

# Brick Lane Circle Events



## Story of Bangladesh & Bangladeshi people, at home and in the Diaspora

Brick Lane Circle's annual conference in association with Idea Store Chrisp Street. Venue: Idea Store Chrisp St, 1 Vesey Path, East India Dock Road, London E14 6BT

<b>Saturday 28 April 12, 1-5pm</b> <b>Culture and Identity</b> 1.00-1.30pm - Refreshment and networking		
<b>1.30pm - I am Bangladeshi</b> By <b>Dr. Shams N Zaman</b> . She completed her M.B.B.S. from Dhaka University. Later studied M.Sc. from the Johns Hopkins University, U.S.A. She worked in medical research at Johns Hopkins University and at Kings College, London, for many years. Her published works include: <i>Ekusher Shandhayne (Bengali) 1994; Mirza Shaikh Itesamuddin and his Travelogue / Shigurfnama i Velayet: Wonders of Britain 1765-1769 AD; Forty Short Years: Bangladesh; The First Bengali Muslim Woman's version of Hajj (Bengali).</i>	<b>3.00pm - Impact of International Events on London Bangladeshis (1971-2011) - an interactive workshop on a new project proposal</b> By <b>Dr Muhammad Ahmedullah</b>	<b>3.30pm - The Poetics of Nationalism: Poetry and Film in East Pakistan 1952-1971</b> By <b>Dr Nazneen Ahmed</b> . She is currently working as Research Assistant on the Oxford Diasporas Programme project "Religious faith, space and Diasporic Communities in East London, 1880-present." Her D. Phil. in English Literature from Wadham College, Oxford, examined the cultural development of Bangladeshi secular nationalism through literature and cultural production from 1947-1971.
<b>Saturday 5 May 2012</b> <b>Politics and Economy</b> 2.00-2.30pm - Refreshment and networking		
<b>2.30pm - The Power Sector Crisis in Bangladesh: what needs to be done?</b> By <b>Professor Mushtaq Khan</b> . He is Professor of economics at SOAS, completed his undergraduate studies in Philosophy, Politics and Economics at the University of Oxford and then won a scholarship for his PhD studies in Economics at Cambridge. Previously he taught at the universities of both Oxford and Cambridge.		

## Special comedy evening / networking event

Sunday 13 May April 12, 5.30-9pm

Brady Art Centre, Hanbury Street, London E1 5HU

- *Launch of the Powers of Festivals exhibition*
- *Presentations on interesting projects and initiatives*
- *Poetry reading by Rez Kabir and other poets*
- *Stand-up comedy hosted by Asif Baul of Ye Olde17 Comedy (featuring Peyvand Khorshani and Daphan Baram with highlights from their Middle East politics themed fringe show Frenemies. More acts tbc)*
- *Bengali music*

**All welcome!**

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