"It's sad that senior artistes are not honoured" ...Tarin

SHAH ALAM SHAZU

Popular TV face Tarin is recognised for her timeless beauty and versatile talent. She is now rarely seen in front of the camera because she is very choosy about the plot of the plays she stars in. Recently, The Daily Star interviewed the celebrated actress. What's your plan for 2016?

Tarin: I may do a job or start a business. Apart from that, I will continue acting.

What role does acting play in your life?

Tarin: I consider it God's gift. Acting is not only my profession, but passion.

Who mainly inspires you to be a successful actor? Tarin: My family. I'm here today because of God's blessings. The make-up man, playwright and director too have made a great contribution to my success.

Childhood memories you would like to share...

Tarin: My childhood days were not like other kids. I've been involved with singing, anchoring and dancing since my childhood. I went to learn music and dance while others went home to sleep after returning from school.

What qualities make a skilled artiste?

Tarin: It's not possible to become an artiste overnight. For this, you have to be passionate and committed towards your work. It's not an easy task. One should keep in mind that there is a vast difference between a star and artiste.

What's the secret behind your success? Tarin: Honesty, dedication, sincerity and love.

What makes you upset?

Tarin: Seeing that the senior artistes are not getting proper honour and an allowance despite advancing years. The artistes, who gave a lot in their lifelong career, depend on charity when they fall seriously ill. Why does it have to be like this?

What are the first requisites of making a good TV play? Tarin: For this, you need an adequate budget and skilled artistes.

Who do you consider your closest friends? Tarin: My family and my best friend Shanta.

Do you have any plans to act in films? Tarin: I dream of appearing in a great movie, but it will depend on

whether something like that comes my way.





BANNYA recovering from broken hand

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Celebrated Rabindra Sangeet artiste Rezwana Chowdhury Bannya is recovering from an accident, in which she suffered from a broken hand. The incident happened on January 16, right after her organisation Shurer Dhara hosted a two-day Poush Utshab at the Lalmatia Housing Society School premises.

Bannya fell off the stairs at her house and the impact broke her right hand on January 16, the artiste told The Daily Star. She also informed that she underwent surgery on January 17 at the capital's Square Hospital, in which metal plates were placed in her hands. "It will take me at least six weeks to recover," Bannya said. "Life has become quite difficult since the accident, since it's my right hand," she added. Rezwana Chowdhury Bannya sought prayers and good

wishes from her fans and well-wishers for a speedy recovery.

Ask Away To Tisha

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Artistes -- be on TV, concert stages or through their artwork -reach out to us and become our favourite people, without any personal connection whatsoever. We know them through their volume of work, and the signature things that make them special. How often is it that we have wondered what these favourite personalities are behind what we see on the screen and on stage? We all have questions we want to ask them.

Star Arts & Entertainment brings you the golden opportunity to ask your favourite personalities from the cultural

fraternity questions you have always wanted to. Every month in 2016, one celebrity will take on your questions, and the best questions and their answers will be published on The Daily

Nusrat Imroz Tisha, the tal-

ented actress who is taking to the

silver screens after conquering the

modeling biz and TV, is the fea-

tured artiste for February. Ask your questions away -- via email, along with your name, location and occupation, to culturetds@gmail.com by 5pm on January 28. Keep your questions short and interesting to maximize your chances of getting published!



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Future in Films of the Int'l Children's Film Fest begins tomorrow

SAURAV DEY

The ninth edition of International Children's Film Festival Bangladesh is all set to take place from January 23-29 in Dhaka, Sylhet and Rajshahi. With the theme "Future in Frames", the event will run simultaneously at 15 venues in the three major cities.

The inauguration ceremony will take place at Shawkat Osman Auditorium of Central Public Library tomorrow at 4pm. Finance Minister AMA Muhit will attend the inauguration ceremony as chief guest, while Cultural Affairs Minister Asaduzzaman Noor will be the special guest.

In Dhaka, the other festival venues are National Museum, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy, Alliance Française de Dhaka, and Daffodil International University.

Children's Film Society Bangladesh is organising the festival to open a new horizon of cinema for Bangladeshi



children and give them exposure to the culture and tradition of other countries through films. Through this festival, children will have basic ideas on films

and their role in building awareness on social issues to build a better society. Over 150 films from 30 countries --

including host Bangladesh, Argentina,

Switzerland, Ireland, Indonesia, England and Ethiopia -- will be screened at the fest. The categories in the festival are:

Chile, Iran, Taiwan, Croatia, Ecuador,

India, Spain, Thailand, USA,

Films Made by Bangladeshi Children, Young Talent Award, Social Film Award, International Competition and Bangladesh Panorama. There are also a number of awards

in the international category: Best Film, Best Director and Best Short Film for international category. And for Bangladeshi children there are Best Film, 2nd Best Film, 3rd Best Film and two Special Awards.

Besides film screening, a seminar, two workshops and two interactive sessions with prominent guests are also a part of the festival.

The concluding and award giving ceremony will take place at the main hall of National Museum on January 29.

Bollywood leading ladies pack some punches

PALLAB BHATTACHARYA, New Delhi

Used to watching Bollywood heroines on screen singing and dancing around trees? Take a break. You will now see them in action-oriented roles smashing the baddies.

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Several leading ladies of Hindi commercial cinema will be packing some punches in their high-octane action movies lined up for release in the coming months.

B-town heroines like Priyanka Chopra,

Sonakshi Sinha, Jacqueline Fernandez, Lisa Ray and newcomer Ritika Singh will be up against bad guys in action films.

In Prakash Jha's "Jai Gangaajal" Priyanka Chopra plays the role of a police officer. The action drama is a follow-up to 2003 hit film "Gangaajal" starring Ajay Devgn.

"It's a great time for us ...it feels fantastic. Audiences are open to see different kind of content on screen and it is proved with films like 'Mary Kom'. It is indication that things are headed in the right direction and people are open to watch heroines hitting up people," according to Priyanka.





Actresses like Sonakshi (left) and Priyanka are breaking out of the stereotypical Bollywood heroine.

Actress Sonakshi Sinha's next two films "Akira" and "Force 2" are action films and she enjoyed doing it on screen.

"I play a RAW agent in 'Force 2'. I have done action films with the biggest heroes. I have just learnt from them. I believe from

learning from experience as those experiences have prepared me to do a film like 'Akira' and 'Force 2'. It was a great experience, it challenged me...pushed my limits," she said.

Sonakshi also believes in doing her own

stunts. "I like doing my own stunt. I do my own stunts excepts something that I am incapable of doing or is dangerous. There are a few situations where we use a professional for doing action scenes," Sonakshi said. "I have been trained enough for 'Akira'

to do my stunts and that training helped me in doing 'Force 2'. I have injured myself so many times but one has to be careful every time," she said.

Jacqueline will be seen in action film "Dishoom" alongside John Abraham and Varun Dhawan. "I am part of the scenario. I get to do some action," she added.

Ritika Singh is making her debut in Hindi film industry with R Madhavan's "Saala Khadoos". The film features Madhavan in the leading role as a boxing coach, with Ritika as an aspiring boxer. The sports drama directed by Sudha Kongara, releases on January 29.

Actress Lisa Ray will also be seen doing action in "Ishq Forever". "I am so excited to play a strong, action-oriented woman on screen," she adds. "Ishq Forever" is an upcoming romantic drama musical film directed by Sameer Sippy. The film is slated to release in January.

Anushka Sharma has also recently been signed to play a wrestler in "Sultan" that stars Salman Khan in the lead.