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Metal band releases first album

One of Dhaka's most powerful metal bands -- Sacrilege -- has released their first EP-- Vices on Speed, on Friday, October 13. The band is a quartet consisting of Arif Sadab Khan on guitars and bass, Saquib Ahmed on drums, Arif Islam on vocals, and Turzo Hasan on bass.

Founded in 2012, the band has created a different yet exceptionally distinct taste of metal. The thrash and heavy metal collide while excavating influence from genres such as jazz, blues, rock 'n' roll and progressive rock to create a smashing and heavily daunting blend.

For more on their recent activities, visit <https://www.facebook.com/Sacrilegebd/>



NEWS FLASH

A Runway with a difference

While fashion weeks are wrapping up all over the couture savvy side of the globe, this week on October 10, Tuesday, East London had a very different show to look forward to. ActionAid put forward a fashion show with eight acid attack survivors from Bangladesh walking the ramp.

At 7pm London time, Farah Kabir, Country Director of ActionAid Bangladesh, opened the event with her promise of a different evening. Acid attacks, one of the most heinous crimes, cannot daunt the strength and inner beauty of the survivors-- is what the show aimed to project.

Farah Kabir introduced Nahar, one of the survivors and participants of the show, who has played a key role in establishing the ActionAid network for acid survivors styled 'Setu Bandhan Gori.' Nahar has been with ActionAid Bangladesh for the last twelve years and has constantly worked with other survivors to reach for the better side of life.

Before the survivors took the runway, voices of survivors and their statements were presented to the audience. It should be noted that the the voices were from individuals who had stories of their trauma including FGM, rape as well as the focus of the day.

The runway opened with 15-year-old Sonali, who was left burned and scarred when an intruder threw the corrosive liquid into her family home when she was just 17 days old. The highlight of the show was how

jovially two of the survivors-- Nahar(already introduced) and Ganga danced during the show. The upbeat folk music even drew in the attendees and the runway turned into a dancefloor!

ActionAid UK's Chief Executive Officer, Girish Menon, applauded this energized ambience. He mentioned Bangladesh's acid regulation legislation made in 2002 as a step towards abolishing oppression of women, and the inherent violence. While the report of acid attacks in Bangladesh has dropped from 400 per year to 100 a year, Menon strongly voiced that even one attack

was one too many.

The show ended with wholehearted cheer and applause from the crowds as Bibi Russell was welcomed to the runway as the creative thought and choreographer behind the show. For hair and make-up, Farzana Shakil was greeted alongside the survivors.

The core message of the show was that life was not over for the survivors. And there should never be any shame in living life after the incident. The fashion show stood as a contrast to the shame that the survivors are imposed with and showed them at their most confident.

The fashion show was livecast on Facebook. Viewers and interested people are encouraged to view the video from <https://www.facebook.com/actionaiduk> and spread its worthy message.

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Photo courtesy: Refinery29



Puppet festival held

The Fresh Full Cream Milk Powder Inventors' Puppet Festival 2017 took place at Bangladesh Mohila Samity Auditorium on Bailey Road on October 6. The two-day event hosted shows by Puppet Theatre Research and Development Centre of Bangladesh and Dhaka Puppet Theatre on the first day. Puppet group Jol Putul and Inventors Puppet were the two performers on the second day of the festival.

Children who attended the shows were given gifts during intervals on both days. Many renowned personalities were present during this event including popular writer professor- Dr Muhammad Zafar Iqbal, cartoonist and editor of Unmad- Ahsan Habib, media personality Sharmin Lucky, to name a few.

Wedding offer from Le Méridien

For the upcoming wedding season, Le Méridien Dhaka has introduced 'Platinum Wedding' package and 'Diamond Wedding' package.

For the 'Platinum Wedding' package there will be a complementary accommodation for the couple in a deluxe room with buffet breakfast as well as late checkout facilities. The 'Diamond wedding' package includes a lucrative offer of a one-night accommodation for the couple with buffet breakfast at any participating Starwood resort worldwide as well as other 5-star standard international hotels around the world.

The offers are applicable for any event held in Grand Ballroom, Sky Ballroom or Infinity Ballroom at Le Méridien Dhaka.

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Jawed Habib comes to Uttara

Globally acclaimed hair stylist Jawed Habib has opened up shop at The JawedHabib@Swapno Beauty Care in Uttara. The grand opening took place on October 12. Located at a convenient location in Uttara, it boasts of a lavish setting with 6,400 square meters of wonderfully ornamented space, spreading across two large floors.

Jawed Habib will be coming every two months to offer his expert services. He will also bring in trainers to train the local service providers. Attractive discounts are also being offered for the clientele that includes 35 percent off on all general services up to October 18 for all, with a year round 25 percent price cut for students.