

WHAT'S ON	Photography Exhibition Title: Unsettled: A solo exhibition by Kazi Tahsin Agaz Apurbo Venue: Jatra Biroti, Banani Date: March 28 – April 10 Time: 7 pm – 10 pm	Film Screening Title: Nibash – The residence Venue: Jatra Biroti, Banani Date: March 30 Time: 7 pm – 9 pm	Dance Drama Title: Dance Drama MEERA Venue: National Theater, BSA Date: April 13 Time: 6 pm – 9 pm	Art Exhibition Title: Still—Life: an art exhibition by Moon Rahman Venue: Dwip Gallery, Lalmatia Date: March 23 – April 7 Time: 3 pm – 9 pm	Musical Ensemble Title: Shaded and Gaatch Venue: Jatra Biroti, Banani Date: March 29 Time: 7 pm Tickets: At the door for BDT 300 (BDT 200 with a valid student ID)
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Swapnadal stages 'Tringsha Shatabdi' on Independence Day

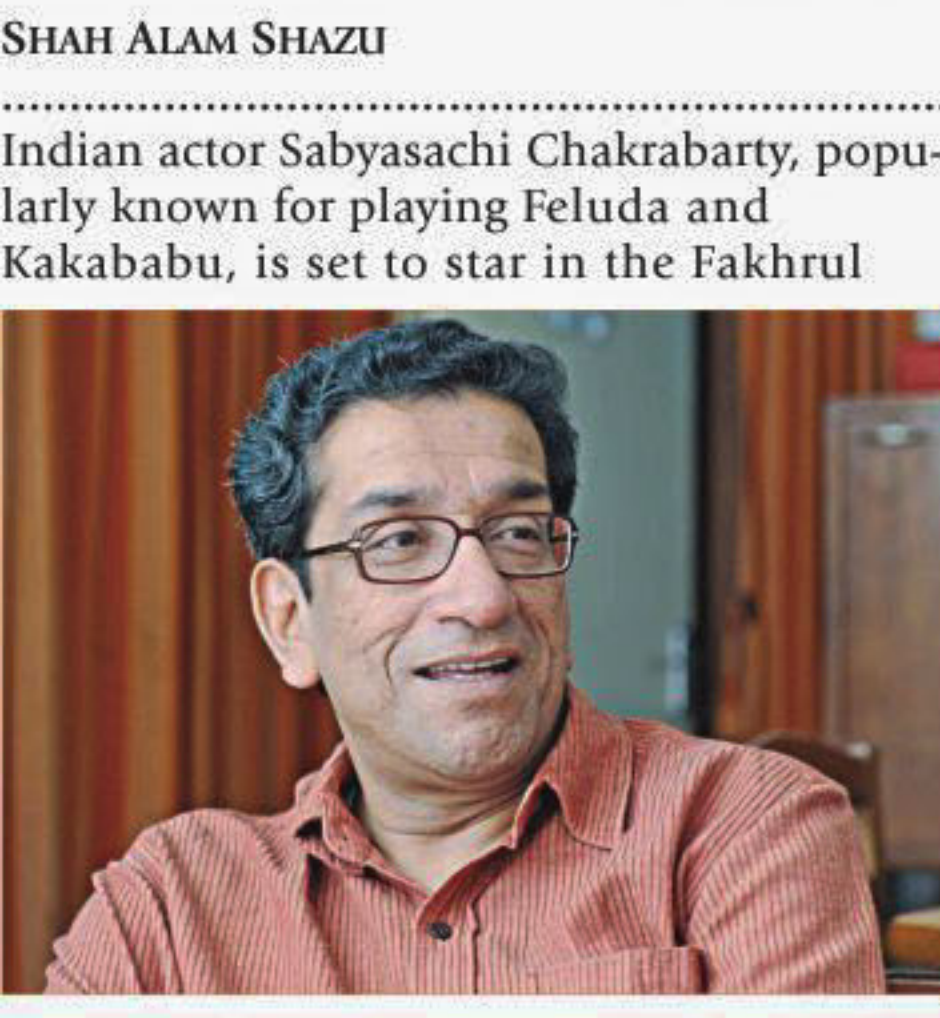
In the spirit of Independence Day, prominent theatre troupe Swapnadal staged their much acclaimed play, 'Tringsha Shatabdi' yesterday at Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy's Studio Theatre Hall.



