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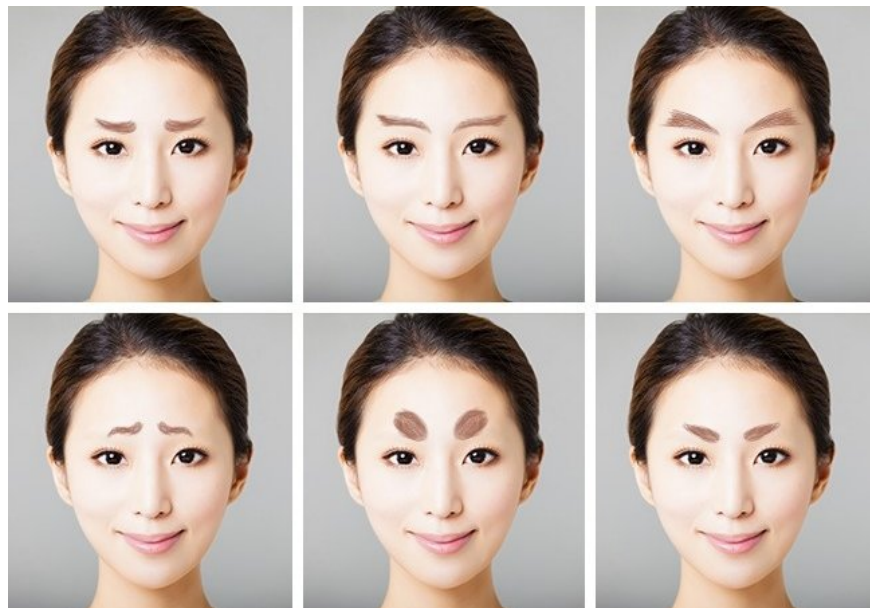
1. 15 facts show that our bodies possess divine 'esper powers'
2. 11 misconceptions about the most common human body that billions still believe
3. There is no apocalyptic Saturday but there is a reason for the whole world to worry!

Since ancient times, **beauty** is an indispensable need for women. It is for that reason that throughout the history of history has appeared no less extremely strange beauty trends that those who witnessed can "cry" up.

The concept of beauty of countries in the world is often not the same. Evidence lies in the customs of many different ethnic groups in different periods. Every age of women has different beauty movements, but those trends are somewhat odd, and make us shudder.

Of course each of us always wants to find new things and turn them into trends of the times. However, not all trends are beautiful and applicable. Let's take a look at **12 bizarre and scary fashion trends that were popular in history but still enjoy!**

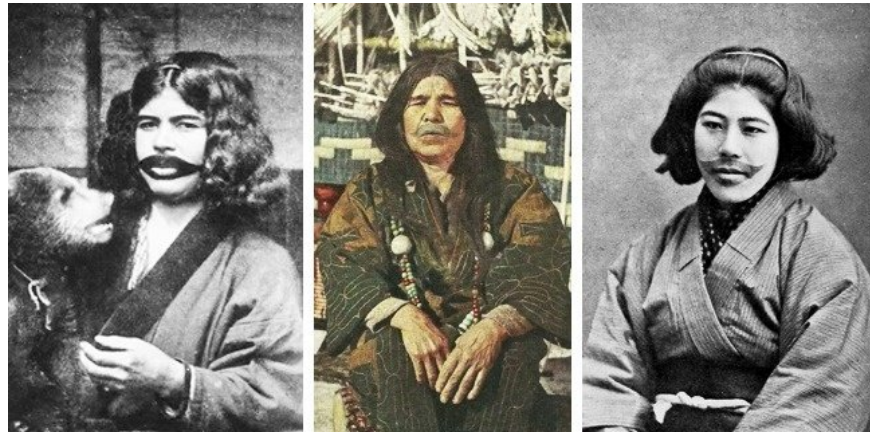
12. Strange eyebrows



On the picture is one of the eyebrows that once fascinated Chinese women from time to time. Maybe you look at them right now, but for women at the time, these eyebrows looked really fashionable. They are given extremely beautiful names such as ' *distant hills* ', ' *willow eyebrows* ' and ' *moths* '.

Perhaps our children and grandchildren later thought that the prevailing eyebrows are extremely odd now!

11. Tattoo a smile on your face



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The Ainu live on some Japanese islands and some parts of Russia. According to this trend, women tattooed their faces with a strange-looking smile, like the **smile of Joker movie character** .

