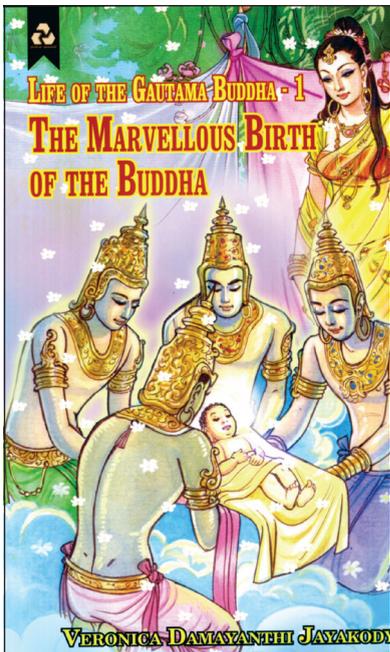


Cultural

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.



Launching of the Marvellous Birth of the Buddha

Veronica Damayanthi Jayakody's latest book on Buddhism, The Marvellous Birth of the Buddha will be launched at Dayawansa Jayakody bookshop, Colombo 10 on May 2 at 10 am.

The Marvellous Birth of the Buddha is the English translation of her *Gauthama Buddha Charithaya 1 - Bosathanan Vahanse*. She is also the author of *Ape Budu Hamuduruwo*.

Romantic Masterworks at Ladies College

The Symphony Orchestra of Sri Lanka (SOSL) is conducting Romantic Masterworks a concert with Franz von Suppé who is over-

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ture to poet and peasant, Antonin Dvorak who is serenade for strings in E. major Op.22 and Felix Mendelssohn who will be with the symphony No.3 on Saturday (May 19) at 7 pm at the Ladies College hall.

The conductor will be Dushyanthi Perera.

The box plan and the tickets are now available at the Lionel Wendt theatre on weekdays from 10 am to 12 noon and from 2 pm to 5 pm and on weekends from 10 am to 12 noon and from 2 pm to 5 pm.



Chethana Ranasinghe live in concert

A young budding songstress of our time, Chethana Ranasinghe will have her maiden concert on May 27 at the Bishop's College auditorium from 6.30 pm onwards.

Chethana who is an old girl of Bishop's College and Devi Balika Vidyalaya, Colombo has started singing from her childhood.

She has done 10 songs and a video upto now.

Pemvathiyaki Ma, Mathakaye Thurulle, Rana Hansiya are a few songs to be mentioned out of her creations.

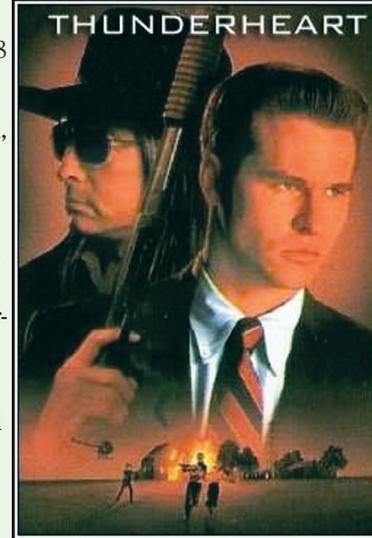
At present she is the presenter of the Dream Star chart show in Dera-na TV.



Thunderheart

Thunderheart (1992) will be screened on May 8 at 6 pm at the American Centre, No 44, Galle Road, Colombo 3. (Running Time: 119 minutes)

An FBI agent sent to investigate a murder on an Oglala Sioux reservation discovers that the truth—about his case, about himself, and about his country—is an elusive prey. This tough and thought-provoking thriller is loosely based on historical events, and includes excellent performances by Val Kilmer, Graham Greene, Sam Shepherd and Sheila Tousey, and features a rare film appearance by Native American poet and activist John Trudell.



Fin août, début septembre

The movie, *Fin août, début septembre* (1998) by Olivier Assayas will be screened on Wednesday, May 02 at 6.30pm at Alliance Française de Colombo, 11, Barnes Place, Colombo 7.

A story about the transition from late youth to early maturity, the film follows several friends and lovers as they come to make decisions on how to live their lives, getting a job more in harmony with ones ideals, committing to a lover, giving up a lover that no longer loves you: a film about grown-ups growing up.

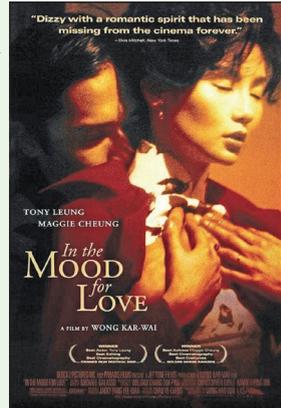


The movie is for general viewing and is subtitled in English.

In The Mood For Love (Hong Kong)

In The Mood For Love (2000) by Wong Kar-Wai will be screened on April 30 at 3 pm and 5.30 pm at the International Centre for Ethnic Studies (ICES) auditorium, 02, Kynsey Terrace, Colombo 8. (Running Time: 98minutes)

Set in Hong Kong, Chow Mo-Wan is a newspaper editor who moves into a new building with his wife. At the same time, Su Li-zhen, a beautiful secretary and her executive husband also move into the crowded building. With their spouses often away, Chow and Li-zhen spend most of their time together as friends. They have everything in common from noodle shops to martial arts. Soon, they are shocked to discover that their spouses are having an affair. Hurt and angry, they find comfort in their growing friendship even as they resolve not to be like their unfaithful mates. In this sumptuous exploration of desire, internationally acclaimed director Wong Kar-Wai creates a world of sensuality and longing that will leave you breathless. *In the Mood for Love* has seduced audiences and critics alike, winning awards at Cannes Film Festival for best actor, cinematography and editing.



The House of Wind

The House of Wind (2011) directed by Viacheslav Zlapotsky will be screened on May 11 at the Russian Center auditorium, No10, Independence Avenue, Colombo 7 at 6 pm.

An ordinary small woman - Taisia Levishna, is the yard cleaner in children's isolation hospital. She has just found out that her son, who has gone missing at the southern border ten years ago, had actually died. In order to fill in the painful emptiness in her soul, Taya kidnaps a seven-year-old Asian boy called Timur from the hospital. According to the doctor's diagnose, Timur has got a terminal illness.

For further details please contact the Cultural Officer on 0112 685440 / 0112 685429. Limited number of seats available.

