

Exhibition

Costume jewelry to win you over

Abrar's new collection of gold-plated silver jewelry is on display at the WVA auditorium in the city



Abrar Rahman MUNEERA PARBEEN

ABRARUR Rahman came, displayed his work and won hearts. No, this is not a story of a film star who conquered them all. Abrarur Rahman is a costume jewelry designer who has won over many clients with his works of art at his third solo exhibition of gold plated silver jewelry.

himself in creating exquisite costume jewellery for the womenfolk of the city.

The pieces on show include single strand pieces, shalleheris, and multiple layers of beads set with gold-plated pendants and matching earrings. Each is individual and comes in a different combination of colour, shape and style. A golden pendant in meenakari work held by a strand of semitransparent mauve coloured stones, a blue beaded strand sporting a diamond shaped pendant set by blue meenakari work, large maroon wooden beads holding a large pedant in antiquated golden plating these are just some among Abrar's designs of jewelry.

He uses gold plated silver handmade ornament pieces to make his necklace sets that have created quite a ripple in the capital. After his first exhibition two years ago, this art

institute graduate was overwhelmed with orders for more works. The second exhibition a year later saw the demand for his works go up. With the third exhibition this week, Abrar has found, much to his benefit, that his reputation for interesting jewelry pieces has spread far and wide.

"There are people who come up to me and say they have been waiting for the whole year for my work, and want to see my work more often," says the young man who has been beset by order after order.

His exhibition was inaugurated at 3.00pm Saturday and by 6.00pm, a huge number of works had already been sold off.

Abrar works from his own house at Kalabagan. He gets his jewelry pieces, designed by himself, made from silversmiths at Savar. Then his second stage of work begins,



Each piece of jewelry is a work of art

which is to arrange the pendant and beads into tasteful necklace pieces. He says he doesn't leave this part of his work to any one else, thereby ensuring that the finished work

is of uniform quality and standard.

The artist uses Teakwood for beads used in his pieces. Other than that he uses semi-precious stones as amethyst, garnet, pearls and ruby. Most of these are brought from abroad. He also uses pure silver. Abrar has also used a wide range of meenakari work in his current collection. He has also used a new type of meenakari work that he calls 'mahogany meena' that gives a water-washed mauve effect on the metal. He has extensively used the copper colour as well.

When asked what he thinks is the reason behind the wide response to his works, Abrar says that people now are more fashion conscious and aware of different trends in the arena. He found many women arriving at his exhibition with sarees in hand in order to be able to buy matching pieces to go with them, he said.



Abrar's designs are delicate and as well as intricate

Abrar says that he has received many requests to make his pieces in gold. However, he feels that the time is not yet right for him to venture into that. He hopes that in the near future he will be able to set up his own showroom-cum-sales centre in order to be able to make his work regularly available to the people.

At present he makes use of his leisure hours to design the jewelry. He works for sometime in the morning each day prior to going to his work. He squeezes in all his leisure hours before bringing out a collection.

The good news for those who like his work is that he plans to hold an exclusive exhibition on Pahela Baisakh next year with a new collection.

This will be quite unlike his previous works, he promises. Also of relevance, Abrar already caters to individual orders for jewelry on different occasions, especially of those for the gaye halud ceremony of weddings.

Abrarur Rahman has no formal experience in jewelry designing. He graduated from Chittagong Institute of Fine Arts with a degree in Industrial Art. At present he works with the Singer, Bangladesh Limited.

His exhibition, at the WVA auditorium at house no 20, rd no 27 (old) of Dhanmondi, remains open to all from 3.00pm to 8.00pm everyday until December 7.

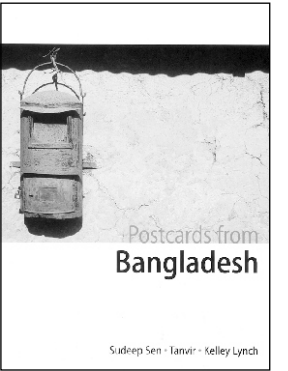


Abrar draws his inspiration from traditional Indian jewelry



Abrar's neckless collection is rich in variety and design

RECOMMENDATIONS



Book launching

Publication party of the Postcards from Bangladesh by Sudeep Sen, Tanvir and Kelley Lynch -- a full-colour 304-page large-format coffee table book, published by University Press Limited, will be held today at 7:30 pm. British High Commissioner in Dhaka, Dr. David Carter, will launch the book formally at an exclusive part in the city.

