

# **GENDER ISSUES:**

## Thinking Seriously about Duality



**Carlos :** (jestfully feigning intoxication) Issthisshhhh-genderstaaatement?

**Anya :** (feigning ignorance) Jees – I dunno. Isn't everythang a geeeender statement in sum way?

**Devani :** (half in jest) Or perhaps merely the interaction between Shiva and Parvati? After all, our small existence is part of a larger divine play, right?

**Brice :** (shaking his head) What have you folks been drinking? Why can't you be serious?

**Devani :** (laughing slightly) Actually, the whole notion of being "serious" is curiously funny! Should an ant be serious about the insignificant mound it creates? Should a mayfly be serious about its nugatory dance? In the big picture, how much of our activity merits being "serious"?

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