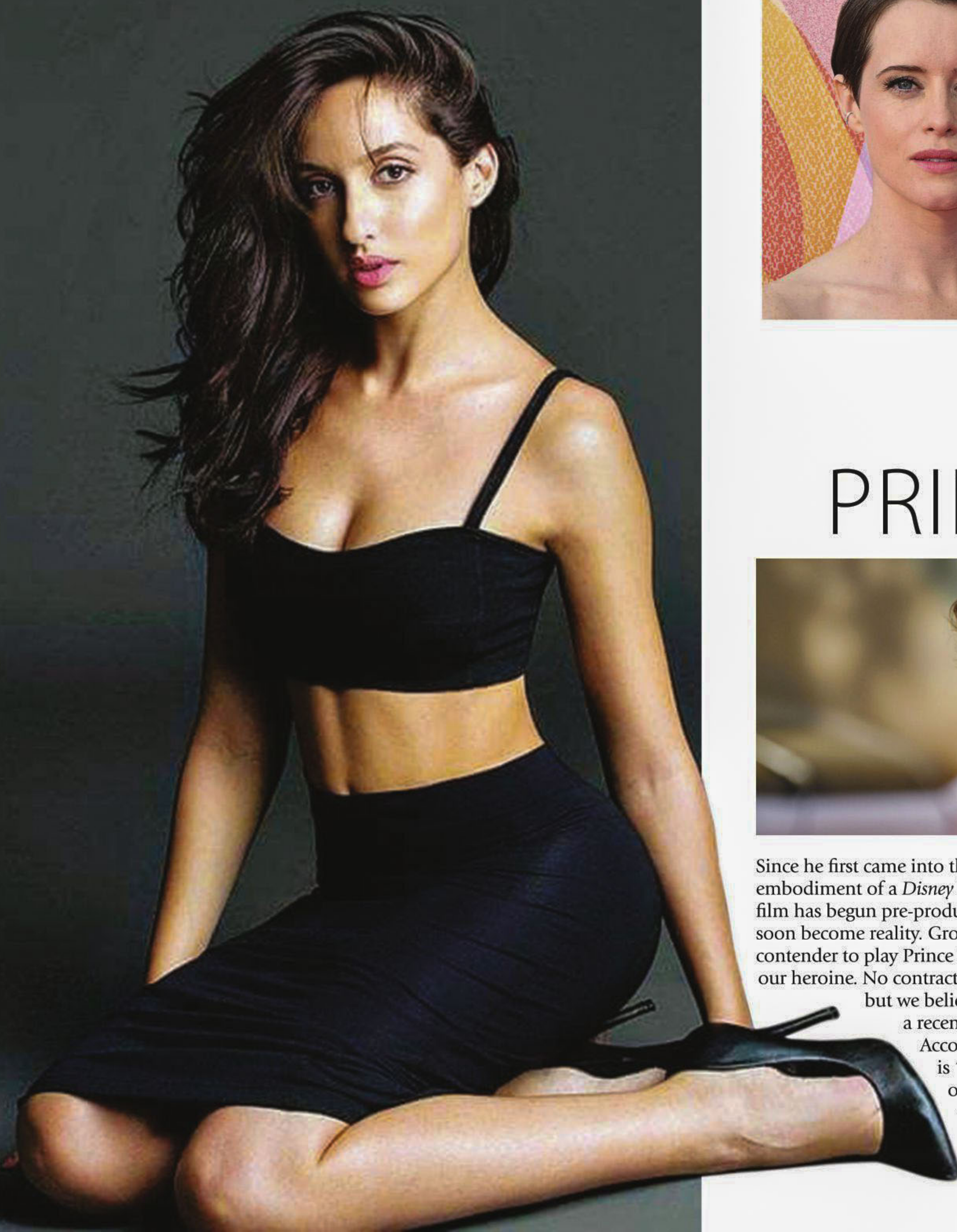


Nora's struggles

In a recent interview with *Pinkvilla*, actor Nora Fatehi revealed how many casting agencies had made her life difficult when she first joined the film industry. The actor, who is originally from Canada, had to face language barrier when her career began, and many casting agents bullied her for that. She said, "I started learning Hindi but the auditions were very traumatic for me. I wasn't mentally prepared and I made a fool of myself. People were unforgiving. They wouldn't just be mean; they would laugh in front of my face as if I'm some circus. They would bully me. It was humiliating. I used to cry while travelling back to my home. There was this one casting agent who once told me, 'We don't need you here. Go back'. I'll never forget that." The actor, who will next be seen in *Street Dancer 3D* alongside Varun Dhawan and Shraddha Kapoor, also revealed how her first casting agency had cheated her out of 20 lakh Rupees.

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No Waning Interest for Louis Wain

Critically acclaimed stars, Benedict Cumberbatch and Claire Foy have been roped in to play the lead roles in the upcoming biopic, *Louis Wain*. The film tells the story of the 19th-century English artist and his lifelong struggles. Claire Foy will be assuming the role of his wife, Emily Richardson, to whom his marriage was short-lived as she died of breast cancer. Throughout her illness, they had the company of an adopted kitten, which sparked Wain's affinity for drawing large-eyed cats. It is said that he may have suffered from schizophrenia later in his life. Cumberbatch recently stated, "I am thrilled by the prospect of playing the courageous, playful spirit that is Louis Wain and to be producing such a special film." Both Cumberbatch and Foy are stronger than ever from their recent success in *Avengers: Endgame* and *First Man*, respectively, and seem to be ideal for this period drama. Will Sharpe will be directing the film, in association with *StudioCanal* and *Amazon Studios*. The shooting for the film will begin on August 10, 2019.

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A NEW PRINCE HARRY



Since he first came into the spotlight, Harry Styles has, without a doubt, been the embodiment of a *Disney Prince*. Now that *Disney's The Little Mermaid* live action film has begun pre-production, what has merely been a pipedream for so long may soon become reality. Growing speculations suggest that Harry Styles is the foremost contender to play Prince Eric, alongside the beautiful, up-and-comer Halle Bailey as our heroine. No contracts have been signed and no press releases have yet been leaked, but we believe that it's only a matter of time. Sources report that during a recent screen test, Styles and Bailey had undeniable chemistry. According to *Hollywood Reporter*, the former *One Direction* member is "very interested" in this role, and he has none other than the original Prince Eric in his camp. Christopher Daniel Barnes, who played Eric in the 1989 animated film, said, "I think it's great, the guy's a rock star, actor, philanthropist, heartthrob. That's a pretty good start for a prince, right?" *The Little Mermaid* is expected to begin shooting in 2020.

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