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# I like wasting time on Facebook on the weekend ... Purnima

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Once Dhallywood heartthrob, Purnima grabbed popular attention with her hit films. But she's ventured into TV plays of late and emerged as a grand success on that front too. So just what does Purnima do when she's not working? The Daily Star spoke to the actress to discover:  
"A day off means no work stress and freedom from a punishing schedule. I like to relax with my friends and family on holidays and weekends  
"I enjoy listening to music and watching movies.

Shakila Zafar and Samina Chowdhury are my favourite singers. Sometimes I enjoy my own films if they are on air. Besides this, I like to catch up with my Facebook friends.  
"On weekends, I often go to a place near Bashundhara R/A. There is a large field where I take my baby for a stroll.  
"I've visited a number of places with my family at home and abroad on weekends.  
I love going to the sea side. On weekends I feast on my special cuisine. However, I will let you in on a little secret: You will always find chips in my home."

# WATER RHYMES-3 at Galleri Kaya

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A group watercolour exhibition titled "Water Rhymes-3", featuring works of 10 promising artists is on at Galleri Kaya, Uttara, Dhaka. The featured artists at the exhibition are Karu Titas, Anisuzzaman, Shohag Parvez, Gopal Chandra Saha, Md. Kamruzzoha, Shahanoor Mamun, Didarul Hossain Limon, Soikat Hossain, Arafat Karim and Shaik Faizur Rahman.

The artists have predominantly depicted landscapes and the scenic natural beauty of Bangladesh. Karu Titas' work "My Beautiful Bangladesh-38" depicts buffalo and ox driven carts crossing a small river. The riverbed with background greenery engages with its nostalgic view of idyllic Bengal. Anisuzzaman's watercolour "Verses written through water-41" portrays huts, boats and green paddy fields on the sands of Jamuna River.

Gopal Chandra Saha has delineated an eye catching portrait of Tagore. The oriental line-based work is also evocative of calligraphy, featuring the text of the bard. Shahanoor Mamun's work "Boat, Sundarban", Shohag Parvez's work "Chaktai Khal, Chittagong" and Arafat Karim's watercolour "Rajbari Railway Station" are fine example of realistic arts.  
The exhibition was inaugurated on April 16 and will continue till April 27.



A watercolour by Md. Kamruzzoha.

# Celebrations of "Shakespeare Lives" DU Theatre Department and British Council collaborate

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As part of William Shakespeare's 400th death anniversary celebration, Theatre and Performance Studies Department of Dhaka University have teamed up with British Council Bangladesh for theatre production "Shakespeare Shoptok".



The production will be staged on April 23 and 24 at British Council in the capital as part of global celebration programme 'Shakespeare Lives'.

The production, which combines 11 scenes from seven plays by the bard, will be performed by third year students of Theatre and Performance Studies under the direction of the department's chair and promising theatre director Sudip Chakroborty.

"Shakespeare Shoptok" combines seven classic tragedies and comedies—"Macbeth", "Hamlet", "Othello", "Romeo and Juliet", "Taming of the Shrew", "A Midsummer Night's Dream" and "As You Like It". Eighteen students of the department will be performing in the production.

Sudip Chakroborty said, "Theatre Department and British Council decided to celebrate Shakespeare at DU. We included the production in our syllabus."

"We selected soliloquies and duos to present Shakespeare in a new light. We are calling it Shakespeare Lives in Dhaka University," Sudip added.

The sets, lights, costumes and props have been designed by the performers. Students of the department are busy with demanding rehearsal sessions.

# LISA RAY shot "Veerappan" with fractured toe

Ram Gopal Varma's upcoming film "Veerappan" has Lisa Ray in an important role in a de-glam avatar. The actress, who is currently shooting for the movie, was spotted at the trailer launch of the movie but with her foot in a cast! When asked about it, Lisa revealed that she had hurt herself while shooting for a scene, which required her to maneuver a two-wheeler.

The actress told a daily, "I am always open to challenges. During the shoot, I was supposed to take a turn. The first shot was filmed perfectly, but during a retake, when I had my co-star sitting behind me and I should have been more careful, I accelerated, which made me lose control. Since the bike would have ended up in a pond, I jumped off. Luckily, my co-star was unhurt or I would have been guilty about the same."



In spite of hurting herself during the shot, Lisa had no idea that she had fractured her toe. It was only when she was in Hong Kong a couple of weeks ago that she had an X-ray taken to determine the excruciating pain. It was then that the fracture was confirmed. Although instructed by her doctor to take it easy, Lisa has decided to continue shooting. "I shot with a fractured toe, but it's all worth it as the trailer is being received well," she added.

Source: TNN

# WOLVERINE 3 might add X-23 to the cast

After Hugh Jackman decides to hang it up as Wolverine, Fox is going to have to face a major decision on what to do next. The character is too valuable to lie fallow, and yet fans have glommed on so much to Jackman's interpretation that it's going to be a major hurdle to get them on board with a new actor in the role. So if recasting is easier said than done, why not follow the route of the comics and reposition the entire character?

Fox may do just that if a new rumour from SuperHeroHype is to be believed. According to SHH, X-23, the mutant who took over for Wolverine after Wolverine died in the comics, is going to be in "Wolverine 3", Jackman's final film as the clawed mutant.

For those who are unfamiliar with the character, X-23 is a clone of Logan/Wolverine. She gets her name

because the first twenty-two experiments to clone Logan failed. She has all of his powers and abilities except she only has two claws on each hand, but she gets a claw coming out of each foot.

If X-23 (later named Laura Kinney) is in the movie, it could be a clever way to pass the torch to a character that could easily crossover into not only X-Men, but she would also fit into New Mutants or even X-Force.

Plot details are still scarce on "Wolverine 3", which will be directed by James Mangold from a script by David James Kelly. Patrick Stewart will return to play Professor X and Boyd Holbrook was recently tapped to play the villain. The film is slated to open March 3, 2017.

Source: Collider

