

## January 18 >> Chalina on stage

@ Lionel Wendt

**Enjoy** the rhythmic moves to the beat of drums and music. 'Chalina' - a dance extravaganza presented by Visha de Silva's dance school will take place on January 18 at the Lionel Wendt, 18, Guildford Crescent, Colombo 7. Visha Manohari De Silva, the creator, choreographer, educationist commenced pursuing her illustrious career in dancing at the age of 12 while a student of Visakha Vidyalaya, Colombo. Visha's students have travelled to many countries like Denmark, Thailand, India, Malaysia, Maldives, Japan, Switzerland, Korea and Hungary in the recent past. Her concert will have many different dancing performances including traditional dances as well as modern dances.

## January 21 >> Art exhibition

@ Lionel Wendt Gallery

**An art** exhibition will be held by Cyril Wickremasinghe to mark 50 years in his role as an art teacher and artist. The exhibition will take place from January 21 to 23 at the Lionel Wendt Gallery, 18, Guildford Crescent, Colombo 7 from 9 am to 6 pm. It will consist of expression drawings, scenes from Jataka Stories and copies from Temple Murals during the last five decades. Drawings covering the life of the Maldivians and some beautiful scenery from the Maldivian Islands, where the artist worked for about twenty years also can be seen in this exhibition. Wickremasinghe has used water colours, poster colours, powder colours and oils for his paintings.

## January 23 >> Kala Pola 2011

@ Ananda Coomaraswamy Mawatha

**Creative** works of art will adorn the sidewalks of the Ananda Coomaraswamy Mawatha, Colombo 07 on January 23 as *Kala Pola 2011* unfolds. Presented by George Keyt Foundation and sponsored by John Kooja will attract many art lovers. Artists and sculptors will find an opportunity to showcase their talents and interact with their artists. An art auction will be held as a new addition to this year's event. An art action will be the work will be sold to benefit the artists.

## Every Friday evening >> Feel Sri Lanka

@ Galle Face Hotel

**Feel** Sri Lanka - the weekly cultural extravaganza initiated by Sri Lanka Tourism to enable foreign visitors to witness authentic traditional Sri Lankan dance forms in Colombo will synergize with the Colombo City Tour, a unique venture by Sri Lanka Tourism and Ebert Silva Holidays this month onwards. Every Friday evening a sightseeing tour in the Colombo City will commence from Galle Face Hotel at 4 pm picking up guests from city hotels en-route.

The tour on the striking red open-deck double decker will take the tourists to most of Colombo with a live commentary on board by a professional guide and a brief stop at the Independence Square.

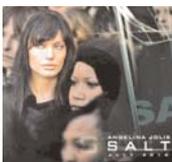
The Colombo City Tour will then arrive at the Hotel Square Auditorium 78, Galle Road, Colombo 3 (opposite Cinnamon Grand) in time for the *Feel Sri Lanka* show commencing at 5.30 pm. *Feel Sri Lanka* is a carefully designed program tailored to foreign and expatriate audience which is fast becoming a 'must see' program in tour itineraries in Colombo. This event will be an opportunity for visiting delegates/tourists and expatriates to experience the rich culture of the island nation.

It is a one hour, back to back show consisting of traditional dances of Sri Lanka with a few fusion acts based on traditional steps.



Tickets and more information on Colombo City Tour will be available at all city hotels and on hotlines  
 CR 0777 599 963  
 and CR 0777 772 595  
 Information on *Feel Sri Lanka* can be obtained from Sri Lanka Tourism  
 Kumudu 071 6860570  
 Nimanthi 071 987 2028  
 and Gayan 077 2544 117

