

WHAT'S ON

Group Art Exhibition
Title: Jolokabbo 2
Venue: Edge Gallery, Gulshan-2
Date: September 18 – October 26
Time: 10am-8pm

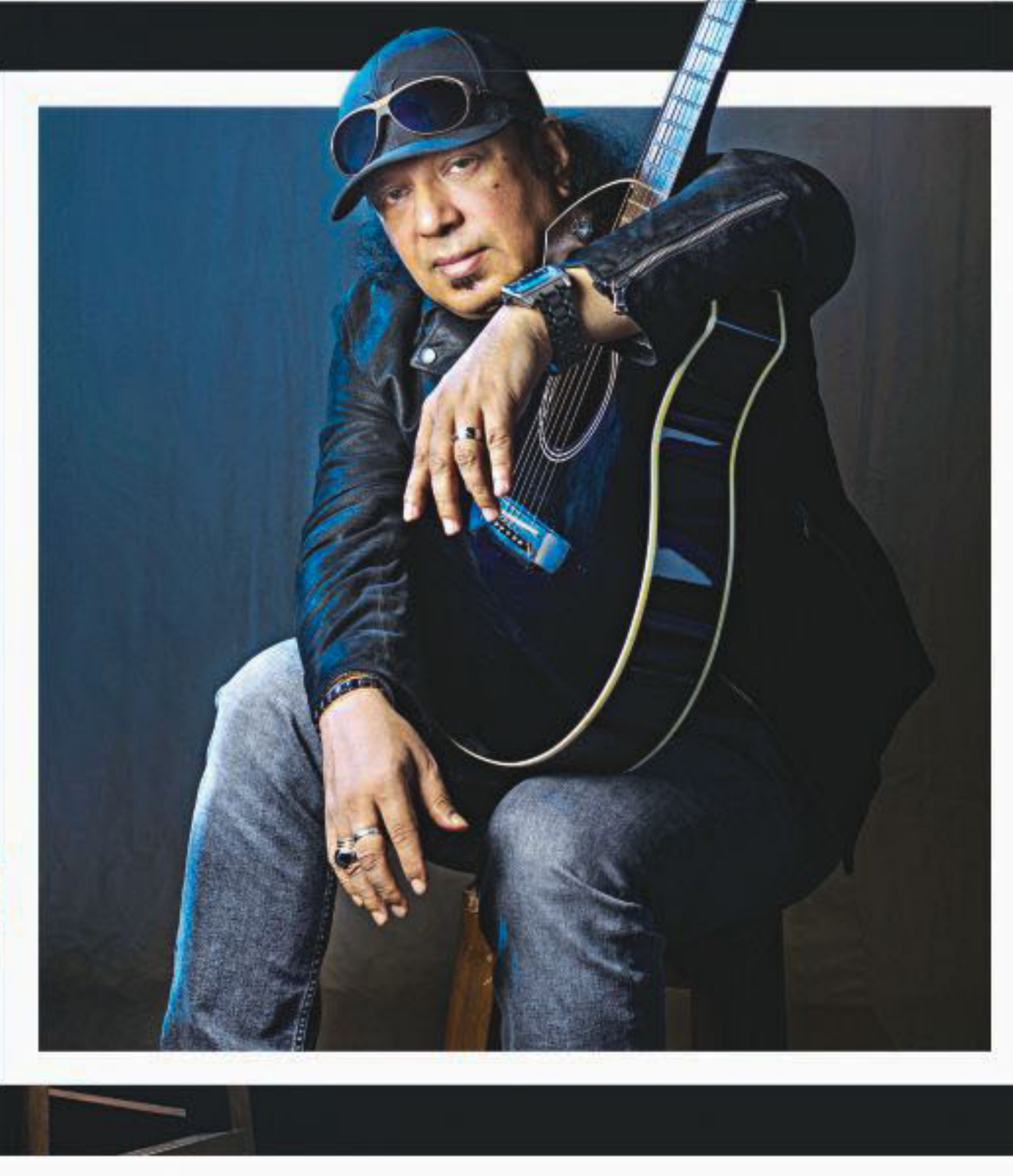
Art Exhibition
Title: Feeling the Void by Hamiduzzaman Khan
Venue: Dvip Gallery
Date: October 7-November 3
Time: 3 pm – 9 pm

