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# ASAAP

## *In Touch*

*"Attempt the impossible in order to improve your work."  
Bette Davis (2-time Academy Award-winning actress)*

## Pride Committee & Condom Stuffing

Our Pride 2009 Committee is starting up as early as possible, so we can get as much advance work done as possible.

Since we had so many of you outstanding volunteers work on Pride 2008, we are hoping for more of the same this year!

Please contact Siva at [tamil.outreach@asaap.ca](mailto:tamil.outreach@asaap.ca) for details and to begin planning an introductory meeting.

ALSO, please do not forget that our next condom stuffing is taking place on **Thursday Jan. 29, 2009**. It is at the office and will be **from 4-6**.

There is plenty to be sorted so please join us in helping our condom distribution for this year get organised!

## Welcome new staff

As our MSM Outreach Coordinator heads for bigger and better things, we are pleased to welcome Rahim Thawer who will be taking over the position starting Jan. 26 for a week of training, and then working full time after that. Rahim received a B.A. in Psychology from Waterloo, and comes to us from work as MSM Peer Outreach Coordinator with ACCKWA (AIDS Committee of Cambridge, Kitchener, Waterloo, and Area) and GLOW, a Kitchener-Waterloo community centre.

Welcome aboard Rahim!



# Survey and Besharam

ASAAP is wrapping our volunteer assessment survey for the purpose of, well, assessing volunteer needs. There is a survey attached to the newsletter, or hard copies can be picked up at the office. Please fill out the surveys (takes less than 10 minutes!) and return them to our Prevention Ed Coordinator at [education@asaap.ca](mailto:education@asaap.ca). Surveys returned by 2 p.m. Jan. 30, 2009 will be entered in a draw for a \$25 gift certificate.

Besharam this month is being handled by Rahim AND Siva. It's twice the fun for all, and still needs the same number of volunteers.

Please contact me at [volunteer@asaap.ca](mailto:volunteer@asaap.ca) if you can be there on **Friday, Feb. 6. Meet them in the office at 8:30** and work Besharam at 11:30. New volunteers, please request a green t-shirt, which will be provided for you that evening.

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Slumdog Millionaire was nominated for 10 Oscars!

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