



Növämbër 10

Interfaith Dialogue

Shahriar Ahmed
Bilal Mosque Association, Beaverton

Rabbi Daniel Isaak
Congregation Neveh Shalom



Shahriar Ahmed is president of the Bilal Mosque Association in Beaverton. He has a Masters from the SUNY at Buffalo and a Ph.D. from Rice University in Electrical Engineering. He has been with Intel Corporation since 1985 and is also an adjunct faculty member at the Oregon Graduate Institute. He is very active in interfaith discussions throughout Greater Portland.

Daniel Isaak attended Hebrew University and received his graduate degrees from the Jewish Theological Seminary and he served two terms as the president of the Oregon Board of Rabbis. He speaks widely about Judaism and is active in interfaith activities throughout Oregon.

Növämbër 24

**Liberal Arts: Critical Issues
Research Exhibit**

EHS and Hoover, noon to 3

Senior research teams present their projects on Islam.

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Liberal Arts: Critical Issues

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Fall Lecture Series
Lecture Schedule

Hoover 105
4:40-5:30, 7:00-7:50

SCHEDULE



September 8

Beliefs and Beginnings

Anusha Elias
Bilal Mosque, Beaverton

Anusha Elias is a student in the Biomedical Engineering Department at Oregon Health and Science University. She and members of the Bilal Mosque will give an introduction to Islam.

September 15

History of Islam in America

Kambiz GhaneaBassiri
Associate Professor of Religion and Humanities, Reed College



Kambiz GhaneaBassiri received his Ph.D. from Harvard University and is a Carnegie Scholar. The author of *Competing Visions of Islam in the United States: A Study of Los Angeles* (Greenwood Press, 1997), he currently is writing a book about the history of American Islam from the colonial period to the present.

September 22

Western Portrayals of Islam

Movie Night: *Reel Bad Arabs**
featuring Dr. Jack Shaheen



This documentary is based on the book by Jack Shaheen, *Reel Bad Arabs: How Hollywood Vilifies a People*. It focuses on the portrayal of Islam and Arabs in Hollywood films.

*Please be aware that this film contains violent images

September 29

Conservatives, Fundamentalists, and Militants: Islamic Edition

Kambiz GhaneaBassiri
Associate Professor of Religion and Humanities, Reed College

Dr. GhaneaBassiri returns to examine the complex issues surrounding Islamic extremism.

October 6

Religious Debate and Authority within Islam

Fareeha Khan
Assistant Professor of Religion, University of Georgia

Fareeha Khan received her Ph.D. from the University of Michigan in Islamic Law. Her specialties include the Islamic intellectual tradition, Islam and modernity (in particular reform movements of the modern Muslim world), and women and Islam.

October 20

Muslim Life in America



Students from Portland State University share about being Muslim in America.

October 27

Pacifism in Christianity and Islam

Paul Anderson
Professor of Biblical and Quaker Studies, George Fox University



Harris Zafar
Rizwan Mosque, Portland



Paul Anderson received his Ph.D. from Glasgow University and has been at GFU since 1989. His teaching specialties include New Testament studies and Quaker Studies.

Harris Zafar is the President of the Youth Organization at the Portland Rizwan Mosque in Southwest Portland. He has had a few articles published in the *Oregonian* regarding Islam and has spoken about Islam to several classes ranging from Junior High School to University students.

November 3

Cross-Cultural Missions

Ron Stansell
Professor of Religion, George Fox University



Ron Stansell spent eighteen-years as a missionary before coming to GFU in 1985. His teaching specialties include the world Christian movement, issues in missions, cross-cultural communication, and world religions. He serves on Northwest Yearly Meeting Board of Missions (Oregon) and Evangelical Friends Mission (Colorado).