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The anti-war production, directed by Zahid Repon and written by Badal Sircar, focuses on the genocides that occurred over different periods in the world. It portrays the ugliness that wars entail. Swapnadal premiered *Tringsha Shatabdi* in 2002, and staged the production across various international arenas since then. It was highly acclaimed for its anti-war messages along with its support for peace.

Suborna Mustafa and Sabyasachi Chakrabarty in Cox's Bazar to shoot 'Gondi'



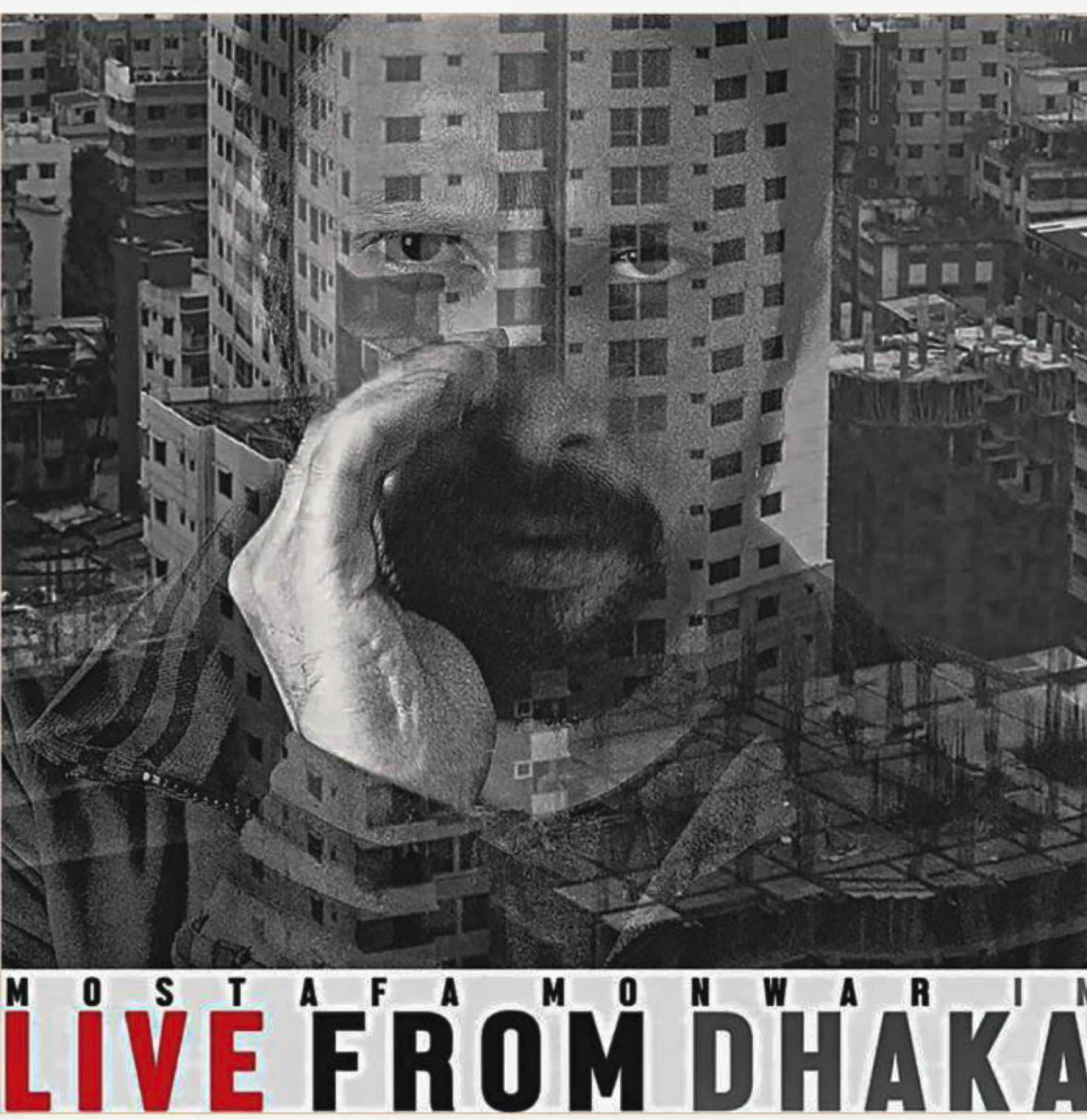
Sabyasachi Chakrabarty PHOTO: COLLECTED

Arefeen Khan directorial, *Gondi*, with Member of Parliament and popular actor from Bangladesh, Suborna Mustafa. They are currently in Cox's Bazar for the shoot. The story of *Gondi* revolves around an older couple and how the society responds to it. "I feel delighted to be here in Bangladesh," says Sabyasachi Chakrabarty, who will be playing the role of the male protagonist, Ali Asgar. Suborna Mustafa will play the role of Shamima opposite him in the film, which is also her first one after being elected as a member of the Parliament. *Gondi*, produced by Gorai Films, will also star Aparna Ghose, Amin Reza and Maznun Mizan among others. The cast will be in Cox's Bazar for four days. Many sequences of the film were also shot in London.



Suborna Mustafa PHOTO: SHEIKH MEHEDI MORSHED

LIVE FROM DHAKA to premiere at Star Cineplex on March 29



The poster of the film.

Rotterdam (IFFR) and the Singapore Film Festival (SGIFF), where it won the Best Actor and Best Director awards. The film tells the story of a differently-abled individual, who loses his grip on life in Dhaka, and eventually his grip on family, love and money. The film depicts the overambitious urban strata, where a segment of the society nurtures unrealistic dreams.

Director Abdullah Mohammad Saad's internationally acclaimed film, *Live From Dhaka*, will be shown at Star Cineplex from March 29 onwards. The film is a groundbreaking achievement for Bangladesh in the international arena, as it was the first to be screened at a main segment in the International Film Festival

CHARUKALA UTSHAB 2019 Gazipur begins today

The Charukala Utshab 2019 Gazipur begins today with an art camp to inspire a creative and humane generation through the practice of innovative arts. It is organised in association with The Daily Star.

