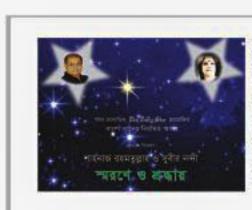
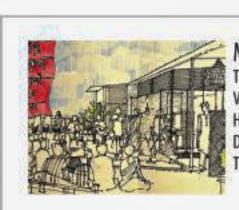
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Star Melodies' Musical Title: Shahnaz Rahmatullah & Subir Nandi – Shorone O Srodhai Venue: The Daily Star Centre Date: June 15 Time: 6:30 pm



**Exhibition** Title: Mukhosher Aaraley Venue: Drik Gallery, Dhanmondi Date: July 12 - 14 Time: 3 pm - 8 pm



Music Festival lītle: Rabindra- Nazrul Jonmojayanti Venue: Bangladesh School of Harmony, Indira Road Date: June 21 Time: 4:30 pm - 7:30 pm



Concert Title: Rushlan's Acoustic Night Venue: Counter Culture Club, Dhanmondi Date: June 14 Entry: BDT300 Time: 4:30 pm onwards









**Aupee Karim** 

Safa Kabir

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# A joyous Eid for the stars – Part ii

SADI MOHAMMAD SHAHNEWAZ

Everyone looks forward to spending some quality time with loved ones on Eid and the artistes of the showbiz industry are no different. Amidst their holidays, some of the brightest female stars of the industry talked to The Daily Star about how they are spending their time.

Aupee Karim, besides being one of the most revered actors of our time, is also an accomplished architect. She is a faculty member in the School of Architecture in American International University Bangladesh (AIUB). "I am currently in Japan," she says, "so, I could not spend Eid with my family, like I do traditionally. I am excited about visiting projects by one of the most legendary architects of the world, Kengo Kuma." However, the actor has acted in Eid projects, of which she had the opportunity to watch the Ashfaque Nipun directorial, Miss Shiuli.

"It is a great telefilm, and I recommend it to everyone," she adds. Even though television star Rafiath Rashid Mithila did not star in any television projects this time, her music video with her cousin and ace singer Arnob, Ki Hole Ki Hoto, released on the occasion of Eid, and received an overwhelmingly positive response from the audience. "I usually spend Eid with my cousins," says Mithila. "I had to give away a lot of salami this time, but my daughter received a lot as well!"

Safa Kabir is one of the busiest actors during the Eid season, and one of the most prominent young stars in the industry. "Even though the rain was a bit of a let-down, it ultimately did not affect me as much because most of my immediate family live in the same building," she says. "Even though I did not get a chance to watch any of my telefilms, I am very happy about the response I got for Generation Gap, Miss Shiuli and Kabul. I will watch them as soon as they are uploaded on

YouTube."

Rising star Naziba Basher has worked on a brand new web series this Eid, Money Honey, besides some well received television advertisements.

"I used this vacation for some muchneeded rest," says the actor. "I also spent time with my cats, Jojo and Junior. I watched Money Honey on Bioscope, and I would recommend it to everyone! I loved playing the character of ASP Maria Gomes."

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## Konal on fire with 'Agun Lagailo'

SHABABA IQBAL

Since her Channel i Shera Kontho days, Somnur Monir Konal has been taking Bangladesh's music industry by storm. Recently, the celebrated singer collaborated with Kolkata-based music director and singer Lincon for the song, 'Agun Lagailo', from the Malek Afsary film, 'Password,' starring Shakib Khan and Bubly. The song was well received by the audience upon its release. Konal opens up about making the song, her views on the music faternity and more.

How did you come across the song, 'Agun Lagailo'?

Usually, I sing melodious, romantic numbers, so, getting to work on a party song like Agun Lagailo was a bit nerve-wrecking for me. Party songs require a certain level of energy and panache. I am truly grateful to Shakib Khan, the lead actor and the producer of Password, for having faith in me and for giving me the opportunity to try something new.

How do you feel about the success of the song? Ever since the release, I have been bombarded with videos of my fans

and well-wishers on social media, in

which they were singing and dancing

to the song. I am delighted to see that

the audience is appreciating Agun Lagailo. It is an unexpected hit. Who are some of your inspirations

in the music industry?

I am inspired by every musician in the industry because I believe that they have all worked really hard to reach great heights in their respective careers. But if you want me to name a few artistes, Elita Apu, Kona Apu and Bappa *Da* are three people who inspire me the most.

What were your plans for Eid-ul-Fitr this year?

I was at home on Eid, mainly because of the rain. I watched several television shows and spent time with my close friends. I am also looking forward to watching Password soon.

### **EID TV SHOWS**



'Neel Tarar Golpo' will air today on Channel 9 at 9 pm. Directed by B U Shuvo, the tele-fiction stars Apurba, Lamia and Pappu, amongst others.



Written and directed by Abu Hayat Mahmud, Channel i is scheduled to broadcast the telefilm 'Hashir Patro' today at 2:30 pm. The telefilm features actors Chanchal Chowdhury, Nadia Ahmed, Kochi Khondokar and others.



The Eid special TV serial 'Sky Man' will air today, at 6:20 pm on Nagorik TV. Starring Shajal, Ishana, Mahmudul Islam Mithu and others, the serial is written and directed by Mrittik Miraj.



The sixth episode of the Eid TV serial 'Jhogra Cholchey' will be telecast today on SA TV at 9:30 pm. Starring Shajal, Nadia Nodi, Tasnuva Tisha among others, the serial is directed by Nazmul Rony.



# Two-day photography exhibition at Barishal

SUSHANTA GHOSH, from Barishal

A two-day photography exhibition, Life in the Frame, started at Ashwini Kumar Hall yesterday. Barishal Photography Club (BPC) organised the exhibition, where 106 photos of 82 photographers are on display. Ram Chandra Das, Divisional Commissioner, Barishal, inaugurated the programme and Deputy Commissioner SM Ajior Rahman was present as the special guest.