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"It takes a lot of courage to show your dreams to someone else." –
Erma Bombeck (American author/humorist)

Partying for a Cause + Plant sales at TTC

Here come the **ASAAP** fundraisers! Coming up first is something new and exciting that we've never tried before: fundraising inside TTC subway stations. Dates are fixed for two Fridays: May 23 and August 15 from 10:00-7:00 p.m. We will be dividing into teams of 2-3 volunteers who will partner with a board or staff member to accomplish this unique goal. Each day will be divided into two shifts of 4.5 hours each. Early shifts (10:00-2:30) will be setting up at their respective station. Later shifts (2:30-7:00) will be closing down after sales. Volunteers like YOU are always vital to the success of these fundraisers. Please e-mail me if you can be at one or both at volunteer@asaap.ca.

The second is the exciting kickoff to what promises to be a killer summer at **ASAAP!**

Everyone likes to go out and have a blast, so why not do it for a good cause (**ASAAP**)? For this *Party*, we'll be hitting a hot downtown club and mixing in wicked DJs and awesome live performances!

Turn up the heat at *Party for a Cause* coming soon from your friendly neighbourhood ASAAP!

See *Meri Kahani* and soon!

The wonderful Umbereen Inayet (**ASAAP's** own PR Coordinator) wrote a vibrant play called *Meri Kahani (My Story)* with her friend Mehreen Poonja. Using theatre as a tool for change, each kahani, or story is told through the varied perspectives of South Asian survivors of abuse – domestic violence, incest and sexual assault – to capture the diversity of experiences among South Asian women. Don't miss a spectacular night of theatre on Thursday April 24, 2008 at 7:00 at Buddies in Bad Times Theatre (12 Alexander St.). Tickets are \$20 and available from our office. All proceeds go to the Alliance for South Asian AIDS Prevention. Call us at 416-599-2727 ext. 221 or email info@asaap.ca for tickets.



The Pride Committee of ASAAP

It is Pride time once more and ASAAP is aiming for the most fabulous float in our award-winning history

Since our recent past at Pride has meant award-winning floats and marching, **ASAAP** is going to make the **BEST. FLOAT. EVER.** And to do that, we need **YOUR** help on the Pride Committee of ASAAP. Our first meeting is next Friday, April 18, 2008 from 6:00-8:00. Light refreshments will be served.

We are looking for a fabulous theme in line with Pride Toronto's theme of **Unified!** as well as float design ideas and a plan to

make this all happen.

In order to make this our best Pride ever as well, **ALL** of you and your wonderful creativity. Come by anytime within that time period if you can't make it right for 6:00! Be a part of the craziness as Ryan and Siva co-chair this delightful committee! If you are interested in volunteering and putting the float together email Ryan at: volunteer@asaap.ca.

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The long winter is OVER. Time for the warm weather fun at ASAAP!

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