

Northeast India Fest in North America

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Saptarang is a Vancouver based non-profit formed by the Northeast Community to celebrate, preserve and promote the region's rich cultural tapestry through public programs, shared stories and community-led initiatives. Canada's first North East Fest brought together over 550 people in a vibrant celebration of the eight states-alive with dance, music, traditional food and cultural showcases. A single roof in Delta, BC became a tapestry of heritage, tradition and artistry, carrying the colours and spirit of India East across Canada. The festival was attended by Honourable Consul general of India in Vancouver, Mr. Masakui Rungsung, the Hon, MP of Surrey -Newton, Mr. Sukh Dhaliwal, the Honourable Mayor of Delta Mr. George V Harivie, the Honourable MLA for Surrey-Fleetwood, Mr. Jagrup Brar.

The guests experienced traditional dance, folk music and cultural performances celebrating unity and artistry of the Northeast. It depicted the unique mosaic of colourful cultures and traditions which the seven sister states and brother state Sikkim represent! The occasion was graced with breathtaking performances from each state of the region, ranging from Mizo bamboo dance, widely known as Cheraw, to Assam's major classical dance form of Sattriya, and Manipuri dance. Also, viewers were fortunate to witness the mesmerizing mask dance of Arunachal Pradesh and last but not the least our beloved Husori dance by our Vancouver's Assamese community to cheer up all.

