



LS EDITOR'S NOTE

Personal grooming and safe services

I haven't been in a grooming mood for a while, although deep inside, I do crave for a relaxing hair oil massage. However, recently I saw posts that most of our salons are opening with full safety measures.

Farzana Shakil's Makeover Salon is Star Lifestyle's most trusted makeup partner since the early noughties. They have done 90 percent of all our photoshoot makeup and hairstyling. Recently, Shakil opened up her salon's newly relocated Dhanmondi branch at Concord Royal Court on Road 27, and has brought us some state-of-the-art grooming facilities.

Shakil, a Beauty Expert, an Image Consultant and Managing Director of Farzana Shakil's Makeover Salon, is a makeup artist par excellence. Recently, I had the opportunity to have a long discussion with her, and thought I would like to get some grooming suggestions from her; sort of a joy list for self-indulgence that perk us up in loneliness during this pandemic.

The way we perceive ourselves is not how others see us. We might think we are prim, proper, and well-groomed but that might not be the perception of others. There is more to being well-groomed than just makeup and hairstyle. Impeccably groomed is someone who is neat, tidy, with a pleasing appearance. "We groom because it's a perfect way to celebrate ourselves and pay attention to our needs and image. Small routine things like styling your hair, exfoliating once in a while, getting haircuts every couple of months, staying hydrated, are very basic grooming rituals that we must do," Shakil emphasizes, adding a beauty tip of using glycerin and mist to keep the skin young, supple and dewy.

Besides, a red-hot manicure, a relaxing hair oil massage, or a fresh and crisp hair-cut never fails to cheer us up. For example, if the eyebrows are shaped properly, it lifts up a person's appearance almost instantly, as eyebrows are said to frame the face. Thus, this

Eid, get a hydrating facial, or 10-minute clean up facial done, as well as some basic grooming, to keep up the spirits of the festival high.

Personal appearance is important because it creates the first impression, and shows respect towards the self, and embodies etiquette and good manners.

Recently, we have had an online rendezvous with Farzana Shakil, where we discussed various fashion and style related issues and their probable solutions amidst the pandemic. Be sure to watch the video, which was a part of our latest Star Lifestyle multimedia initiative, where we meet experts on a regular basis and talk to them about important subjects.

— RBR

Preview of the new branch

Farzana Shakil's new premises for the Dhanmondi branch of her eponymous salon is just a couple of buildings away from the

previous one, at House no. 40 on Road 27. Having opened recently, and keeping in mind the very real risk of COVID transmission, all sorts of precautions are being taken.

Masks and other protection gear are worn by all the staff, and all patrons are checked for temperature anomalies, and provided sanitisation upon entry. Moreover, a detailed account of each visitor is kept. Also, services at the sparkling new premises have been adapted to reduce chances of transmission, e.g. manicure stations have a barrier between the patron and the service provider, and face masks are worn by the service providers at all times. One can also opt to have their eyebrows waxed.

Feeling couped up at home? You can safely visit Farzana Shakil's Makeover Salon for some much-needed pampering.

— LS Desk
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ARIES (MAR. 21-APR. 20)

Do things as you see fits. Friends may deceive you. Make time for travel. Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.



TAURUS (APR. 21-MAY 21)

Things can get rough colleagues. Get involved in groups. You need a change of pace. Your lucky day this week will be Tuesday.



GEMINI (MAY 22-JUN. 21)

Emotional situations could bring out your stubborn nature. Social events can bring romantic encounters. Use your energy wisely. Your lucky day this week will be Tuesday.



CANCER (JUN. 22-JUL. 22)

Try to accommodate others. Put safety first. Be careful when dealing with investments. Your lucky day this week will be Sunday.



LEO (JUL. 23-AUG. 22)

Get your papers in order. Uncertainty regarding your partner may emerge. Social events will be favorable. Your lucky day this week will be Thursday.



VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEP. 23)

Avoid any petty ego confrontations. Don't be too sensitive. Make changes to your domestic scene. Your lucky day this week will be Sunday.



LIBRA (SEP. 24-OCT. 23)

Take care of your family. Loss is evident if you aren't careful. Clear up any pending work. Your lucky day this week will be Sunday.



SCORPIO (OCT. 24-NOV. 21)

Get into self-improvement projects. Clear out uncertainties. Pay your partner some attention. Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.



SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

Your dedication will enhance your reputation. Find ways to boost your income. A little rest will do wonders. Your lucky day this week will be Thursday.



CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 20)

Group involvements may not go as planned. Pamper yourself. Don't invest too much of your own money. Your lucky day this week will be Monday.



AQUARIUS (JAN. 21-FEB. 19)

Someone from your past may come back. Rely on your quick wit. Try to keep a secret. Your lucky day this week will be Sunday.



PISCES (FEB. 20-MAR. 20)

Partnerships may be plentiful. Make changes to your living quarters. Don't emotionally blackmail your partner. Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.