



Mehazabien Chowdhury



Nasir Uddin Khan



Tasnia Farin

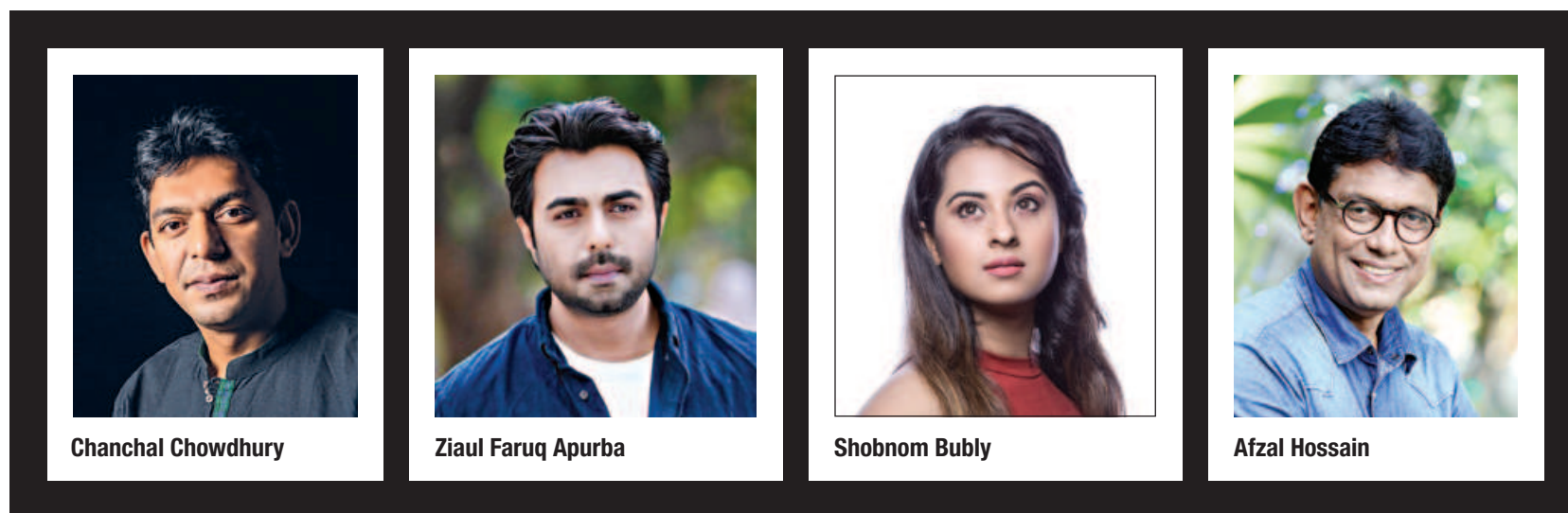


Afran Nisho

The grandest OTT extravaganza hosts its second iteration

Blender's Choice-The Daily Star OTT & Digital Content Awards today

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After the rollicking success of last year's programme, Blender's Choice-The Daily Star OTT & Digital Content Awards is back again to reward the performers of the exciting digital world.

The awards will be handed out tonight at a lavish event at the Bangabandhu International

their visions include Syed Ahmed Shawki for the first part of *Karagar*, a thrilling tale of a mysterious prisoner with seemingly unknown origins. Shihab Shaheen has told a gripping tale of crime and corruption in *Syndicate*, whereas Nuhash Humayun has taken himself to new heights with his horror series, *Pett Kata Shaw*. The ever-innovative Tanim Noor has received his much-deserved nomination for detective-thriller *Kaiser*, whereas Mohammad Touqir Islam is in the category for the gripping tale in *Shaaticup*.

Web films have also taken a step up, as Shihab Shaheen enters the fray once again with the bittersweet tale of *Mayashalik*. A master of thrillers, Vicky Zahed, has hit yet another home run with *Redrum*. Big-screen director Raihan Rafi has yet again earned his nomination with *Taan*, while Anam Biswas is in

serious contention with *Dui Diner Duniya*. *Café Desire*, a one-of-a-kind anthology film, has earned a nomination.

