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>> Children and youth drama festival at Lumbini



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All you stage drama lovers keep your days free to enjoy the vacation with the much awaited children and youth drama festival which will be organised by veteran stage drama directors, Parakrama Niriella, Somalatha Subasinghe, Yashodara Sarathchandra and Kusumsiri Liyanaarachchi staged on December 13, 14 and 15 at 3, 30 nm and 6,45 nm at

will be staged on December 13, 14 and 15 at 3.30 pm and 6.45 pm at the Havelock town Lumbini theater.

'Dangaya saha punchi andare' directed by Yashodara Sarathchandra

and Kusumsiri Liyanaarachchi will be staged on Tuesday (December 13), Parakrama Niriella's 'Horu awilla' and 'Dev lowa gamana' on Wednesday (December 14) and Somalatha Subasinghe's 'Hima Kumariya' (the popular snow white and the seven dwarfs) on Thursday (December 15) at 3.30 pm and 6.45 pm respectively.

Tickets available from Sarasavi Book shop at Nugegoda and Maharagama, Sadeepa Book shop at Borella and from the Lumbini theatre on the above show dates.

Paper Moon

Paper Moon (1973) will be screened on December 13 at 6 pm at the American Centre, No 44, Galle Road, Colombo 3. (Running Time: 102 minutes)

Perhaps the sweetest film ever made about bad parenting, Paper Moon follows Moses Pray, a thief and con artist, and Addie Loggins, the eight-year-old orphan who may or may not be his daughter, as they scan them way across America. Lying, cheating, stealing...and that is just the easy part. A classic comedy from Peter Bogdanovich.

Seating is limited and is first-come, first-served.



December >> 'Gabbara Minisa' (Pregnant Man) at the Peradeniya University

'Gabbara Minisa' (Pregnant Man), the latest comic stage drama of well versed film, television and stage drama actor Sriyantha Mendis will have its special show on December 12 at 7pm at the Sarachchandra outdoor stadium at the Peradeniya University theatre with a host of popular actors such as, Sriyantha Mendis, Kusum Renu, Sarath Kothalawela, Wasantha Vittachchi, Malkanthi Jayasinghe, Sujeewa Priyalal, Mihiri Priyangani along with many more artist performing in it.

Music by professional music director Anthony Surendra while popular Derana Dream Star Upeka Nirmani will brighten up the drama with her singing.

This drama will be chorographed by senior lecturer Ariyarathne Kaluaarachchi. Polished with Wasantha Vittachchi's make up and Nipuni Mendis's costume designs, stage lighting will be by Upali Weerasinghe.

'Gabbara Minisa' (Pregnant Man) is an adoption of Ajith Mendis from the book written by W.S. Wijesinghe. This drama will be presented and organised by Jude Srimal. Tickets are available at Namel Malani Punchi theatre.





This week's 'Cultural Diary' brings you details about several other facinating events happening in the city. Take your pick of stage plays, exhibitions or dance performance and add colour to your routine life. You can make merry and enjoy the adventures or sit back, relax and enjoy a movie of your choice. make a little space to kick into high gear amid the busy work schedules to enjoy the exciting events happening at venues around the city. If there is an event you would like others to know, drop an email to eventcalendar25@gmail.com (Please be mindful to send only the essential details).

Have a pleasant week.

Discussion on Peace Building in Sri Lanka

American Center in association with International Centre for Ethnic Studies (ICES), Colombo invite you to a discussion on Peace Building in Sri Lanka by Dr. Joyce Neu on Wednesday (December 14) at 4.30 pm at the ICES auditorium, 2, Kynsey Terrace, Colombo 8.

Joyce Neu is a conflict resolution specialist with expertise in conflict assessment,

Française de Kotte

Fête des étudiants de l' will be held on December 17 at Alliance Française de Kotte at 139, Jawatte Road, Colombo 5. The concert of GreMags&AlterEgos will be from 4 pm to 7 pm and the live performance by the French rock band 'French Connection' will be from 7 pm to 9 pm.

Brève traversée



The Brève traversée (2001) by Catherine Breillat will be screened on Tuesday, December 13 at 3 pm and Wednesday, Decemebr 14 at 6.30 pm at Alliance Française de Colombo, 11, Barnes Place, Colombo 7.

What starts as a chance meeting between a 30 year-old English woman Alice and a 16 year-old French boy quickly develops into much more on an overnight ferry ride. As the conversation progresses, it is clear that the two have virtually nothing in common other the sexual tension. When they finally act on their growing attraction, a surprise twist is thrown in & amp; that will leave you wondering who really seduced who...

The movie is most suitable for mature audience and is subtitled in English.

Le jaguar (Jaguar)

Le jaguar (Jaguar) - comédie (1996) by Francis Weber will be screened on December 16 at 6pm at the Alliance Française de Kotte, 139, Jawatte Road, Colombo 05.(Running Time:92minutes) A shaman from the South American rain forest visits France for a public relations campaign. In a hotel's elevator in Paris he meets a French good-for-nothing named Perrin with whom he grows a fascination. He follows Perrin to his flat and although Perrin is not very enthusiastic about so much interest in his person, he lets the shaman spend the night in his flat. After an official meeting on the next day being part of the PR campaign, the shaman suffers from a heart attack. Hardly being able to speak and laying in a hospital bed he demands to see Perrin. The latter is not very interested in meeting the shaman again. However it looks like it is too late for animosities as the shaman and Perrin seem to be tied mentally somehow since they've met in the elevator. Perrin then embarks in an extraordinary adventure he had never imagined possible.



