

Rashmika Mandanna To Return As Presenter At Anime Awards 2026 Alongside The Weeknd



Actress Rashmika Mandanna will be returning to the 10th Global Anime Awards as a presenter, set to be held in Tokyo, Japan on May 23, 2026. She made history as the first Indian to present an award at the 2024 Anime Awards in Tokyo on March 2, 2024. The global ceremony, which honours excellence in anime across categories, will see Rashmika join an esteemed lineup of international presenters, including global music sensation The Weeknd. Her presence marks a significant moment for Indian representation at a platform that celebrates storytelling, creativity, and the ever-growing global in-

fluence of anime culture.

It will be especially exciting to see Rashmika Mandanna and The Weeknd share the stage as presenters, bringing together two massive global fan bases. Their combined presence is expected to add a unique energy to the ceremony, blending the worlds of cinema and music on an international platform and creating a memorable moment for audiences worldwide. Needless to say, Rashmika's fans were thrilled after she was announced as one of the presenters.

Rashmika Mandanna has carved a unique space for herself as a true pan-India phenomenon. With a career spanning multiple industries including Telugu, Kannada, Tamil, and Hindi cinema, she has consistently delivered performances that resonate with audiences across regions. Rashmika's growing global footprint is a testament to her versatility, relatability, and massive fan following that extends far beyond In-

dian borders.

Beyond cinema, Rashmika has often expressed her fondness for anime and its imaginative storytelling. From admiring iconic characters to appreciating the depth and emotion that anime narratives bring to life, her interest in the genre aligns seamlessly with the spirit of the Anime Awards. Her association with the event not only reflects her personal passion but also highlights the increasing crossover between global entertainment industries, where artists and audiences are united by shared creative influences.

Did Rupali Ganguly Slam Alia Bhatt For Wearing A Leather Outfit At Milan Fashion Week?



Rupali Ganguly openly advocates for animal welfare and often voices her opinions, calling out those who harm voiceless beings. In her recent story, Rupali seemingly slammed Bollywood actress Alia Bhatt for wearing a leather outfit. The Anupamaa star shared a video on her Instagram story in which a man is seen questioning Alia Bhatt about her outfit choice. In the video, a person is seen calling out Alia for allegedly wearing leather made from skinned baby calves.

The video, uploaded by a person named Sai Lohith, asks a strong question to the Bollywood actress: "Is this what you support, Alia?" The video shows a man decoding Alia's appearance at Milan Fashion Week and alleging that the outfit she is wearing is made from "3-month-old baby calves and 4-month-old baby lambs."

The man in the video further says, "Your cat, Edward, how would you feel if someone murdered your son and used his skin to make bags and shoes?" He also questions the actress' "Coexist by Alia Bhatt" initiative, through which she wishes to promote harmony between humans and animals.

Rupali did not make any direct comment about Alia's look personally; however, by sharing this video on her social media account, it appears to be a subtle criticism. Considering Rupali's love for animals and how strongly she has stood against animal cruelty in the past, this re-share looks like a question she wants to ask Alia.

Rupali, in her recent chat with The Times of India, spoke about her deep affection for dogs and other animals, saying, "I always say that I have the spirit of a tigress, the soul of an elephant, and the loyalty of a

dog."

The actress further added, "I can't function without my fur babies; they keep me sane."

What's next for Alia Bhatt?

Following a break of over a year, the actress is all set to return to the big screen with the spy thriller Alpha. Directed by Shiv Rawail, it is the seventh instalment and the first female-led film in Yash Raj Films' Spy Universe. Also featuring Sharvari, Anil Kapoor, and Bobby Deol, Alpha is scheduled to hit theatres on July 10.

Kritika Kamra On Falling In Love With Gaurav Kapur: 'Never Discussed Who Fell First'

Kritika Kamra and Gaurav Kapur recently tied the knot in an intimate wedding ceremony at the latter's Mumbai residence on March 11, in the presence of their close friends and family members. Now, a month after their marriage, the actress has opened up about their love story and how she decided that he is the one.

Speaking to Miss Malini, Kritika Kamra spoke about how their relationship started with friendship and shared, "People say friendship is very important in love. I absolutely agree. It's a great feeling to be with someone who feels like your best friend."

Kritika, while dismissing the idea that opposites attract, shared, "I think you need more in common to enjoy someone's company, to live with them and understand them. Attraction doesn't always consider that, but alignment is important. Your heart and your head need to be aligned, it's not just fun and games."

"I don't know. We've never discussed who fell first. It kind of grew naturally. It started with a great friendship and instant chemistry, but the realisation that this is someone I want to be with for life took time. As the relationship evolved, that happened almost simultaneously for both of us," Kritika added, revealing that their relationship evolved over time and they never discussed who fell first.

More about Kritika and Gaurav's wedding
Kritika and Gaurav got married on March 11 in an intimate wedding setting with their families and a close circle of friends in attendance. They had a registered wedding at home. Kritika made her acting debut in 2007 with Yahan Ke Hum Sikandar. In 2009,



she played a singer, Arohi, in Kitani Mohabbat Hai opposite Karan. She was then seen in Pyaar Ka Bandhan, Kitani Mohabbat Hai 2, and Kuch Toh Log Kahenge.

Kritika Kamra on work front
In 2015, Kritika played a reporter, Ananya Kashyap, opposite Rajeev Khandelwal in Reporters. She was then seen as Princess Chandrakanta in Prem Ya Paheli - Chandrakanta. She made her film debut in 2018 with Mitron. In 2021, she played a college student, Sana, in the web series Tandav.

Ayushmann Khurrana On His Role In Pati Patni Aur Woh Do: 'I Found Prajapati To Be Clear In His Intentions'

The upcoming film Pati Patni Aur Woh Do has been generating steady interest, with its songs and teaser drawing attention ahead of the trailer release. As the film builds towards its next promotional step, the focus is now on what it brings to the screen.

Ayushmann Khurrana, who plays Prajapati Pandey in the film, recently spoke about his character and the situations he finds himself in.

Opening up on his character, Ayushmann said, "I found Prajapati to be a man who is honest and whose intentions are clean. Still, the kind of situations he finds himself in draws laughs—on the surface, it looks like this guy is having a lot of fun. However, when you watch him navigate one problem after another in this comedy of errors, you realise he never imagined his life would take such a turn. He's quite a star of the jungle, but dealing with three women in the film is a chaos he never imagined would enter his life."

The film also stars Sara Ali Khan, Wamiqa Gabbi and Rakul Preet Singh. Directed by Mudassar Aziz, it is produced by Bhushan Kumar, Renu Ravi Chopra and Krishan Kumar under T-Series Films and BR Studios. Pati Patni Aur Woh Do is scheduled to release in theatres on May 15, 2026.



About Pati Patni Aur Woh Do

The comedy-drama, starring Ayushmann Khurrana, Sara Ali Khan, Rakul Preet Singh, and Wamiqa Gabbi, is the highly anticipated sequel to the 2019 film Pati Patni Aur Woh. Last year, the makers revealed that the film would release in theatres on March 4, 2026, during Holi. However, the film's release has now been postponed. The makers have an-

nounced a new release date, sharing that Pati Patni Aur Woh Do will now hit theatres on May 15, 2026.

The film marks director Mudassar Aziz's return to the franchise after the first instalment, which featured Kartik Aaryan, Bhumi Pednekar, and Ananya Panday. This time, the story promises a fresh twist with a new ensemble and more outrageous comic situations.

Lais Ribeiro attends the "La Passion De Dodin Bouffant" red carpet during the Cannes Film Festival 2023.