A press conference was held yesterday in this regard at the Department of Graphic Design, Faculty of Fine Art, University of Dhaka, where convener Professor Mohammad Eunos, Curator Harun-ar-Rashid Tutul and one of the co-curators Zahangir Alom briefed about the arrangement of the festival to the journalists. The purpose of arranging the event is to create a healthy and beautiful Bangladesh for the present and forthcoming generations, from cities to the remote countryside of Bangladesh. It aims to inspire artists to indulge in art-making in a quiet place beyond the chaotic city life, and in a natural environment adorned with greenery. Many prominent and promising artists of the country are participating in the festival to be held at Bhawal Mirzapur Haji Jamir Uddin School and College, Gazipur.

The outcomes of the art camp will be showcased in an exhibition from March 30 to April 2. The festival also features two other exhibitions, several cultural programmes and a traditional folk art and craft fair. With the association and help from the participating artists, over two hundred students from various schools of Gazipur will also have the opportunity to create different works in the festival. Revolving around the arrangement, the festival hopes to turn a true artistic get-together for the participating artists of four generations, students and the local inhabitants.

The theme for this year's festival is 'Beautiful Environment, Artistic Life'. Several contemporary artists will independently create works on environmental concerns. Renowned artist Professor Mohammad Eunos is the convener of the festival while multi-award winning artist Harun-ar-Rashid Tutul, also an Assistant Professor at the Department of Graphic Design, Faculty of Fine Art, University of Dhaka, is the curator of the art festival. The festival is solely designed to practise arts, promote artists and to showcase Bangladesh's art, craft and cultural heritage on a grand scale.



Terracotta Creatives organised a public art exhibition titled, '8th Rongottor Art Exhibition' in Dhanmondi yesterday, marking our Independence Day. The exhibition consisted of photographs and paintings by various photographers and artists across the country. Rongottor is an initiative that aims to decentralise art from Dhaka as well as to take art events to the mass people in Bangladesh.

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