## Big Screen



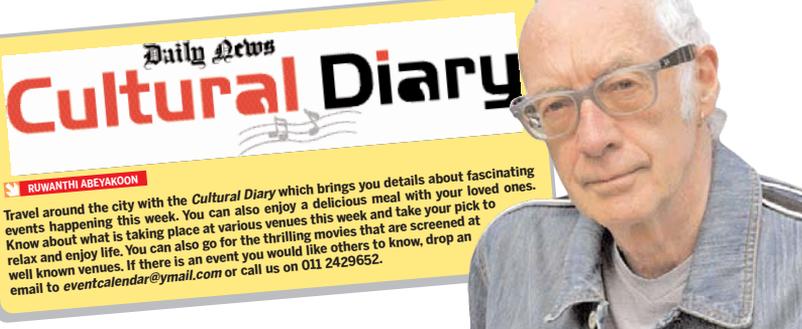
### Salt

*Salt* (2010) will be screened on January 18 at The American Centre, No 44, Galle Road, Colombo 03 at 6 p.m (Running Time: 100 min).  
 Angelina Jolie stars in Columbia Pictures' *Salt*, a contemporary espionage thriller. Before becoming a CIA officer, Evelyn Salt (Jolie) swears an oath to duty, honour, and country. She will prove loyal to these when a defector accuses her of being a Russian sleeper spy. Salt goes on the run, using all her skills and years of experience as a covert operative to elude capture, protect her husband, and stay one step ahead of her colleagues at the CIA.

## Ma vie est un enfer (French Movie)

*Ma vie est un enfer* by Josiane Balasko (2003) will be screened on Tuesday (January 18) at 3 pm and Wednesday (January 19) at 6.30 pm (Duration - 104min).

**Synopsis** - Leah is a dowdy spinster in her mid-thirties. She hates her job and dreams to be young and beautiful so that she can seduce the psychiatrist she visits frequently. The Devil's servant Abaddon offers her the body she craves in exchange for her soul. The movie is suitable for persons of 15 years and over and is subtitled in English.



## January 22 >>

@ British Council

## Meet Britain's best-loved poet Roger McGough



**Roger McGough** one of Britain's best-loved poets for both adults and children will be here in Sri Lanka. He is a well-known English performance poet. He presents the BBC Radio 4 program Poetry Please and records voice-overs for commercials, as well as performing his own poetry regularly. His latest poetry volume is *That Awkward Age* (Pen Guin) and, for children, *All The Best*, *The Bee's Knees* and now *Slapstick* (all Puffin). His Collected Poems, bringing together over forty years of McGough's poetry was published in 2003.

His autobiography *Said And Done* (Centaur) explores overnight fame with Lily The Pink, The Scaffold and Yellow Submarine which he helped write for the Beatles. He encounters Bob Dylan, John Lennon, Marlon Brando, Allen Ginsberg, Pete McCarthy and Salman Rushdie amongst others. His great personality will hold the event titled 'Roger McGough: A work in progress' on January 22 at 5.30 pm at the British Council Colombo. At the event Roger will read and perform a selection of new unpublished work, as well as some 'oldies'. It will be followed by a QandA session. The same event will be held at British Council Kandy on January 24 at 5.15 pm. Admission free! Roger McGough is one of the three British Council sponsored UK writers featured at the Galle Literary Festival this year.



## January 22 >> Concert of fusion music Pradeepjanjale

@ Lionel Wendt

**Pradeep** Ratnayake's second concert Pradeepjanjale will be held on January 22 at the Lionel Wendt, 18, Guildford Crescent, Colombo 7. It will be a concert of fusion music featuring many of Sri Lanka's leading artists including Ravbandu Vidyalipi, Ratnam Ratnadurai, Eshantha Pieris, Alston Joachim, Upala Madhusanka, Sumudu Suraweera, Chandralal Amarakone, Surekha Amarasinghe and Menaka de Fonseka choir. The event will be sponsored by HNB Assurance.