In the Best Actor category, Afran Nisho has two nominations for his fantastic acting in *Kaiser* and *Redrum*, whereas last year's winner Chanchal Chowdhury has bagged yet another nomination for *Karagar*. The ever-consistent Mosharraf Karim will add to the tough competition for his role in *Tin Shoroter Golpo*. Ziaul Faruq Apurba has completely reinvented himself in *Mayashalik*, earning him his first nomination in the OTT awards.

The women of OTT have brought forth some remarkable performances, with Mehazabien Chowdhury being nominated for both *Sabrina* and *Redrum*. Nazia Haque Orsha, who played the titular *Sabrina*, is

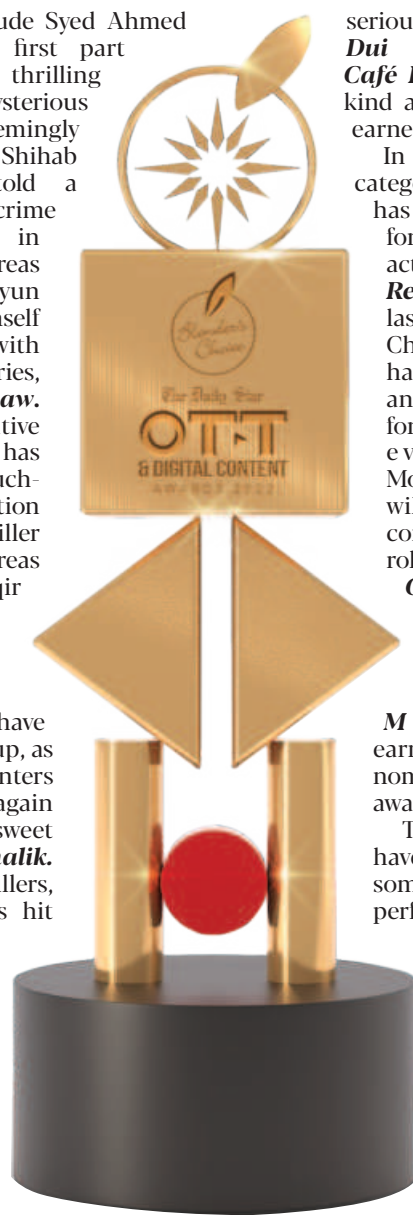
also prime entrant for this category. Dhallywood queen Shobnom Bubly completely reinvented herself for *Taan*, whereas Tasnia Farin has showed off a more mature side in *Karagar*.

Villians are all the rage in recent media, as Nasir Uddin Khan broke the mould for a negative character in *Syndicate*, with his indelible character of Allen Swapan. Imtiaz Barshon earned notoriety for his portrayal of the Barrister in *Kaiser*, whereas Shohel Mondol delivered a thrilling performance as the antagonist of *Taan*. Veteran actors Afzal Hossain and Lutfar Rahman George have earned their nominations for *Refugee* and *Kalo Projapoti*, respectively.

Actors have made themselves stand out in supporting roles as well, arguably as much as the leads themselves. Afzal Hossain (*Bodh*), Intekhab Dinar (*Karagar*), Manoj Kumar Pramanik (*Redrum*), Shatabdi Wadud (*Muntasir*) and Mustafizur Noor Imran (*Kaiser*) will contest each other in the male supporting role category, and on the other side of the coin are Farzana Chobi (*Taan*), Sallha Khanam Nadia (*Redrum*), Tropa Majumdar (*9 April*), Tania Brishty and Tanvin Sweetie (*Dui Diner Duniya*).

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Conference Centre (BICC), in the Hall of Fame, from 5 pm onwards. It will be stars galore as 28 awards will be handed out, from which 14 are for Film/Drama/Story, 4 for Music, 4 Critics awards and 6 for content creators.

The captains of the ship, directors who have been nominated for



Naziba Basher



Masha Islam



Sallha Khanam Nadia



Sarah Alam



Mosharraf Karim



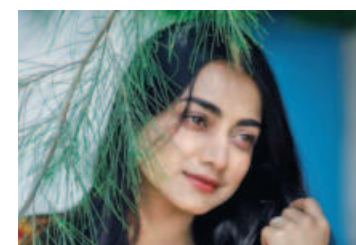
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