Cultural Festival
Title: Ganga-Jamuna Cultural Festival
Venue: Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy
Date: October 11-October 20
Time: 7 pm

Exhibition
Title: Sheikh Hasina, Bangladesher Shophosharothi
Venue: National Art Plaza, BSA
Date: September 28 – October 26
Time: 11am – 8pm

Album Launch
Title: Kichu Kotha Kichu Gaan - Launch of Ghaashphoring Choir's Album
Date: October 19
Venue: Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy
Time: 5:30 pm onwards

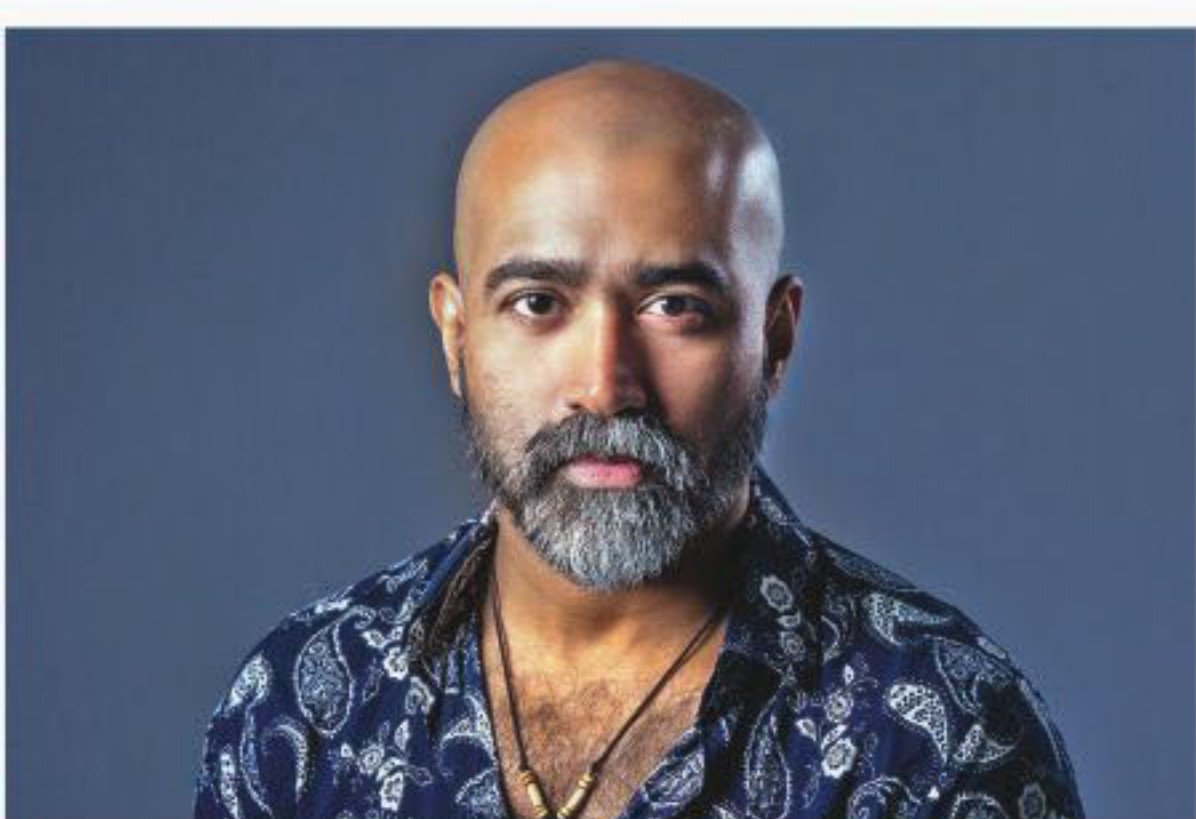
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In honour of the great **AYUB BACHCHU**

SADI MOHAMMAD SHAHNEWAZ

Today marks the first death anniversary of the greatest guitarist, showman and musician in Bangladesh's history, Ayub Bachchu. Born on August 16, 1962, the legendary musician was heavily influenced by the likes of Jimmy Hendrix and Santana. The self-taught artiste went on to forge a legendary career with bands such as Feelings, Souls, and his own LRB. Ayub Bachchu passed away on this day last year due to a cardiac arrest, shocking the entire country and millions of his fans worldwide. The Daily Star reached out to some of the most prominent band musicians today, who shared their feelings about the great AB.



