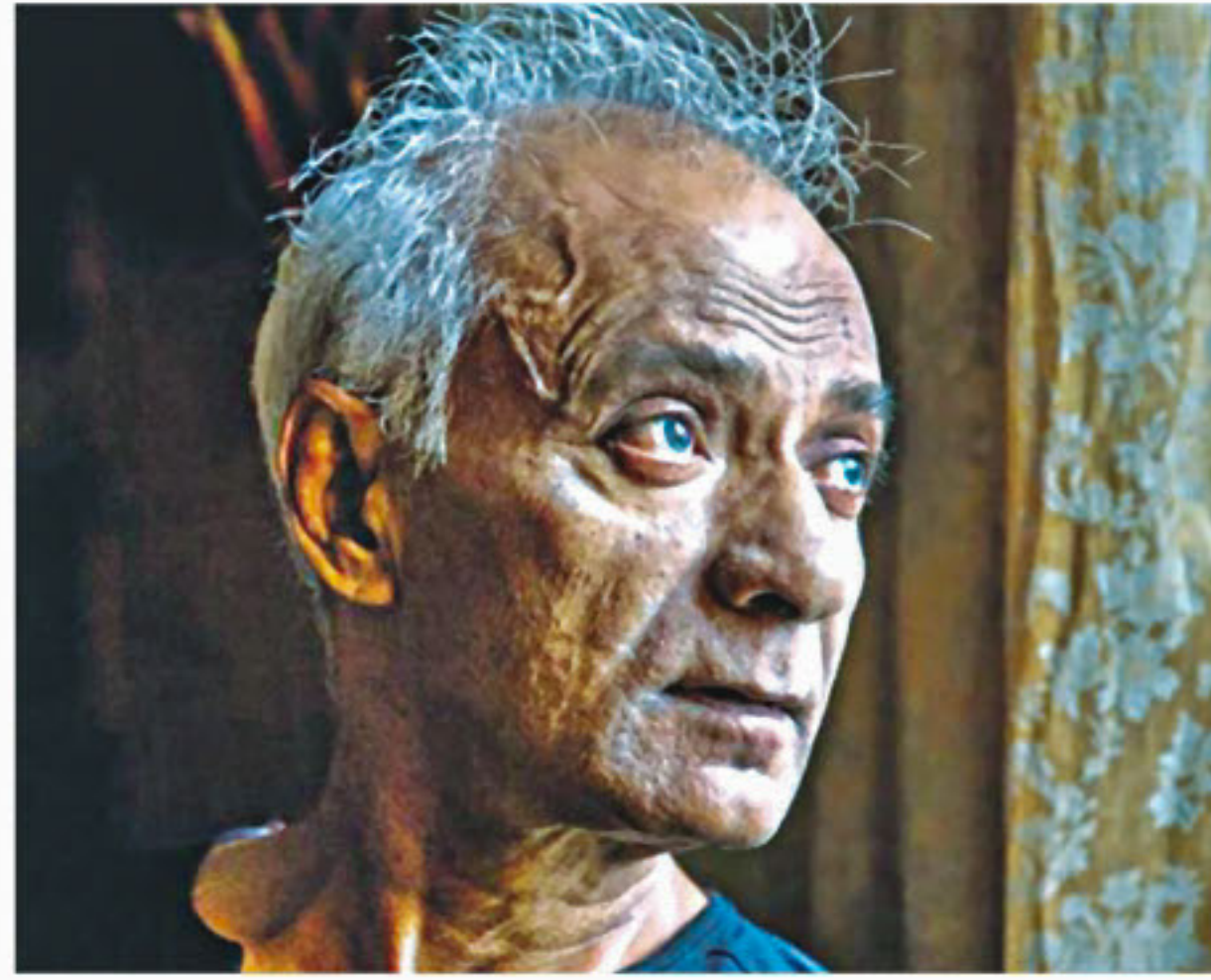


<p><b>WHAT'S ON</b></p> <p><b>Solo Art Exhibition</b>                  Title: Self Depiction                  Artist: Afrida Tanzim Mahi                  Venue: Kalakendra, Mohammadpur                  Date: October 21 - November 12                  Time: 4 pm - 8 pm</p>	<p><b>Art Exhibition</b>                  Title: Feeling the Void by Hamiduzzaman Khan                  Venue: Dwp Gallery                  Date: October 7-November 3                  Time: 3 pm - 9 pm</p>	<p><b>Group Art Exhibition</b>                  Title: Pracher Prachin Dhara / The Ancient Lineage of The East                  Venue: Gallery Cosmos, New DOHS, Mohakhali                  Date: October 25 - November 10                  Time: 12 noon - 8 pm</p>	<p><b>Book Carnival</b>                  Title: Worthy Unboxing                  Venue: Batighar                  Date: November 1                  Time: 11 am - 5 pm</p>	<p><b>Musical Evening</b>                  Title: Ghaashphoring Choir at Jatra Biroti                  Venue: Jatra Biroti                  Date: November 2                  Time: 7:30 pm - 10 pm</p>
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Asaduzzaman Noor



