

Cultural

Diary

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This week's 'Cultural Diary' brings you details about several other fascinating 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.

'Star-Studded RAINBOW' at the Nelum Pokuna

The biggest, hottest concert to take place in Sri Lanka, 'Star-Studded RAINBOW' highlighting 30 fresh our very own singers, rappers and dancers who will be performing hip hop, pop, classical, jazz and many more at the Nelum Pokuna Mahinda Rajapaksa theatre tomorrow (March 13) for a chance to perform in Dubai. Tickets available at Nelum Pokuna, Head Masters Salon and Park Street Mews. For more information contact 0770626984 or 071 5848171

March 13

Renowned Sri Lankan designer Chrysanthie Fernandopulle makes a comeback to the local fashion with the launch of 'Catwalk Rag 2012'. After a 15 year break from the industry, the infamous 'Catwalk Rag' fashion show will make a comeback at the Oak Room in Cinnamon Grand hotel on March 14. The tenth edition will bring to the runway an exquisite selection of batik designs showcased through saris and dresses. The proceeds of the event will go towards the 'Touch Community Children's School' in Pooneryn. Chrysanthie an iconic figure in Sri Lankan fashion industry has had her work in the spotlight on numerous occasions. One of the main highlights in her career was the design of Rosy Senanayake's National Costume which won the award for National Costume in 1985, which was the same year Senanayake went on to be crowned Mrs. World. Other such milestones in her career include her recognition at the Zonta Club's Woman of Achievement Award in 1989; she also trains, grooms and dresses beauty queens taking part in Miss Sri Lanka for Miss Universe and Miss World.

This year's show will showcase a mix of saris and dresses in pure silk and lace that would flatter any

March 14



Ghazal recital at Ananda College

March 19

A ghazal recital by Dr. Kumud Diwan accompanied on tabla by Shri Harshad Kanetkar, harmonium by Shri Milind Kulkarni and sarangi by Shri Farooque Lateef will be held on Monday (March 19) at 6 pm at the Kularathne hall at the Ananda College, Colombo 10. The chief guest will be the governor, Western Province, Alhaj S. Alavi Mowlana. The function will be presided by high commissioner of India, Ashok K. Kantha. Invitees should be seated by 5.45 pm. For more information contact on 011 2684698 or 011 5734379 Nav Pratibha 2012 at Bishop's auditorium

Nav Pratibha 2012



March 14

The Indian Cultural Centre, Colombo is presenting its annual flagship event Nav Pratibha 2012, a presentation of a variety of musical and dance recitals at 6 pm on March 14 at Bishop's College Auditorium, No.11, Perahera Mawatha, Colombo 3. The chief guest for the event will be

the acting minister of Ministry of Eternal Affairs, Neomal Perera. The performances will be done by the students of Indian Cultural Centre, Colombo trained by eminent teachers and artistes of Sri Lanka. The students who trained under Moksha Samarasooriya will be presenting kathak dance and the students who learnt bhārata natyam under kalasuri Vasugy Jegatheeswaran and Subhashini Pathmanathan will be showcasing their talents in bhārata natyam. The vocal music in carnatic style will be rendered by the students of kalasuri Arunthathy Sri Renganathan and those who studied under Dr. Premadasa Mudunkotuwa will be singing music in hindustani style. A number of students who are being trained by Dr. Nirmala Kumari Rodrigo will be performing on sitar while the students of visharad Somasiri Illesinghe present their musical ability through violin in hindustani style. The presentation of percussion in tabla will be presented by the students who learnt tabla under S.W Randoowa. The performances in Nav Pratibha will be orchestrated as a variety programme in which every student of the centre could express his or her inherent talent in a creative manner. Invitees should be seated by 5.45 pm. For further details please contact the Indian Cultural Centre, No.16/2, Gregory's Road, Colombo 7. Telephone: 2684698 and e-mail: icrcolombo@gmail.com.

A recital of Western Classical Chamber Music

The Colombo Trio, featuring violinist Ananda Dabare, cellist Dushyanthi Perera and pianist Eshantha Peiris will perform a recital of western classical chamber music at the Lionel Wendt Theatre on Saturday (March 17) at 7pm.

March 17

SHANGO SHANGO SHANGO HO!' - ANOTHER TEMPEST at the Lionel Wendt

'SHANGO SHANGO SHANGO HO!' - ANOTHER TEMPEST, a dance drama performed by Arpeggio Creative Dance Academy, choreographed by Nilan Maligaspe and dramaturged by Asoka de Zoysa will be held at the Lionel Wendt memorial theatre on Friday, (March 16) at 7 pm.

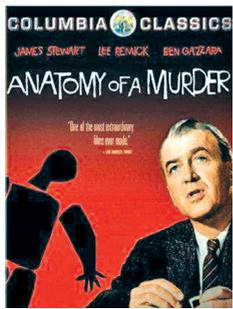
March 16

Anatomy of a Murder

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Anatomy of a Murder (1959) will be screened on March 13 at 6pm at the American Centre, No 44, Galle Road, Colombo 3. (Running Time: 160 minutes) Frederick Manion (Ben Gazzara), a lieutenant in the army, is arrested for the murder of a

bartender, Barney Quill. He claims, in his defense, that the victim had raped and beaten up his wife Laura (Lee Remick). Although Laura supports her husband's story, the police surgeon can find no evidence that she has been raped. Manion is defended by Paul Biegler (James Stewart), a rather humble small-town lawyer. During the course of interviews, Biegler discovers that Manion is violently possessive and jealous, and also that his wife has a rep-



Big screen

utation for giving her favours to other men. Biegler realizes that the prosecution will try to make the court believe that Laura was the lover of the bartender and than Manion killed him and beat her up when he discovered them together. Manion pleads 'not guilty' and Biegler, who knows that his case is weak, sets his assistants to try to find a witness who will save Manion. Seating is limited and is first-come, first-served.

March 13

À Tout de Suite

The movie, *À Tout de Suite* (2004) by Benoît Jacquot will be screened on Tuesday, March 13 at 3 pm and

Wednesday, March 14 at 6.30pm at Alliance Française de Colombo, 11, Barnes Place, Colombo 7.

A school girl falls for a charming young man. After news about a botched bank robbery in which a guard is killed, she learns that her boyfriend was one of the robbers. She decides to hide him and his friends and then they all sneak out of the country. After hiding out and spending all the money, tempers rise and the group splits up. This forces the girl to work her own way back home and deal with her actions and her separation from her boyfriend. The movie is most suitable for mature audience and is subtitled in English.

