

# Bangladeshi-American Convention 2007

*Friday and Saturday, July 6-7*

## Convention Headquarters: Hilton McLean

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### Special Note: BAFI Nite '07 at the Patriot Center on July 7th

George Mason University, 4500 Patriot Circle  
Fairfax, Virginia 22030. Tel. 703 993-3000  
Door Opens at 6PM for 7PM-12AM show  
Tickets start at \$20 per person for 2 years and above.  
*Advance purchase advised for best seats.*

## TENTATIVE PROGRAM at the Hilton McLean

*Registration:* Scott Room

**Friday:** 12 Noon-11 PM

**Saturday:** 9 AM – 5 PM

*No entrance fee for Hilton McLean events to hotel guests; others, \$5 per person or \$15 per family for one or two days*

*Bazaar and Arts Exhibition:* Pre-function area and adjacent room

*Friday Night VIP Dinner* (pre-registration required): Martinique

*Saturday Breakfast for BAFI Life members* (by invitation only): Martinique

*Media Interview Room:* Heritage Board Room

*BAFI Meeting Room:* Estate Board Room

*Prayer Rooms:* Gunston (*Male*) and Sully (*Female*)

### FRIDAY: July 6, 2007

Time	Ballroom A & B	Ballroom C	Ampitheater
6:30-6:35PM	US National Anthem		
6:35-6:40PM	Bangladesh National Anthem		
6:40-6:45PM	Welcome Address		Children movies
6:45-7:30PM	Key Note Speeches		
7:30-8:30PM	<i>Desi</i> Dinner and networking		
	<i>Special Lecture</i>		
8:30-9:20PM	Technology Empowers Prof. Iqbal Quadir, MIT		
10:00-12:00AM	<b>Friday Night Concert with renowned Bangladeshi artists</b>		

**SATURDAY: July 7, 2007**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Ballroom A &amp; B</b>	<b>Fairfax Room</b>	<b>Ballroom C</b>	<b>Ampitheater</b>
10.00AM – 11.00AM	<p><i>Begum Rokeya: a 19th Century activist</i></p> <p><b>Speaker</b> Mrs. Shaheen Chowdhury Westcome, MBE (London)</p>	<p><i>Spatial Rural Planning and long-run Economic Development in Bangladesh (BEN Seminar)</i></p> <p><b>Speaker</b> Prof. Salim Rashid</p> <p><b>Chairperson</b> Prof. Saleh Tanveer</p>		Children movies
11.00 AM- 12.00 PM	<p><i>Arsenic Issues</i></p> <p><b>Speaker</b> Prof. Abul Hussam</p> <p><b>Chairperson</b> Dr. Naheed Banu</p>	<p><i>Can One Person Change the World?</i></p> <p><b>Speaker</b> Mr. Muhit Rahman</p> <p><b>Chairperson</b> Dean Munir Quddus</p>	<p><i>Deshantori (70 mins) followed by discussion with Producer in Ampitheater</i></p>	
12.00 PM- 1.00 PM	Lunch and Networking	Lunch and Networking	<p><i>At 12: 30PM: Rokeyar Katha by Bani Dutta</i></p>	
1.00 PM- 2.00 PM	<p><i>Khola Sanglap: Immigration Issues</i></p> <p><b>Panelists</b> Dr. Jahangir Khan Dr. Abdul Momen Dr. Ahtesham Chowdhury</p> <p><b>Moderator</b> Mr. Iqbal Bahar Chowdhury (VOA)</p>	<p><i>Discussion on Human Rights and Terrorism (Tentative)</i></p> <p><b>Organizer</b> Dr. Golam Akhter</p>	<p>1: 15PM Film: <i>Nirontar</i></p>	
2.00 PM- 3.00 PM	<p><i>Is E-learning Possible in Bangladesh?</i></p> <p><b>Speakers</b> Drs. Badrul Khan &amp; Mashiur Rahman</p> <p><b>Chairperson</b> Prof Saifur Rahman</p>	<p><i>NRBs helping Bangladesh: Coal &amp; Mining Options and Issues (BEN Seminar)</i></p> <p><b>Speaker</b> Dr. Khalequzzaman</p> <p><b>Chairperson</b> Prof. Salim Rashid</p>		
3.00 PM- 4.00 PM	<p><i>Desired Role of NRB Print Media (Porshi Panel)</i></p>	<p><i>Critical Success Factors for Emerging Bengali Professional in the USA</i></p>	<p>3: 30 PM Film: <i>Bachelor- The Circle</i></p>	

	<p><b>Panelists:</b>  Mr. Abu Taher  <i>Bangla Patrika</i>  Mr. Dewan  Arefin  <i>Porshi</i>  Mr. Shaikh  Mahfuzur  Rahman  <i>Priyo Bangla</i></p> <p><b>Moderator</b>  Mr. Anis Ahmed  (VOA)</p>	<p><i>(NYBAP Panel)</i></p> <p><b>Panelists</b>  Ms. Jasmine Ahmed  Mr. Faisal Quader  Mr. Sam Quiah  Mr. Malik Rashid  Ms. Sylvana Q. Sinha</p> <p><b>Moderator</b></p>		
5 PM	<p><i>Free bus shuttle between Hilton and the Patriot Center for registered hotel guests only.</i></p>			