Syed Jamil Ahmed



Rafi Hossain



Sudip Chakroborthy

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# A SEASON OF BANGLA DRAMA

Four Bangladeshi personalities to feature

*A cultural festival, titled 'A Season of Bangla Drama' is being organised in London from November 1 to November 24, by London Borough of Tower Hamlets.*

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The joyous celebration of Bangladeshi theatre will feature four Bangladeshi personalities: Eminent actor, politician and activist Asaduzzaman Noor, renowned journalist and editor for The Daily Star's Showbiz and Anandadhara, Rafi Hossain, Doctoral researcher at Goldsmiths university, Sudip Chakroborthy, and legendary theatre personality, Syed Jamil Ahmed.

Leesa Gazi will focus on the former's journey through performing arts in Post-Independence Bangladesh, as it aims to portray the struggle that his generation faced in performing arts. The session will be moderated by writer, theatre practitioner, filmmaker and Joint Artist Director at Komola Collective, Leesa Gazi.

Rafi Hossain's Musings on November 6 will see the journalist and theatre activist talk about his journey, and his take on the changes in Bangladeshi theatre and its evolution from its roots, to the current era of

digitalisation.

The workshop, *Performing Bangladesh Theatre* on November 17 by Sudip Chakroborthy will attempt to explore the identity and society, seen by different generations of the British Bangladeshi community.

The maestro, Jamil Ahmed, has two sessions: a talk titled *A Personal Testimony in Confrontation* on November 20, and a Masterclass on November 24. The notion of *abhinaya* (acting) will be explored by this legendary personality with intensive international experience.

On November 2, Assaduzaman Noor in conversation with



## Arekta Rock Band's 'Eden' is a hit with the audience

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One of the surprises of 2019 is the emergence of Arekta Rock Band, a flamboyant act consisting of Riasat Azmi, Ifaz Abrar Reza, Arjo Biswas, Sakib Manzur Zihan and Raihan Mahub Rasha. After their first successful single, *Shikari Aj Shikar*, the band had recently released *Eden*, a song that crossed 20,000 views in about four days. According to the band, the song is about "A reality you want to embrace and never want to let go, like when Adam and Eve stepped into the doorway of heaven". The song is available on YouTube and other online streaming platforms.



Zayed Khan and Misha Shawdagor.

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## Oath-taking ceremony of Cholochitro Shilpi Samiti to be held today

**SHAH ALAM SHAZU**

*The newly elected members of the Cholochitro Shilpi Samiti will take their oaths today at Zahir Raihan Auditorium, Bangladesh Film Development Corporation (BFDC). This year marked the 15th edition of the Cholochitro Shilpi Samiti election.*

Election Commission Chief, Ilias Kanchan, will lead the ceremony.

Along with Misha Shawdagor (President) and Zayed Khan (General Secretary), many other newly elected members will also be swearing their oaths.

Misha Shawdagor says that he needs everyone to cooperate with his panel in order to work for the development of the association.

The Cholochitro Shilpi Samiti started in 1984. Misha and Zayed were re-elected as the President and General Secretary respectively, this year. They will be leading the association till 2021.

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## Bappi Lahiri collaborates with international singing stars

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*Bappi Lahiri recently completed 50 years in the music industry. He has recorded songs with international musical icons, Lady Gaga and Akon.*

He has collaborated with Lady Gaga on two duets. While Lady Gaga will be singing in English in the songs, Bappi Lahiri will be singing in Hindi, in his signature style. He also collaborated with Akon two months ago, according to reports. The songs are expected to come out by the end of this year.



Lady Gaga



Bappi Lahiri



Akon

## 'Rajarbagg-71' staged in Manikganj

**ZAHANGIR SHAH, from Manikganj**

*Rajarbagg-71* was staged at Manikganj Government High School's playground in Manikganj on Saturday.

