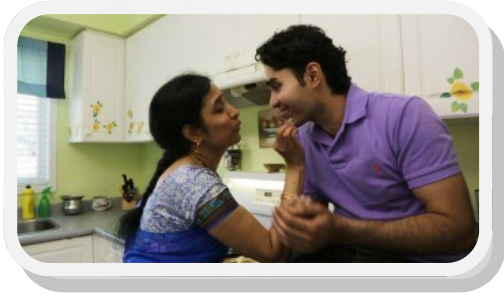


# Why Brampton director Brinda Muralidhar's Knot Not! is the Indo-Canadian film of the year



Knot Not! director Brinda Muralidhar in a scene from her film.



Director-actor Brinda Muralidhar (white saree) with her cast at the premiere of her film Knot Not!

**TORONTO:** Indo-Canadian filmmaker Brinda Muralidhar is basking in the aftermath of her debut film *Knot Not!*

Premiered in October, the film is many sub-themes rolled into one – it is about the transplantation of Indian culture in foreign lands, it is about cross-cultural conflicts in the homes of the diaspora community, it is about the rampant subjugation of the Indian wife, it is about the beauty of the Indian culture where people rally around in times of crises and finally it is about the younger Indian generation in foreign lands having its way.

## Brinda Muralidhar's family film Knot Not! gets overwhelming response at its premiere

By Renu Mehta

**BRAMPTON:** Hundreds of cinema-goers descended on Brampton's Cineplex Orion Gate Cinemas to catch a glimpse of the stars walking the red carpet and watch the world premiere of the Canadian film *Knot Not!* Directed by Indo-Canadian director Brinda Muralidhar, the movie, that explores a deep social issue with a global resonance, drew a full house, with the cast and crew in attendance.

The screening took place on October 13 at the Cineplex Orion Gates in Brampton and began with a red carpet celebrity walk and a Q&A session attended by a prominent audience mix. It was followed by a brief introduction of the director followed by the world premiere screening. A brief Q&A took place after the screening, after which the audience got the opportunity to wine and dine with the stars at the after-party.

A coming of age story of Mohan (Dilip Krishnamurthy) and his family, the film is about the young man from South India who arrives in Canada for higher studies. Soon he makes friends with Patricia Smith (Jessica Siegner) a pleasant, independent Canadian girl. All is well until Mohan's parents Srinivas and Padma arrive in Canada. Srinivas, who is a bully, wants Mohan to marry Lakshmi (Suniti Santosh) daughter of his Indo-Canadian friend, the light-hearted Bhaskar (Nat Pennathur). Lakshmi is a delightful girl who cherishes great family values. Mohan likes her, but before he embarks on his new journey, he has a major task to complete; he is yet to figure out what he wants!

*Knot Not!* is a story that needs to be told over and over again as long as marriages do happen wherever in the world!, says Brinda Muralidhar, who gives the credit of her first feature to her husband Gunny Muralidhar, also the producer and Cinematographer of the film.