JON KABIR
Sincerely speaking, I am in no position to talk about such a great artiste. His passion for his craft, dedication towards creating original music is still unmatched. I hear people say that band music is not as good anymore. This might partially be true because there are fewer people like him in the music industry, who do it from the heart.

ELITA KARIM
Ayub Bachchu has been a huge influence in my life, both as a musician and as a person. Throughout my career, he has always been a rock, encouraging me to move forward and showcase my work in front of the world. He would always ask me to improvise in my music. It has been a year that he has not been with us, but he still lives amongst us through his work.



DROCKSTAR SHUVO
We lost the greatest musician in our music industry last year. Ayub Bachchu was the mentor for every musician, regardless of his or her genre. He was like a father to me. I do not want to believe that he is no more. He is, has been and will be with every one of us, though his music, creations and philosophy.

SHARMIN SULTANA SUMI
Since his departure, it feels like the entire music industry has lost its soul. Even though his void is impossible to fill, we will forever be grateful for the music that he has given us. Rest in peace, great one.



IMRUL KARIM EMIL
Bachchu bhai was a fatherly figure for us. He always cared for people around him. The best part about him was that he was very approachable and down to earth. We miss him a lot.

ZOHAD REZA CHOWDHURY
Not only were his tunes absolutely timeless, he was a virtuoso on the guitar as well. Bangladeshi people from all walks of life, irrespective of class and musical preference, know and love AB.



ASHRAFUZZAMAN YOUSUFI
AB's stubborn focus towards guitar-centric song writing over keyboard dominance in his era, brought a change in the overall Bangla Rock sound. When I was younger, watching his interviews exposed me to names like Pink Floyd, Joe Satriani, Santana and Jimi Hendrix. I hope that the remaining members of LRB, including Tutul bhai, would reunite and keep the legacy alive.