Members of Bangladesh Police Natya Dal staged the play, written and directed by Mannan Hira and planned by Deputy Inspector General of Dhaka Range Police Habibur Rahman. The play revolves around the vital role of police

officers in the Liberation War of Bangladesh.

Superintendent of Manikganj District Police, Rifat Rahman Shamim, Chairman of District Council, advocate Golam Mohiuddin, Additional Superintendent of Police, Mohiuddin Ahmed Mukul, and Additional Superintendent of Police Manikganj Sadar Circle, Hafizur Rahman, were the guests.

Additional Superintendent of

Police (Headquarters) Hossain Mohammad Rayhan and Additional Superintendent of Police (Shivalaya Circle) Tania Akter, conducted the cultural function.

On the occasion of Community Policing Day, Manikganj District Community Policing Committee organised the programme.

Singer Oishee, local singers and members of the dance organisation, Shilprath, performed at the programme.



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<p><b>GOOD SHEPHERD INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL</b>                  Accredited to the Council of International Schools (CIS) and New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC)                  Ooty - 643 004, Tamilnadu, India.                  Phone : +91 423 2550371 (30 lines) Web : www.gsis.ac.in</p> <p><b>Admissions for July 2020 are open</b></p> <p>GSIS is a fully residential, co-educational school located at Ooty, Tamil Nadu, India, offering the best National and International curricula - ICSE / ISC / Cambridge Primary/ Cambridge Lower Secondary/ IGCSE / IBDP from Grade III to XII. The school offers a wide range of co-curricular activities like Mountaineering, Rifle Shooting, Horse Riding, Swimming (Heated Pool), Indian &amp; Western Music, The Sea Cadet Corps and The International Award for Young People. The school has a Student-Teacher ratio of 4:1.</p> <p><b>Academics</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IBDP (International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme) for the Grade XI and XII of the International Baccalaureate, Geneva, Switzerland.</li> <li>Cambridge Upper Secondary (IGCSE Grades IX &amp; X), Cambridge Lower Secondary (Grades VII &amp; VIII), Cambridge Primary (Grades III to VI) of the Cambridge Assessment International Education, UK.</li> <li>IGCSE (III to X) and ISC (XI &amp; XII) of the Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations, New Delhi.</li> <li>Preparation for SAT - I, SAT - II and IELTS for admission into universities in USA, UK, Australia, Singapore, Canada to name a few.</li> <li>Separate kitchens &amp; dining halls for Vegetarian / Jain food and Non-Vegetarian with Indian, Chinese, Continental and Thai cuisines.</li> </ul>	<p><b>GOOD SHEPHERD FINISHING SCHOOL</b>                  AFFILIATED to KIT, Coimbatore (An Autonomous Institution)                  Ooty - 643 004, Tamilnadu, India.                  Phone : +91-423 2550555 / +91-423 2550450 / +91 75985 50371                  Web : www.gsf.ac.in</p> <p><b>GIVE US A GIRL AND TAKE BACK A LADY!</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Good Shepherd Finishing School offers 9 months (commences on 16 July, 2020), 3 months (commences on 20 January, 2020) and 6 weeks (commences on 19 April, 2020) courses for girls to train them in social skills, life skills, deportment and style.</li> </ul> <p><b>The 9 months course includes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Business English Certification (BEC) from Cambridge University, UK</li> <li>DELTA A1-French Certification from Government of France (Alliance Francaise)</li> <li>Theory of Music from Trinity College London (TCL)</li> <li>The International Award for Young People (IAYP)</li> <li>Rotaract Membership</li> <li>Self Defence Training Certificate</li> </ul> <p><b>9 Months:</b> 16 July 2020  <b>3 Months:</b> 20 January 2020  <b>6 Weeks:</b> 19 April 2020</p>
<p><b>CONTACT: Resource Persons Mrs. Julie Pradeesh &amp; Mrs. Anila Ann Mathew (094422 66602)</b>                  will meet the prospective students / parents at  <b>Hotel Taj Bengal, 34B, Belvedere Road, Alipore, Kolkata, West Bengal - 700027. Ph: 033 6612 3939</b>  <b>(Admission Office 094426 46686 / 075985 50371 / +91 423 2550371)</b></p> <p><b>on</b>  <b>9 &amp; 10 November, 2019</b>  <b>From 10.00 am To 6.00 pm</b></p> <p><b>WE HAVE NO FRANCHISES / BRANCHES ANYWHERE</b></p>	