

GRAPE VINE

The Unconventional Launch of **UNCAGED**

25th August marked a milestone in the career of young Xefer Rahman. Her album, *Uncaged*, launched at Star Cineplex and it was met with great response from the attendees of the launching ceremony. The venue was adorned with unconventional aesthetics, with an actual cage placed as décor to complement the event. Throughout the launching ceremony, many famous faces of the musical fraternity were seen supporting her which included the likes of Shafin Ahmed, Hamin Ahmed, Mark Don, Shishir Ahmed, Samir Hafiz and many others. "I am overwhelmed by the support I have received", Xefer said to Star Showbiz, "and we are working our hardest so that the album is available everywhere. This is a culmination of almost three years of hard work". The album was produced by Nagib Hawk under the label of Jadughor.



OSTHIR SOMOY SHOSTIR GOLPO brings upcoming Directors to the Limelight

In a praiseworthy initiative taken by Amitabh Reza Chowdhury and Mezbaur Rahman Sumon, *Osthir Somoy Shostir Golpo* gave the floor to many young directors to showcase their talent in the Eid Special television series. In case you missed it, the series can be found on the website

of Bioscope and is completely free to watch. One of the directors of the series is Nuhash Humayun, the son of the legendary Humayun Ahmed. Nuhash's fiction *Hotel Albatross* was the first TV Drama of the series and was received very well by the audience.

The King of Dhaliwood Returns with Two New Films

It really isn't possible to imagine Eid without a new Shakib Khan movie. Aptly named 'The King of Dhaliwood', Shakib Khan graces us with entertainment galore and every Eid marks the release of a new film of his. This Eid-ul-Azha was definitely no exception. Two of his newest films, *Rangbaaz* and *Ohongkar*, have been released last Saturday. *Rangbaaz* has been directed by Shamim Ahamed Roni and Abdul Mannan, and features Bubly as Shakib's co-star. Directed by Shahadat Hossain Liton, *Ohongkar* also features Bubly alongside Shakib Khan. Shakib seems to be back in a roll, starring in the action-romance movies we know him the best for.

