

CHIT-CHAT

BIJORI

Can you describe yourself in three words?

I can't describe myself in just three words. But, I would say I'm emotional, sensitive, full of life and moody.

What is your favourite childhood memory?

Going to school everyday is one of my favourite memories.

If you could have any superpower, what would you choose?

I would want to have wings so that I could get to places quickly.

What are the first three items in your bucket list?

Firstly, I want my parents to be healthy. Secondly, I want to see my child grow up and build a life of her own. Lastly, I want to visit Bora Bora island someday.

If you could work with any international artist, dead or alive, who would you choose?

I would choose Tom Hanks.

What is your favourite place to visit?

When it comes to holiday destinations, I like visiting different islands. I also enjoy going to Bangkok. I love going to Australia as well, since my daughter lives there.

What is your favourite food?

I love eating all kinds of food, except the spicy ones.

What is your favourite movie of all time?

It's difficult to name a single movie, but my favourites are mostly from the thriller or comedy genres.

What do you like to do during your leisure time?

I watch movies.

If you could be any animal, what would you be?

I would either want to be a bird and fly high or a fish that lives deep in the ocean.

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Shreya Shomoyeeta



BLAST FROM THE PAST

UMRAO JAAN

DIRECTED BY: Muzaffar Ali

RELEASED ON: 1981

DID YOU KNOW: Actor Rekha's portrayal of a classical courtesan in *Umrao Jaan* in 1981 won her the *National Film Award for Best Actress*. Rekha once confessed, "After reading the script, I had a strange feeling that I had Umrao in me." In preparation for the role, Rekha, who, at the beginning of her career, did not speak Hindi, took the task of learning the finer nuances of the Urdu language. Rekha wore her own costumes and jewellery for the movie due to budget constraints.



PSYCHO

DIRECTED BY: Alfred Hitchcock

RELEASED ON: June 16, 1960

DID YOU KNOW: In order to replicate the sound of a knife entering human flesh, the crew plunged a knife into a melon for the famous shower scene. Instead of using fake blood, Alfred Hitchcock opted for chocolate syrup to get a darker tone for the screen. Walt Disney refused to allow Sir Alfred Hitchcock to film at *Disneyland* in the early 1960s.

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SONAR KELLA

DIRECTED BY: Satyajit Ray

RELEASED ON: December 27, 1974

DID YOU KNOW: The title of the film—*The Golden Fortress*—refers to a fort in Jaisalmer, Rajasthan, India, which is built from a kind of sandstone that resembles gold. Most of the film's drama unfolds in trains: first on two separate trains, both Jaipur bound, and later, on one travelling from Jodhpur to Pokhran, and another from Pokhran to Jaisalmer.

