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**BEAUTY**



- Photos by Mark Yuen, 24 hours

**JANICE TAN** turns her lack lustre lashes (inset) into long and luxurious eye candy with semi-permanent eyelash extensions from the Noir Lash Lounge in Yaletown.

**HOLIDAY WINDOW DRESSING**

# Longing for luscious lashes?

Guys, if you notice more lovelies than usual batting their lashes in your general direction this soirée season, don't take it to heart.

They're probably just testing out the latest enhancement to take Vancouver by storm – semi-permanent eyelash extensions.

Joyce Cajucom runs Noir Lash Lounge out of Blo Blow Dry Bar in Yaletown and is booked solid, making peepers party-ready.

"It makes you look refreshed. You don't look tired. Your eyes look bigger and brighter," she says.

But these aren't the old-fashioned strip lashes that fall off mid-flirt. Or even the clumps or flares that use gobbs of glue and

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stick to the skin (which can hurt and leave bald patches, says Cajucom.)

Instead, she attaches each individual polyester lash (30 to 50) to a real hair using an adhesive.

Nor are they one-size fits all. Cajucom has more than 70 styles from Perpetual Pretty (almost au naturel) to Addict for the Dramatic (will definitely get you noticed).

They're all black, however.

Even Cajucom's fairest clients won't settle for anything else.

They last four to eight weeks (though first-timers may need a few goes to get that long a wear out of them) and eventually they just flake off or fall out when the hair naturally does, every two months.

Mascara is a no-no (but it's no longer necessary) and so is smashing your face in the pillow at night, warns Cajucom.

"It does take some getting used to. You blink and you can feel it," she says.

And then of course there are all the compliments and second glances you'll have to get accustomed to.

Book your eye-opening for \$60 at [www.noirlashlounge.com](http://www.noirlashlounge.com).

- Carly Krug, 24 hours

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more than 30 retailers throw open their doors and offer 10 to 70 per cent off.

Carolers from the Gruppo Trevisani Choir will serenade shoppers, and Santa will make an appearance at The Cross from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

- Carly Krug, 24 hours