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## TV star gives best restaurant prize

by Alex Adams

THE owners of a Southall restaurant don't need to ask the audience how good its food is after it won a prestigious curry award at a glitzy ceremony on Sunday.

At the five-star Grosvenor House Hotel in Park Lane, Who Wants To Be A Millionaire quizmaster Chris Tarrant handed Brilliant Restaurant the Best London Suburbs Restaurant prize in the 2007 British Curry Awards.

And although it will jostle for space on its wall among the host of awards the eatery has already won, staff at the Western Road restaurant believe it is their finest hour.

Director Gulu Anand, 52, of St Mary's Avenue, Norwood Green, said: "It's an amazing feel-

ing, I feel like I'm flying!

"This is the biggest award we have won so far in our 32 years. I'm absolutely thrilled about this."

Assistant manager and food consultant Dipna Anand, 23, who has just finished a nine-week spell as a judge on the BBC programme The Restaurant opposite Marco Pierre White, believes it was about time the restaurant won critical acclaim.

She said: "We have been in business for 32 years so it's high time we were recognised."

"The attention has always gone to the city centre restaurants, but now they have realised where the heart of it is and where it all started - back in Southall."



GLITTERING: Dipna, Gulu and Shanker Anand brandish their trophy, awarded by Chris Tarrant, pictured left with Gulu.

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