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Month of independence with Kay Kraft

Highlighting the air of freedom that spreads through the month of March, fashion house Kay Kraft has set out a fine collection of clothes to match the occasion. Shalwar-kameezs, saris, kurtis, shirts, t-shirts, bandanas and much more are available in their latest offering.

This new collection is available in all Kay Kraft outlets. For online shopping, check out www.kaykraft.com

For more information, visit www.facebook.com/kaykraft.com.bd/



Celebrate Independence Day with Rang Bangladesh

March, the month of Independence, is celebrated with many creative expressions, including fashion. Keeping the sense of pride inherent in the celebrations, leading fashion house Rang Bangladesh, is highlighting the joy of victory through the canvas of clothes. The whole family can celebrate the day with Rang Bangladesh's collection of matching clothes.

The main colour this time around is

white, red, and the green of the national flag. Other colours include shades of green, white, golden yellow with screen prints, block prints, hand embroidery.

Other than the typical offers for men and women, Rang Bangladesh's sub-brands — West Rang and Rang Junior also have their own collection to celebrate the occasion.

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NEWS FLASH

Shaheda Yesmin wins Silver in Italian Vegetarian challenge

Local culinary experts are making waves internationally, and the most recent example would be Shaheda Yesmin, culinary curator at Jewel's Kitchen. In February, Yesmin's interpretation of Eggplant Caponata, was announced as a Silver Award winner in Italia A Tavola, a renowned publication highlighting the best of Italian cuisine, dining places and all things gastronomical. The competition was held by the Italian Dining Summit -IDS, where Yesmin participated online, and won in the Photo Category of the Vegetarian Challenge. This challenge was created by Prof Armando Cristofori, the current President of IDS, and organised by Paolo Baratella, the Ambassador of IDS. As a strategic partnership with the World Association of Master Chefs – WAMC, the challenge will continue till September 2020, with new winners being announced for every month.

Caponata, a Sicilian cooked salad dish based on eggplants, was presented with Yesmin's own twist. In her interview sent for the purpose of the competition, she mentioned the Caponata she had back in 2011 when she and her husband visited Portofino in Italy, having a lasting impact on her. With her love for local eggplants, she sought to create this dish in her own way.

Vegetarian dishes are getting more and more attention since healthy eating has become a constant challenge over the years. This particular competition seeks to promote a healthy cuisine and a healthy lifestyle. With Yesmin and other Bangladeshi award winners in this competition, it is quite clear that our local chefs are well prepared to take on international challenges.

'Ora Egarojon' by BAW, 2020

Bangladesh Art Week's (BAW) Founder Niharika Momtaz and Co-founder Mohammed Mohsin, held another successful round of art exhibition this year, titled 'Ora Egarojon,' a female-led group art exhibition celebrating womanhood, at the Dhaka Gallery, Banani from 7 to 14 March, 2020.

The exhibition, which was open for all, had been unique in the sense that it celebrated womanhood in all forms, from creativity to their spiritual existence. Prominent artists, including Farida Zaman, Ivy Zaman, Dilara Begum Jolly, Rokeya Sultana, Kanak Chanpa Chakma, Preema Nazia Andaleeb, Ayesha Sultana, Tasneem Tariq, Salma Abedin Prithi, Farzana Haque and Rumana Rahman showcased their artworks, across the spectrum of visual arts, performing arts, sculptural installations, architectural installations, videography and photography.

The event was planned with heaps of interesting content, including a panel discussion by eminent folks of the society, titled "What story are you?" to an artistled and female-curator led tour of the exhibition.

The showcase had been graced by the artwork of the leading and eminent women artists of Bangladesh, who have supported by bolstering diversity. At the end of the event, Momtaz revealed that she always wanted to uplift the arena of arts and culture in the society and hence the birth of BAW.

"Every year, we have a brand new theme for our exhibition and this year, it was 'Ora Egarojon' and 'Women Artists'. With this event, we tried to highlight the many aspects of women, their creativity, passion and successes. Next year, it will be something different. Keep an eye out for 2021," said the event organiser and art enthusiast.

