

WHAT'S ON

Workshop on Songwriting
Title: Artistic Arsenal
Facilitator: Labik Kamal Gaurab
Venue: EMK Center
Date: April 20
Time: 5 pm – 8 pm

Dance Drama
Title: Dance Drama MEERA
Venue: National Theatre, BSA
Date: April 13
Time: 6 pm – 9 pm

Dance Drama
Title: Mayar Khela
Venue: National Theatre Hall, BSA
Date: Today
Time: 6:30 pm
Tickets: BDT 200

Poetry and Music
Title: An Evening of Poetry and Music with The Verse-mongers and Friends
Venue: Jatra Biroti, Banani
Date: April 20
Time: 7 pm – 10 pm
Tickets: At the venue for BDT 300 (BDT

Art Exhibition
Title: The Work of Creation - Kazi Ghiyasuddin
Venue: Bengal Shilpalay, Dhanmondi
Date: April 5 – May 18

Theatre
Title: DraupadiParampara
Venue: National Theatre Hall, BSA
Date: April 23
Time: 7 pm



Mahfuz Ahmed



Jaya Ahsan



Yash Rohan



Sabila Nur

Stars share their plans for Pohela Boishakh

Pohela Boishakh bears testament to Bangladesh's history of diversity and inclusiveness, making it a celebration that truly unites the people of our country in cultural harmony. The day is celebrated by one and all, and stars of our showbiz world are no different. With Pohela Boishakh just around the corner, prominent artistes share their thoughts and memories of the day.

SHAH ALAM SHAZI

Shakib Khan: During my childhood, I really liked shopping from different fairs on Pohela Boishakh. It is a day that is greatly important to our culture. I will be spending the day in Dhaka, with my family. My mother will cook some delicious meals for the day, which I am very excited about. I also bought a new *panjabi*, especially for Pohela Boishakh.

Jaya Ahsan: I have a pretty busy schedule on Pohela Boishakh as I will be in Kolkata in the morning. However, I will return to Dhaka by the afternoon and will spend the rest of the day with my family. I am also looking forward to being a part of the Bangamata U-19 Women's International Gold Cup in the month of Boishakh this year.

Mahfuz Ahmed: I have fond memories of the fairs organised in my hometown during Pohela Boishakh. This year, I will be staying



Shakib Khan

in Dhaka on the day. I do not have any particular plans, but I will definitely be going to an event, where many artistes of our industry will be present. It is something that I look forward to every year. I like catching up with my colleagues and friends from the fraternity at this gathering.

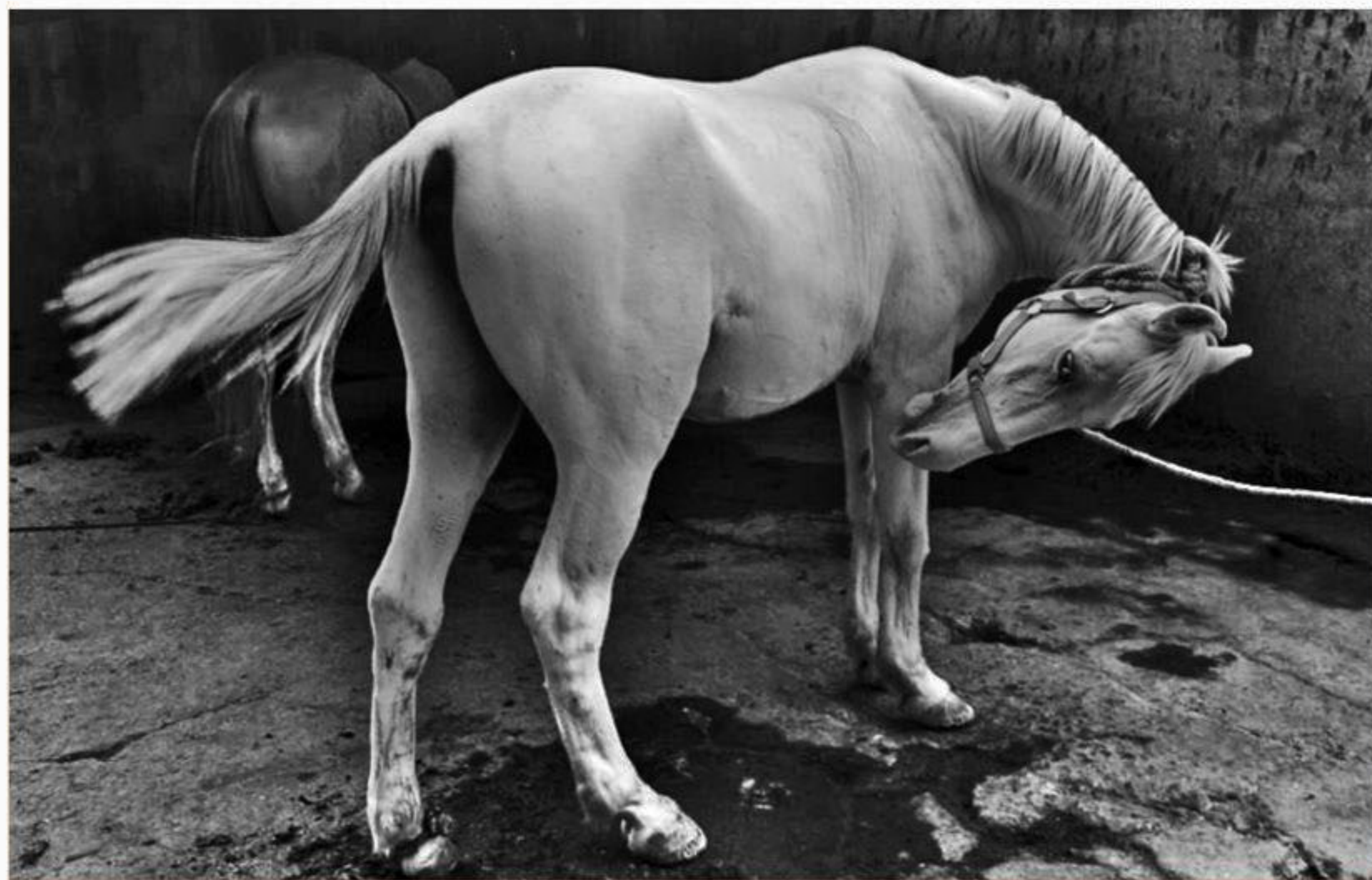
Yash Rohan: I have a tradition of having breakfast with my father at the Press Club on Pohela Boishakh every year. I will also go to Ramna Botomul. I have a few projects lined up for Pohela Boishakh. I have done two commercials, a musical film and I am currently in talks with director Anam Biswas for a web series.

