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## Bangladeshi art troupe to perform in Vietnam

A Bangladeshi art troupe will perform in Vietnam on the occasion of the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of diplomatic ties between Vietnam and Bangladesh.

The troupe will perform at Hanoi Theatre on July 13 and at August Theatre in Hai Phong city two days after. They will present Vietnamese audience with traditional songs and dances in praise of Bangladesh's land and people.

The 12-member troupe will include famous singers Ferdous Wahid and Rezia Parveen, and young talented dancers Ataur Rahman, Sareeta Haidar, and Tanjina Akther Rumki.

## Hanoi hosts Asia-Europe Forum for young photographers

The Asia-Europe Forum for young photographers, part of the 5th Asia-Europe Summit Meeting (ASEM 5), opened in Hanoi on Sunday.

The forum, organised by the Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF) and the World Press Photo Association (WPP), is presided over by the Deputy Minister of Culture and Information, Tran Chien Thang, the Director General of Vietnam News Agency and Director of the Vietnam Pictorial magazine, Le Quoc Trung, ASEF representative Marie Le Sour and WPP representative, Evelien Kunst.

Attending the forum are 20 promising young photographers from ASEM member countries. With the theme "Urbanisation", the participants are to take photos of the host city and the best ones will be chosen for an exhibition in Hanoi from September 24-30 and at the ASEM 5 meeting in October.

## Typing software for ethnic language scripts introduced in Central Highlands

TayNguyenKey, a typing software for the scripts of ethnic groups in the Central Highlands, has released public by the Science and Technology Department of Dak Lak province.

It can be used for the scripts of the Ede, M'Nong, Gia Rai, Xe Dang, Ko Ho and Ba Na groups.

The new software allows users to type the letters of both Vietnamese and ethnic scripts at the same time without changing the keyboard.

This software program, which uses VNI-Win, Vietware\_X, and Unicode fonts, can run on Windows 95/98, Windows Me, Windows 2000, Windows NT and Windows XP.

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