

HOROSCOPE



ARIES (MAR. 21-APRIL 20)

Try not to overindulge. Avoid feeding more fuel for the fire. Take time to re-evaluate your motives regarding friendships. Your lucky day this week will be Friday.



TAURUS (APR. 21-MAY 21)

Learn to draw borders. Romantic relationships will flourish. Uncertainties about your personal life are probable. Your lucky day this week will be Tuesday.



GEMINI (MAY 22-JUNE 21)

Get involved in physical activities that stimulate you. You will attract attention with your unique and innovative ideas. Your lucky day this week will be Sunday.



CANCER (JUNE 22-JULY 22)

Empty promises are evident. Do not take on additional responsibilities. Make changes regarding your career expectations. Your lucky day this week will be Sunday.



LEO (JULY 23-AUG 22)

Travel will be to your advantage. Emotional matters may not be easy for you to handle. Residential moves may not be ideal. Your lucky day this week will be Thursday.



VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 23)

Trouble could start brewing at work. You will be in the mood to socialise. Try not to act out on anger. Your lucky day this week will be Tuesday.



LIBRA (SEPT. 24-OCT. 23)

Spend some quality time with your lover. Don't make inaccurate assessments regarding yourself. Your lucky day this week will be Thursday.



SCORPIO (OCT. 24-NOV. 21)

Catch up on all pending work. Don't let your emotions get the better of you. Your lucky day this week will be Sunday.



SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

Make sure to clear all misunderstandings. Overindulgence could be a problem this week. Sort out problems in the family. Your lucky day this week will be Sunday.



CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 20)

Control your anger. Lack of funds may add stress. Don't lose yourself to revenge. Your lucky day this week will be Sunday.



AQUARIUS (JAN. 21-FEB. 19)

Try to commit to your relationship. Financial investments that deal with joint money can be extremely prosperous. Your lucky day this week will be Tuesday.



PISCES (FEB. 20-MARCH. 20)

Mingle with people who can inspire enthusiasm in you. Make plans to go out. Your depressed mood has been hard to shake. Your lucky day this week will be Friday.

THANK GOD IT'S FRIDAY

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POP SHOP

Date: Friday, 19 January

Time: 11 AM - 9 PM

Venue: Cuppa Coffee Lounge, Gulshan 2 Circle, Dhaka

As promised, ToyCon BD brings you Pop Shop, an initiative brought to life where countless vendors will sell their merchandise under one roof, one Friday every month. Browse and shop for all your favourite action figures, T-shirts, hoodies, statues, wallets and other products that define pop culture. This Friday, a part of Cuppa Coffee Lounge will become an open market place where you can shop for the newest products on offer.

The event is open for all.

FAIHAM EBNA SHARIF PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION

Date: Friday, 19 January to Friday, 26 January

Venue: La Galerie, Alliance Francaise

With the success of the Opium Wars, the East India Company followed by other sterling companies, set up tea business in the colonies. Today, tea is the second most consumed beverage in the world, after water.

Mass migration of labour and social division were among the key factors to introduce an 'enclave economy' within the tea estates, which still exist in the post-colonial years. British management system, credit and auction facilities in the pre-and post-production period, estate rules along with its own rituals, and a quasi-trade union which best serves the interests of the owners — all are still present in the 162 tea gardens in Bangladesh, which employ approximately half a million permanent, contractual and seasonal labourers.

The ghost of the centuries-old feudal structure is still evident in these so-called estates as a form of master-slave relation. With Tk 85 a day (just over US\$ 1) or less,



the workers have little access to education, accommodation, healthcare, sanitation, workplace safety. Gender discrimination is also rampant. All such exploitation complements a theoretical framework that produces the cheapest labour in the global economy.

History of colonialism in Bangladesh chronicles an extensive account of plantation economies of cotton, indigo, rubber, sugar, tea, and other crops like tobacco. The exploitative and abusive nature of labour underpinning the whole practice and the futility of growing indigo and sugar pushed the British colonialists to establish tea production in the Indian subcontinent.

In this photography exhibition Faiham Ebna Sharif's camera bears witness to the lives and struggles of the workers in the plantations.

EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE FOR SUCCESS

Date: Saturday, January 20

Time: 4 PM - 7 PM

Venue: EMK Center, Midas Center Building (9th Floor) House #5, Road #6, Dhanmondi, Dhaka

Emotional Intelligence is the ability to

identify our emotions, learn to manage them, understand the emotions and needs of others, and develop good interpersonal relationships with people. Developing your Emotional Intelligence can help you become more successful in personal, professional and academic life, as it can help to understand your strengths and weaknesses, identify the needs and desires of others, and develop strong interpersonal relationships with others at work and at schools.

To help you develop this important soft skill, Mind Mechanics is going to conduct its next workshop on Emotional Intelligence on 20 January.

Upon completion of the workshop you will get self-assessment result of how good you are at understanding your own emotions and those of others. Develop an action plan to improve in these areas in order to make yourself more employable and effective at workplace and at school.

Certificates (upon full attendance).

Light refreshments will be provided.

Registration is must:

<https://goo.gl/forms/1J8FieTho2SMP4OA2>

Registration fee: Tk 500 (Last date of registration: 17 January, 2018).

CHECK IT OUT

Sturdy and fashionable bags from Max Bag



Any travel is incomplete without a durable bag to haul all the essentials. Max Bag, a bag brand imported from China, is here to answer the carrying needs of the people. Considering the various needs of Bangladeshis, Max Bag's backpacks, school bags, travel bags, laptop bags and many other varieties are available in attractive designs. All bags are sold at the same fixed price across Bangladesh with three years after sales service. Prices range from Tk 500 to Tk 11,000.

Max Bag outlets are also in Sylhet, Khulna and Chittagong as well as in Dhaka.

Aside from the outlets, buyers can shop online and avail free home delivery.

You can shop online by visiting <http://maxbagworld.com>

For any information related to Max Bag, you can call the 24-hour hotline at 09613300400

Also, checkout www.facebook.com/maxbagworld for their latest products and offers.

CORRIGENDUM

Volume #17, Issue #30 of Star Lifestyle, dated January 9, 2018 ran a Special Feature, Rena Effendi's *Bangladeshi Weddings*. The interview inadvertently missed to highlight the role of Zara Rahim, Communications Director at American Vogue; Zara was also not credited for a photograph that she had taken.

After the interview was taken, photographer Rena Effendi visited other weddings, the total being seven instead of five, stated in the article. We would also like to state that the other images accompanying the article are from the Star Lifestyle Archive, and social media.

The online version of this article has been updated to include the aforementioned information. We sincerely regret any inconvenience caused.