



Lashing Out... They say eyes are the windows to our souls, so why wouldn't we do everything in our power to make them really stand out? In June, I told you about the latest craze to hit Hollywood—eyelash extensions. Since then, I've had lots of curious people ask me what I knew about the procedure, but express their fear in actually trying it themselves. Well, like any good journalist, I went into the trenches for you and had my eyelashes "permanently" extended. It IS painless, but it's definitely NOT quick, so if you're low on time and patience, this isn't for you. A "full set" took almost two hours, as the technician, Cristina, carefully and precisely applied each individual "X-treme lash" (20–30 per eye). I had a mix of blue and black lashes (the colored are the latest thing and said to reflect off the color of your eyes). The result? A surprisingly natural, more wide-eyed me, minimal mascara needed. There is some maintenance required (biweekly touch-ups are recommended), and the lashes fall out completely after 8–12 weeks. Reaction from family and friends ranged from "they are hardly noticeable" to "they look weird" to "they look really good!" Check out my "before" and "after" pics to see for yourself!

Price: \$500 for a full set, \$75–\$100 for touch-ups

Where: Butterfly Studio, 149 Fifth Avenue, Manhattan. Call (212) 253-2100 for an appointment.

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