The Ainu believe that this tattoo will enable them to marry and find peace in another world after death. The process of making tattoos is divided into several stages and it starts when the girl is 7 years old.

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10. Long skull





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It is interesting to discover that the long skulls of human impact are a beauty trend of many women in the world and in different periods such as the Hung, the Italian, the people Sarmatia, Mayans and some strains of people in Africa. It was even popular in France in the 20th century.

In order to change the shape of the skull, parents must head the baby tightly with a ribbon or place them in a special cradle.

9. Dyeing black teeth

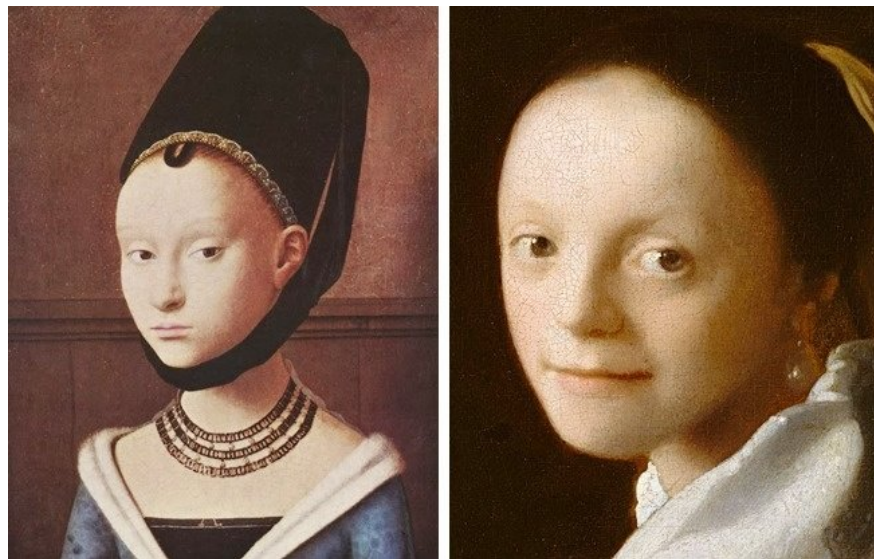


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Ohaguro is a Japanese custom of dyeing teeth and was popular in the late 19th century. This trend also appeared in Vietnam to the early 20th century. However, today, you can only see black teeth in stage plays only.

These black teeth not only have beauty functions; but also helps protect teeth and provide iron for the body. Black tooth dye contains iron and walnut Sumac mixed with acetic acid.

8. Shave eyebrows and eyelashes



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At that time, eyebrows and eyelashes were not a respected beauty in Europe, so women often shaved off their eyebrows and eyelashes.

Many researchers believe that this bizarre fashion trend may stem from **rickets** that cause hair loss. Maybe because a slender woman with a beautiful face completely without eyebrows, eyelashes made people follow and consider it a unique trend.

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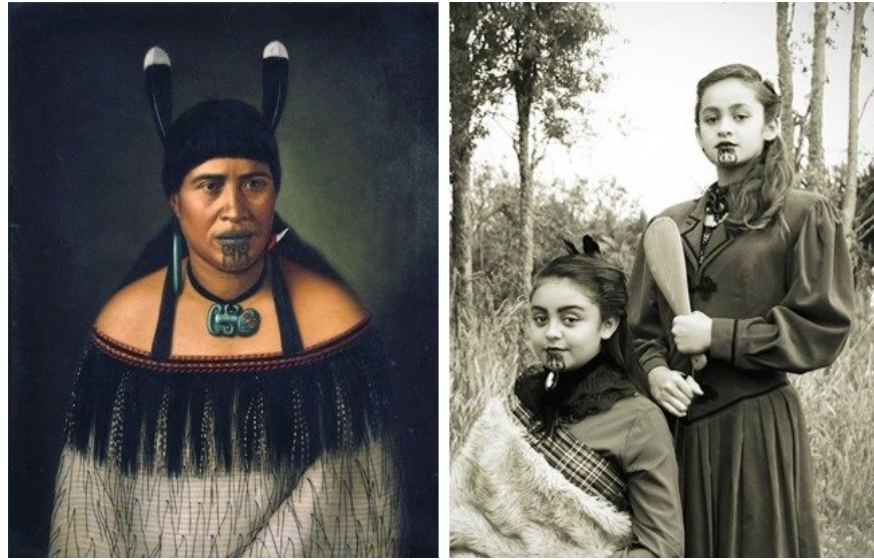
7. Long nails



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The extremely long nail in China is very fashionable. **Long nails represent wealth and idleness** (D , of course, because how can you work when wearing 'such jewelry'). They were also popular in Chinese palaces at the time. Sometimes, ancient Chinese women can attach fake nails or create jewelry-encrusted gold nail wraps to keep up with this beauty trend. Besides, people also think that through this way they can easily communicate with the gods.

