

Birthday October 28

Hometown Hyderabad/New Delhi

School/College Rich Valley School (KFI) / Lady Shriram College

High point of your life This year, my screen award for Ye Saali Zindagi — big surprise!

Low point of your life This year, my nani landed in hospital 2 days before I left for the shoot of *London Paris New York*.

A song that describes you best *Voh Dekhne Mein* from *London Paris New York*.

Actors/actresses you admire Audrey Hepburn, Waheeda Rehman, Vidya Balan, Madhuri Dixit, Shah Rukh Khan, Aamir Khan, Natalie Portman

Fashion style Casual chic to classic

Favourite author Isabel Allende — Magic Realism

Aditi is a student of renowned dancer Leela Samson and has danced since she was five and performed all over the world.

Aditi is a yoga junkie.

FACT FILE



Photo: Donna Munshi

Why do you think the Airtel 3G TV ad with Arjun Mathur was so popular?

Because of my elusive tilt! But seriously because there was an innocent and honest emotion with no frills-love! And because it made everyone go “awwwww”!

What attracted you to the character of Lalitha in London, Paris, New York? And similarities between the two of you?

Lalitha is innocent, earnest, idealistic and intelligent and one of those rare pure souls. She also becomes spunky and rebellious and then goes on to become feminine and caring and comfortable with who she is and yet her core remains pure and innocent... a character that gets to travel this journey with the person she loves and within herself is a very beautiful concept. It's the growing up of two people and the growing up of love... there is no way I wouldn't

have done this film. I had a stern word with god the moment I read the script and it worked! Lalitha and I possibly have similar cores — a squeaky clean heart!

London, Paris, New York is a journey of love for the two lead characters, Nikhil and Lalitha, over three countries. What kind of journey was it for you and Ali Zafar, being from two neighbouring countries?

We both believe that music or any art form has no boundaries. Ali and I love music and that's what we bonded over. Ali has a Sufi core and I've grown up surrounded by Buddhist and Sufi philosophy... divisiveness is a political agenda and it has no place in our hearts and minds.

You've sung two songs for London, Paris, New York. Next stop: a singing career?

I've sung the love song *Theree Si Zindagi* with Ali and the female version of *Voh Dekhne Mein* which was recorded with me in the studio and Ali on Skype from Pakistan... we did it in one take! I'll sing if someone asks me to, I will never force it down anyone's throat! I love music and I sing all the time.

What was it like filming LPNY in LPNY?

Fabulous! Could it be anything less? We worked very hard and it was very satisfying. London was warm and friendly; Paris was intense, stunning, and cold. New York was buzzing with energy and life. The cities mirror what Nikhil and Lalitha are going through, and we actually felt that as we filmed.



Music you love, for a worthy cause.

Come enjoy an evening of music with the well-known pianist & entertainer Richard Abel who will be joined by local talented musicians. Proceeds of the concert will go towards Habitat for Humanity India's work of providing safe, secure and affordable shelter for families in need.

- Goa: Saturday, April 14 **7:00 pm** Kala Academy
- Pune: Tuesday, April 17 **7:30 pm** Nehru Memorial Hall
- Bengaluru: Friday, April 20 **7:30 pm** Catholic Club
- Mumbai: Saturday, April 21 **7:00 pm** St. Andrew's Auditorium

*** Passes available at Venue & Furtados

WE LOVE INDIA An Ash Bhanda Foundation | **FURTADOS** BECAUSE YOU LOVE MUSIC | **Contact: Maria Peres 9821157358**