After a long absence from his homeland Pradeep Ratnayake is now ready to offer an unforgettable musical experience to all fans in Sri Lanka. The concert will be held to celebrate the homecoming of virtuoso sitarist after his Fulbright tenure at Columbia University, New York from 2008-2010. During his time as Fulbright student, Pradeep performed and worked with an array of New York musicians. Now all Sri Lankan music lovers will have a chance to hear the magical sounds of the sitar virtuoso. Pradeep who is not merely a performer but a composer and a music director will present you uncharted territories of sound at his concerts.

## Dine Out

### @ Mount Lavinia Hotel Australia Day

Visit Mount Lavinia Hotel on January 26 and 29 and enjoy a complete range of fabulous modern Australian recipes with Chef Asanka when he will be the main highlight on Slow Food Australian style and the Great Australian BBQ. Roasted Giblet and Eye Fillet with confit Asparagus-Wild mushroom and Cabernet jus or Confit Ocean trout with warm salad of sautéed potatoes/rocket and hazelnut and Chardonnay cream. Roasted King Prawns, seared scallops, salad of asparagus, micro herbs, confit tomato and spices, are just a few to mention that how he conjures up.

### @ South Beach Coals

Mount Lavinia Hotel will offer South Beach Coals at the Terrace 03 on January 23. With summer all year around, luscious tropical fruits takes the center stage when it comes to the creation of cool and innovative cocktails just like in South Beach Florida, Miami Beach, Pink Beach and Cuba Libre. Discover the excitement of a Bacardi White Rum, King Coconut, Monin Coco Syrup,

## Every Sunday & Saturday >> Never Ending

@ Artist Gallery

**Never Ending**, an art exhibition by S H Sarath will be held at the Artist Gallery at 18A Sarasavi Gardens, Nawala Road, Nugegoda every Saturday and Sunday from 10.30 am to 7 pm. On weekdays the paintings will be shown on prior appointment for anyone interested by calling 2854737.

## Feb. 01 >> Cory Wallia in Sri Lanka

@ Bishops College

**Renowned** Bollywood makeup artist and hairstylist Cory Wallia will be in Colombo to conduct a special workshop. The workshop will focus on grooming the skills of Sri Lankan make up artists and hairstylists for the National Awards 2011 to be held in February. Wallia will visit Sri Lanka on the invitation of SLA-HAB (Sri Lanka Association of Hairdressers and Beauticians). The workshop will kick off with 'look and learn seminar' at the Bishops College on January 31 from 10 am. Hands-on workshops for a limited number of participants will be held on February 1 and 2 from 9.30 am to 4 pm. Special focus will be on bridal makeup, its modern techniques, preserving makeup and much more. Deadline for registrations is on or before January 25. For more information contact ☎ Dilhani on 011 5631597.

## January 23 >> 'Cruising With Cole'

by Merry An Singers @ Lionel Wendt

**Cole** Porter is considered the single greatest songwriter to work in the American Theatre. His music was as intelligent as his lyrics and words and music are inseparably wedded to each other. This rich blend of music and song will be brought on stage by Merry An Singers directed by Mary Anne David as they present *Cruising With Cole* on January 23 at the Lionel Wendt, 18, Guildford Crescent, Colombo 7.



## This January @ Cinnamon Lakeside, Colombo

Tarts and Pies Galore Strawberry Tarts, Berry Almond Tarts, Linzer Tarts, Peanut and Maple Tarts, Mixed Fruit Tarts, Apple pies, Pumpkin and Ginger Pies and Lemon Meringue Pies will be available at Goggles throughout January.

**High Tea** Daily High Tea at the Lounge will include an extensive buffet of sweet and savory treats and a la minute waffles and crepes served with tea, coffee oriced coffee.

**Shake it up** You can try the new creative margaritas at the 7 Degrees North. Splendours of the Sea Select your choice of seafood from Oysters and crab to cuttlefish and even handallo and have it cooked in a preparation of your choice.

**Go Veggie every Poya Day** Truly veggie-friendly with a multiple and exceptional vegetarian offerings will start from January 19 and is only offered at lunch time. Vegetarians will be overwhelmed with the choices at the restaurant.

