



## Society of Indo-American Engineers and Architects hosts networking cruise

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Manhattan, NY On Saturday, August 3rd, the Society of Indo-American Engineers and Architects (SIAEA) hosted its highly anticipated annual networking cruise, bringing together 500 professionals. The evening boat cruise offered views of the city and Statue of Liberty. Guests dined on Indian cuisine and danced to music. This event provided a platform for attendees to connect, exchange insights, and celebrate their achievements.

The evening featured guest speakers, including Gordon Tung, vice president of the NYC School Construction Authority, Dean Johanson, chief project officer of the NYC School Construction Authority, and Sreoshy Banerjea, executive director of the NYC Public Design Commission. These speakers shared their expertise and support for the future of the industry.

A highlight of the event was the recognition of honorees for their contributions to the community.

Shown (from left) are: Amil Patel, Mihir Patel, Ketan Shah, Heman Patel

This year's honorees included:

- Hersh Parekh – deputy chief intergovernmental affairs, Port Authority of NY & NJ
- Eric Alemany – Senior director, supplier relations management, New York Power Authority
- Nishant Shah – senior program manager, Gannett Fleming
- Mark Ebrahim – director, New York City School Construction Authority
- Lourdes Zapata – chief diversity and inclusion officer, MTA
- Kalpana Patel – CEO and president, Unique Comp, Inc.
- Jose Febrillet – chief diversity, equity & inclusion officer, Port Authority of NY & NJ

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