Ambiance

The inauguration of an exhibition titled 'Ambiance' by Debesh Goswami will be held at the National Museum today at 10a.m. Artist Qayyum Chowdhury will inaugurate the exhibition as chief guest. The exhibition will continue everyday from 9:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. till December 20.

Eid exhibition

The Eid exhibition and the launching of www.kaykraft.com of fashion house Kay Kraft is being held at the WVA auditorium (H-20, Rd-27). The exhibition will continue everyday from 12:00 - 9:00 p.m. till December 15.

Photography for life

A charity exhibition titled 'Photography for life' for a little boy Badhon who has Blood Cancer is being held at the Indian Cultural Centre (754 Satmasjid Road). Organised by The Third Eye and supported by The High Commission of India the exhibition will continue everyday from 11:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m. till December 7.

TV GUIDE

EKUSHEY TV

- 12:00 Ekushey Midday
12:30 Charidike
1:00 Expedition to the Animal Kingdom
1:30 Documentary programme: Japan Video Tropic
2:00 Classic Cartoons
2:10 Deho Tore
2:30 Drishti
3:00 Ekushey Headlines
3:05 Drama Serial: Bondhu Borasho
3:30 Documentary
4:00 Khelaj Khelaj Chirontonee
4:30 Expedition to the Animal Kingdom
5:00 Islamic programme: Oishee
5:30 Drishti
5:50 Aiker Potrikay
6:00 Ekushey Headlines
6:05 Classic Cartoons
6:30 Charidike
6:55 Ekushey Headlines
7:00 Chips & Bites
7:30 Ekushey News
7:58 Ek Minute
8:00 Drama Serial: Bondhon
8:45 Program of Song
9:00 Ekushey News (English)
9:05 Pother Pachle
9:30 Drama Serial: Sundoree News: Simulcast from BT
11:00 Ekushey Late Night News
11:30 Sumproique
12:00 Ekushey Headlines
CHANNEL-i
6:25 Drama Joar Vata
7:00 Special Programme
7:35 Drama Simana
8:00 Din Proidin
8:35 Sanchita
9:40 Music Plus
10:45 Drama Joar Vata
11:15 Special programme
12:00 Drama Simana
12:35 Sanchita
2:00 Bangla Cinema: Nil Akasher Niche (Razzak/Kabori)
PM
4:50 Mahe Ramadan
5:25 Hamd Nat
5:35 Monohor Iftar
5:45 Islam & Biggan
6:10 Music Plus
7:15 Channel I Sangbad
7:25 Bha Ki Darun Drisha
8:00 Chitti Pelam
8:35 I tele Quise
8:35 Anondodhara
9:00 Channel I Sangbad
9:20 Sangbad Patra Bangladesh
9:30 I tele Quise
10:00 Quize: 60 Sec.
10:01 Music Circle
10:30 Channel I Sangbad

ATN BANGLA

- 3:30 Sehri prog Mobarak Mahey Ramadan
5:30 Islamic prog
7:00 Musical Prog: ATN Music
7:35: Dance Prog: Dance Dance
8:00 ATN Bangla News
8:25 Drama Serial: Uttarar
9:00 Film Magazine: Cine Music
9:35 Drama Serial: Neel Jonaki
10:50 Drama Serial: Bondon
10:50 Drama serial: Bondon
11:20 Bengali film: Apon Jon
12:00 ATN Bangla News
4:30 Iftar Prog: Mobarak Mahey Ramadan
6:07 Health Care Prog: Sustha Thakun
6:45 Film Song Prog: Surchobi
7:00 ATN Bangla Evening News
7:35 Drama Serial : Rang Beronger Din
8:10 Film Magazine: Daluiwond Bichitra
8:45 Cook Prog: Ranna Banna
9:20 Drama Serial Brittyer Bhalobasha
10:00 ATN Bangla News
10:35 Drama: Shemany Aka
11:05 Drama Serial: Bondon
11:30 ATN Bangla News
12:00 Bengali film: Malamoti
HBO
7:00 The Paper
9:15 Internal Affairs
11:30 Mask
2:00 I Q
4:00 La Bamba
6:15 Look Who's Talking too
8:00 Event Horizon
10:00 "Okiver!"
1:00 Deep Core
2:45 I Q
4:45 Look Who's Talking Too
STAR GOLD
10:30 Amul Bollywood News
11:00 Geet Bahar
11:30 Vishwasghaat (Sanjeev Kumar, Shabana Azmi)
3:00 Amul Bollywood New
3:30 Main Zinda Hoon (Deepiti Naval, Pankaj Kapoor)
7:00 Geet Bahar
7:30 Rang Birangi Pyar Ka Mandir (Mithun Chakraborty, Raj)

