winning With Art
Venue: Bay's Galleria, Gulshan 1
Date: Dec 1 - Dec 31
Time: 10 am - 6 pm



Photography Exhibition
Title: American Landscape - A
Photography Exhibition by Shibly Shiraj
Venue: EMK Center, Dhanmondi
Date: December 8 - December 20
Time: 10 am - 8 pm



Musical Evening
Title: Cha Chakra in Poush
Venue: Café Shanchayita, Banani
Date: December 22
Time: 5:30 pm - 9:30 pm
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REMEMBERING

Saidul Anam Tutul

SHAH ALAM SHAZU

The entire entertainment industry mourned the loss of beloved director Saidul Anam Tutul yesterday. Tributes poured in from celebrities from all over social media. The Daily Star talks to some of the artistes who were particularly affected by the loss.



PHOTO: COLLECTED



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NASIRUDDIN YOUSUFF
Saidul Anam Tutul was a childhood friend of mine, we grew up together in Dhaka. We participated in independence rallies together. We even went to the independence war together. When we established Dhaka Theatre in 1973, he was there with me. He acted in the very first play of Dhaka Theatre, *Sangbad Cartoon*. He also acted in the very popular *Muntasir Fantasy*. I have lost a friend



TARIQ ANAM KHAN
He was not just my paternal cousin, but my inspiration. When I was younger, I used to be in awe of his talent in both television and radio. I even went to Pune to study because he did so himself. I did not get to work in too many projects alongside him, but *Dokhiner Ghor* alongside him was an honour.



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CHANCHAL CHOWDHURY
At the beginning of the career, I did a lot of work under his direction. *Boral Parer Sheetlai Gau* was a very popular regular tele-fiction of that time. When I worked on that, I realised how much he loved and treasured his work. He had a profound respect for his work and all the artistes as well. He looked after their welfare, and even made sure that they got paid on time. I still can't believe



SHABREEN SHAKA MEEM
I can't explain how I am feeling right now, I am in total shock. From being a child artiste to becoming a lead actor, he was always there beside me. At that time, people worried about my transition between these roles, but he believed in me and cast me in many of his acclaimed projects. In *Rubaiyer Diary*, which is particularly memorable for me, I played Rubai and I can never forget the experience.

Wedding bells for

SABNAM FARIA

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Popular actor Sabnam Faria is all set to tie the knot with her fiancé, Harunur Rashid Opu, early next year. According to the actor, the wedding was set to take place two years ago, but had to be postponed due to the demise of both of their fathers. Now, the families have set February 1 as the day for the matrimonial ceremony. Prior to the wedding night, a mehendi night and a cultural programme have been scheduled for January 26. The *gaaye holud* will take place a night before the main ceremony. The couple asked their well wishers for prayers and blessings.




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Imagine Radio takes off

SADI MOHAMMAD SHAHNEWAZ

What differentiated Imagine Radio from all other music streaming applications when it launched recently was the earnestness and clarity that the CEO, Shahriar Shahid, promised to bring to the music listening experience. With the endorsement of the biggest names from the music industry, including Feedback, Nemesis, Indalo, Elita, Chirkutt, Bohemian among many others, and a myriad of fresh faces, the platform launched with a unique theme of 'Across the Universe'. "We will bring an integrated experience of both Bangladeshi and international songs, and make sure to pay due respect to the artistes involved," said Shahriar Shahid. He mentioned that the application is available in 52 countries, and promised to promote Bangladeshi music internationally. Throughout the event, Imagine Radio Chairman Raihan Shamsi, CEO Shahriar Shahid and COO Ahmed Rakib demonstrated the many features of the app. The platform donned an extra-terrestrial theme, as the crew mentioned that they believe music can take anyone to a higher plane of existence at any given time. It was further validated by snippets of various bands, including Nemesis and Chirkutt, performing on different planets in a video-promo shown during the ceremony. The most renowned artistes from the industry performed in a homely atmosphere eventually, which was arguably the most unique part of the launch. Bappa Mazumder, Labu Rahman, Elita Karim, DRockstar Shuvo among many others further lit up the festivities and had fun while doing so. As of now, more than 10 million songs are available for streaming through Imagine Radio, which is available on both Android and IOS.

Bangladesh National Film Award winner (Best Music Composer for the film 'Purno Doirgho Prem Kahini', 2013) and renowned musician Kaushik Hossain Taposh was recently seen in a music video featuring Bollywood sensation Sunny Leone alongside comedian Krushna Abhishek.

'LOVELY ACCIDENT' hits the screens!

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Titled *Lovely Accident*, the video was directed By Sunny Rajani and released on Zee Music Company's YouTube channel.

In the music video, Sunny Leone is seen donning a sparkling green attire while dominating the song with her mesmerising moves. Despite the limited screen time, Taposh is seen in various scenes throughout *Lovely Accident* grooving to the beat of his song. Taposh and Harjot Kaur have lent their voices for the project, while Vishnu Deva choreographed the dance moves.



Dalchhut performing at the event.

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CORRIGENDUM

In the article titled 'Arefin Shuvoo to star in *Mission Extreme*' published on December 18, Bangladesh Police SP Sunny Sanwar was wrongly referred to as the director of the upcoming film, *Mission Extreme*. Sunny Sanwar is in fact, the scriptwriter of the film. Fahim Faisal is the director of *Mission Extreme*. Corrections have already been made online. We regret the mistake and stand corrected.



PHOTO: COURTESY

Theatre troupe Mad Theatre recently honoured young cultural activists at the Studio Theatre Hall of Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy. Renowned filmmaker and activist Nasiruddin Yousuff was the chief guest of the programme, and handed over the certificates to the winners.