6. Tattoo face, Maori



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Māori live in Oceania, always having a great love for tattoos. This trend is common in both Māori men and women. Men not only tattoo their bodies but also their faces with different motifs. Women often have tattoos on their chin, upper lip and neck.

More specifically, **Maori tattooed with knives rather than needles** as we know them. They are brave when they dare to tattoo by that way to get the desired beauty.

5. Big corn legs, Europe



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In the Middle Ages, in the 16th century, women often had to hide their legs under long skirts, and men liked to reveal their calves by wearing socks. There are less fortunate men who have to put ' *artificial calf skin* ' on their calves.

4. Pagan tattoos, Balkans



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Don't be surprised if you see a Balkan woman with tattoos on her. Ancient women of Bosnia and Croatia, Albania often tattooed the sun on their bodies. However, there are now some people who follow ancient customs, they still tattoo these symbols on the body to serve the worship.

3. Nose piercings, India



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Nose piercing is a popular way of beauty in India until now. Some women not only pierce a nose piercing, but may be many, or form a string of tips from the nose to the ear ring.

This custom was made before the girl married. The Ayurveda Medical Council has also shown that left nose piercing increases labor power and improves women's reproductive health.

2. Men's beauty contest of Wodaabe tribe, Nigeria





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Everything seemed to be the opposite of **the Wodaabe tribe** - the strange tribe of men who had beauty exams to get a wife. Wodaabe's self-made small family groups in the harsh Sahel desert, mainly in Niger. They also often appear in Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad and Nigeria.

The most important day according to the Wodaabe calendar is in September, the last month of the rainy season when people can celebrate **Gerewol festival** . After months of walking in the arid desert, Gerewol was an opportunity for them to come together to eat and dance, lasting for 7 consecutive days and nights. The location of Gerewol is kept private and only revealed a few days before it happened.

Men will have to take dance dances called Yaake, mating dance to show their strength . The female judge is the three most beautiful women of the tribe. The men involved will take about 6 hours to face makeup. They have to show their talents to show a healthy body, the team adds hats like peacock feathers to add height.

In addition, they also have to wear facial makeup in red, big and long black eyes, straight nose with white stripes to look sharper, long braids showing fertility, wealth and even white teeth.

The jury will decide the winner and **the winner can choose any woman in the tribe to marry** . If they like a married person, the woman can choose between being '*stolen* ', leaving her current husband, refusing or being able to live with both men.

Wodaabe women have all the power and freedom of sex. They can sleep with anyone they want before getting married and can have many husbands.

Criteria for evaluating men's beauty of Wodaabe include height, white teeth, white eyes, dark lips, symmetrical face. Therefore, the participants in the competition often spend a lot of time in the makeup mirror, painting to make themselves '*most beautiful*' .

1. Long hair, Dao people, China



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Women who live in Huangluo village, China often have very long hair. They only cut their hair during a ritual that started 16 years old.

There is an ancient rule that if a man sees a cut of a girl's hair, he must marry her. This rule no longer exists and women can show their hair.

Bonus: Apatani women have noses to avoid being kidnapped



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Apatani tribe lives in a small village in Ziro valley (*in Arunachal Pradesh state, India*). The women in this tribe have traditionally nosed their nose with a pair of big black buttons called a **yaping hurlo** .

Along with black tattoos on the face, this custom is considered a **ritual marking the maturity of women** . Moreover, this is also a measure for women not to be robbed by other tribes. Because this tribe once faced the danger of extinction when men from other tribes regularly kidnapped Apatani women for infatuating their beauty.

Therefore, Apatani people decided to insert special round pieces into their noses, and tattoo their faces to reduce their beauty. This really helps Apatani people escape from extinction.

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