Not Your Butter Chicken: Film screening & director Q&A

This is an in-person event

Date October 8, 2025

Time 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Location Third floor program room

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As part of Culture Days, join us for a screening of the new documentary series Not Your Butter Chicken, directed by North Vancouver filmmaker Priyanka Desai. The series celebrates the recipes, untold stories and life lessons of South Asians in Canada through the eyes of celebrated Vancouver culinary mind, Shiva Reddy.

We will show the series' four 22-minute episodes. Following the screening, Desai will be in attendance for an audience Q&A.

About the film: Over the course of four episodes, Not Your Butter Chicken takes us from Vancouver to Kamloops and Kelowna, BC, and Lethbridge and Fort McMurray, Alberta, while host Shiva Reddy explores her culture with other South Asians to fill in the gaps that come with being a second-generation Canadian. Once a competitive hockey player, Reddy grew up to be one of the first South Asian women to make it in the world of wine and fine dining in Canada. Now, grappling with her mother's battle with dementia, Reddy is on a journey to piece together the story of her Indian heritage through food and community.

Registration is recommended, but drop-ins may be allowed if space permits. Questions? Email info@nvcl.ca or call 604-998-3450.

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