

Satrang Participates In Los Angeles Pride Parade



Satrang's float at the Los Angeles Pride Parade and Festival.

By a Staff Reporter

LOS ANGELES — Satrang, a volunteer organization with the mission of serving the needs of the South Asian lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, queer and questioning population in Southern California, recently participated in the Los Angeles Pride Parade and Festival.

This year marked a historical first for Satrang as the organization presented its first-ever float at the parade in West Hollywood, according to a press release. The float was adorned with flags from countries in the South Asian diaspora and incorporated cultural symbols, music, dance, and costumes.

Satrang participated in the two-

day LA Pride festival with its own booth, at which it provided information about its organization and had South Asian music, decorations and free Henna tattoos for everyone by professional artist Erum Gwaduri.

Satrang's Pride committee comprised of Sri Silva, Parind Shah, Saqib Shaikh, Salman Husainy, Abhijeet Golwelkar and Vikas Sood.

Funds for the float and booth were raised by donations from community members, collections at the Ms. & Mr. Satrang event and grants received by LA IFC and Liberty Hill Foundation. Satrang was also honored with a \$500 grant from Christopher Street West Association, Inc., for its support of the South Asian LGBTIQQ community.