Si Tutul



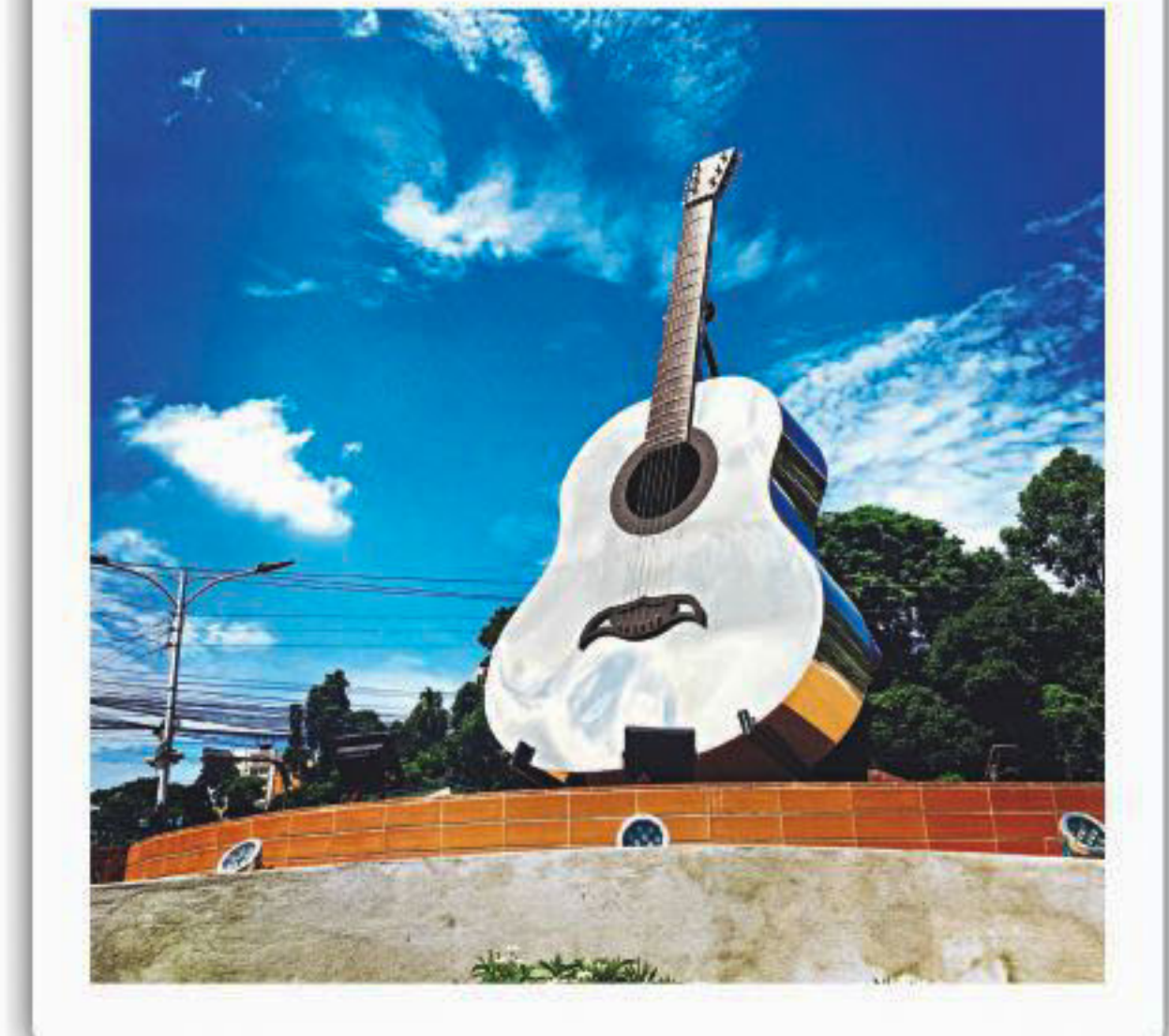
'Shei Tumi' on Desh TV



Hasib

The 'Rupali Guitar' that honours a rebel

Chattogram, the city that the legendary Ayub Bachchu was born and grew up in, recently honoured the artiste with a sculpture of his fabled 'Rupali Guitar'. Unveiled by the Chattogram City Corporation Mayor, A J M Nasir Uddin, the 18-foot tall sculpture signifies much more than a memoir. It is the ultimate victory of a rebel, who always swam against the tide to deliver a new kind of music. Always keen to experiment, improve and evolve, the virtuoso's recognition was the first of its kind for a rock musician in Bangladesh.



Television's tribute to Ayub Bachchu on his death anniversary

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT DESK
Ayub Bachchu was one of the juggernauts of band music in Bangladesh. On the occasion of his death anniversary, let us look at programmes that the top TV channels of the country have arranged in his honour.

The talk show, *Shei Tumi*, will be aired on Desh TV at 9:45 pm tonight. It is produced by Alamgir Hossain and conceptualised by Fuad Naser Babu. The show will feature prominent faces of the music industry, such as Bappa Mazumder, Manam Ahmed, Shahid Mahmud Jongi and Elita Karim. It will be

hosted by actor Afzal Hossain. Channel i will air a special programme titled, *Smritir Dohon*. Hosted by Tanvir Tarek, it is directed by Jamal Reza. The programme will feature Si Tutul, Saidul Hasan Swapan, Latifur Rahman Shibli and Bappi Khan, who will share their memories of the maestro. The

programme will be aired today at 4:40 pm. Another programme titled - *Ayub Bachchu Shorone*, will be aired at 12 noon today. Deepto TV will air a special episode of *Deepto Probbhati*, in honour of the musical legend. The episode will feature singer Hasib, and will air from 7 am today.