STAR WORLD

- 6:00 Happy Days
6:30 3rd Rock From The Sun
7:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show
8:00 Water Rats
9:00 JAG
10:00 The Pretender
11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show
12:00 Law & Order Special Victims Unit
1:00 Things People Do The Bold and The Beautiful
2:00 Mork & Mindy
2:30 Happy Days
3:00 Baywatch
4:00 The Simpsons
4:30 3rd Rock From The Sun
5:00 Star News Asia
5:30 Friends
6:00 The Drew Carey Show
6:30 Whose Line Is It Anyway?
6:45 Star News Asia
7:00 Ally McBeal
8:00 The Practice
9:00 Friends
9:30 The Drew Carey Show
10:00 Whose Line Is It Anyway?
10:30 Ally McBeal
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STAR PLUS (INDIA)
6:00 Sanskruti
6:30 Star Geetmala
7:30 Hum Saath Aath Hain
8:00 Aatma
9:00 Hit filemin Hit Sangeet
9:30 Fox Kids Daily
10:30 Small Wonder
11:00 Pal Chhin
11:30 Saahil
12:00 Shanti
12:30 Hit filemin Hit Sangeet
1:00 Hum Saath Aath Hain
1:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Ki
2:00 Sanskruti
2:30 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi
3:00 Shagun
CHANNEL [V]
7:30 [V] So Long Gone
8:30 [V] Jumpstart
10:30 [V] Hit Machine
12:30 [V] Jungli Jukebox
1:00 [V] FDFS
1:30 [V] Hit Machine
4:30 [V] Hotline
5:30 Very [V]
7:00 [V] The Chosen One Audience with Britney
7:30 Hit Machine
8:00 [V] Colossal Chaos

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

- EKUSHEY: 9:30 p.m. Shundori. Ishrat has a bandage on her head. She starts feeding a deer. Khan Mojish says that the jungle has started playing a mysterious game. The birds' eye loses the path of the bird. Ishrat says that she will not give up until Carlos is found.
STAR WORLD: 6:00 & 9:30 p.m. The Drew Carey Show. Man's Best Same Sex Companion: When Drew's dog, Speedy, needs an expensive operation, Drew creates a fictional man and pretends to be in a same sex relationship so his medical insurance will cover the expense. But when store management asks for proof, Drew tries to convince them that Oswald is his significant other.
STAR MOVIES: 7:00 p.m. Atomic Twister. Without warning, a powerful tornado brutally slams into the nuclear plant where Corrine Maguire (Sharon Lawrence) works, causing extensive damage to the plant's equipment and destabilising the nuclear reactor. Cut off from communicating with the outside world, it is up to Corrine to bring the reactor back under control and to make certain that the core is not exposed.

PICK OF THE DAY

- Oliver! on HBO at 10:00 pm
Some orphans have it tough. And I'm not talking about Annie. Oliver (Lester, The Prince & The Pauper) runs off to London and away from a workhouse, a life of servitude and very little food. For there, fortune awaits. Or so he thinks. But he lands himself with the wrong crowd -- a bunch of orphan thieves taught to stay that way by their pied-piper leader, Fagin, who runs a crime school for boys.