Sabila Nur: I will be wearing a new saree and going out with my friends on Pohela Boishakh. I will also spend some time with my family. I will be starring in some Pohela Boishakh tele-fictions as well, which I hope my fans will enjoy. They are: *Love Admission*, *Trailer* and *Ekti Purono Diner Golpo*.

PHOTO: STAR

'Inland Stories' opens at Drik Gallery

A group exhibition titled 'Inland Stories' by the international photography students of Pathshala, opened yesterday at Drik Gallery in Panthapath. The exhibition features works by the 5th batch of foreign students. They produced these works during the international photography programme in Kathmandu, Nepal and Dhaka, Bangladesh.



Akash Ghai's work.

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Coming from different walks of life with a common interest in the medium of photography, the students met during the International Photography Semester of Pathshala South Asian Media Institute, to learn a new language and to tell stories through it. After six months of working together, they formed a collective, where they engaged in critical dialogues about their works.

Through this exhibition, they intend

to push their boundaries, explore unknown territories and find new stories. Each of them exhibited a visual portrayal and interpretation of a location through their works, be it an unfamiliar space, a land in transition, or a journey from one point to another. The exhibition was also an exercise for the students to present and communicate their works to the audience in different modes and give their works a physical dimension. The exhibition will run till April 15.



Sean Noronha's work.

Star Melodies to present 'Loko Gaaner Shurey Borshoboron'

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Star Melodies, an initiative of *The Daily Star* to promote Bangla music, will host a special musical programme, titled, 'Loko Gaaner Shurey Borshoboron', on April 20, welcoming the Bengali New Year. It will be held at The Daily Star Centre at 6 pm. Noted singer Abu Bakr Siddique,

along with his group, Banglar Dugdugi, will perform at the programme.

Sadya Afsan Mallick, Chief, Culture Initiatives, *The Daily Star*, will host the programme.

Invitation passes can be collected from The Daily Star Centre. Seats are limited and available on a first-come first-serve basis.

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'Hellboy' hits Star Cineplex

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'Hellboy', the 2019 American dark fantasy superhero film based on the Dark Horse Comics character of the same name, releases at Star Cineplex today.

The film is directed by Neil Marshall. It stars David Harbour in the title role, alongside Milla Jovovich, Ian McShane, Sasha Lane, Daniel Dae Kim, and Thomas Haden Church. It is a reboot of the *Hellboy* film series and the third live-action film in the franchise. The film draws inspiration from the comic books *Darkness Calls*, *The Wild Hunt*, and *The Storm and the Fury*.



Nakshikatha to perform in five concerts

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The promising Bangladeshi folk band, Nakshikatha is set to celebrate Pohela Boishakh with five concerts, starting from today.

Nakshikatha will perform fifteen songs in the show Banglar Gaan on Bangla TV at 11 pm today. Tomorrow, they will perform at the International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research, Bangladesh (ICDDR) premises at 2:30 pm. On April 14, they will perform at Manikganj Bijoy Mela, Officers Club and Niharika sports field at 10 am, 7 pm and 9 pm respectively.



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