SPORTS

- 7:00 NBA Basketball Sacramento, CA USA Philadelphia
9:30 NFL's Greatest Moments Veterans' Day
10:00 English Premier Football League 2001/02 London, England Bolton Wanderers @ Tottenham Hospur
12:00 Cricket Magazine India's Greatest Cricket Moments Sharjah, UAE India @ New Zealand 1998 Coca Cola Cup 1st odi H/Ls
1:00 Sportscenter Bristol, CT USA
2:00 Conference Usa Basketball St Louis, Mo USA Missouri @ Saint Louis
4:00 Uefa Champions League 2001/02 London, Germany Deportivo LaCoruna @ Bayer Leverkusen
8:30 Finders Fee
8:30 Lip Service
10:15 Fantasticks, the Looking for an Echo
1:45 Perfect Murder 2
3:30 Hi Money Im Dead
5:15 Darklings, the Atomic Twister
8:45 Deadly Breed
10:30 Lip Service
12:30 Invasion of the Body Snatchers
2:30 BoldersFee
4:30 Willy Milly
ZEE TV
6:00 Yaadon Ke Pal
6:30 Aalaap
7:00 Yoga For Life
7:30 Jagran
7:50 Zee Gym & Eat Healthy
8:20 News
@ Barcelona Group Phase 2, Matchday 8
Sportscenter Hindi Goals!
NBA Basketball Sacramento, CA USA Philadelphia
11:30 Sportscenter Hindi Cricket Magazine India's Greatest Cricket Moments Sharjah, UAE India @ New Zealand 1998 Coca Cola Cup 1st odi H/Ls
1:00 Cheerleading 2001 National All Star Cheerleading Champ Orlando, FL US
1:30 Uefa Champions League 2001/02 London, Germany Deportivo LaCoruna @ Bayer Leverkusen
4:00 Uefa Champions League 2001/02 Barcelona, Spain Galatasaray
4:30 Max Power
5:30 Cricket Programming Super Selector November Winners
6:30 Sailing World 49er
7:00 World Championships Watersports World
8:00 Sportsline Tonight
8:30 World Cup Mix
9:00 Gillette World Sports Special Gillette World Sports
9:30 Australia Cricket New Zealand Tour of Australia 2001 Perth, Australia New Zealand @ Australia 3rd Test, Day 5, Highlights
10:30 Sportsline Tonight
11:00 Champions Trophy Sharjah, UAE 3rd Odi, Highlights
12:00 Sportsline Tonight Tiger Soccer 5'S Tiger 5s, 2001 Final
4:30 Sportsline Tonight The Straits Cup 2001
5:30 National Sports Report Trans World Sport

ALPHA TV

- 6:00 Chokher Bali/Football
6:30 Aatpake Bandhe
7:00 Nayantara
7:30 News In Bengali
8:00 Surer Ei Jhamadhara
8:30 Zee Jalsa
9:00 News
9:05 Bharat Bhraman
9:30 Purobi
10:00 Googly
10:30 Prapto Baeskodeer janyo
11:00 Nayantara
11:30 Ebar Jombe Moja
12:00 Gandharbi
12:30 Chena Mukher Shari
1:00 Inga
1:30 Ek Akasher Niche
2:00 Pratabimba
2:30 Siraj-Feature Film
5:00 Surer Ei Jhamadhara
5:30 Bhalobasa
6:00 News In Bangla
6:30 Chokher Bali /De Re

BANGLA TV

- 7:30 Surer Ei Jhamadhara
8:00 Pratabimba
8:30 Ek Akasher Niche
9:15 Chena Mukh Shari
9:45 Ingeet
10:15 Football
10:45 Ek Palake
10:50 Bangla News Bulletin
10:55 Ek Palake
11:00 News in Bengali
11:30 Bideshini Bodhu
11:55 Ek Palake
12:00 Chokher Bali/De Re
12:25 Ek Palake
12:30 Bangla Feature Film
3:00 Purobi
3:30 Bharat Bhraman
STAR NEWS
07:00 Breakfast News
6:00 Star News Hindi
6:30 Bollywood News
7:00 Star Bazaar
7:30 Saat Baje
8:00 Star Khel
8:30 Tonight at 8
9:00 Star Samachar
9:30 Star News English
10:00 Star Business News
10:30 Star Newshour
11:30 Star News English
12:00 Sports Tonight
12:30 Star News English.
SET MAX
12:30 Kutumb
1:00 Hum Sab EkHain
1:30 Kkusum
2:00 Ek Mahal Ho Sapano Ka
2:30 Thodi Si Bewafai
3:00 Aahat Specials
4:00 Boogie Woogie
4:30 Just Mohabbat
5:00 Mahayagya
5:30 Challenge
6:00 Kaun Apna Kaun Paraya
6:30 Yeh Shaadi Nahii Ho Sakhi
7:00 Saaya
7:30 Amrit Varsha
8:00 Asaram Vani Sant
8:30 Chartisters
9:00 Good Morning Disney
10:00 Music Mantra
10:30 Dil Se Dosti
11:00 Mahayagya
11:30 Challenge
12:30 Saaya
1:00 Boogie Woogie
1:30 Ek Mahal Ho Sapano Ka
2:00 Kutumb
2:30 Weekday Matinee: Ek Ladka Ek Ladki
6:00 Just Mohabbat