

Sounds  
of Faith



Sunday, Oct. 24, 2021 3:00 -4:30 pm CST  
In-person and Live-Streamed  
American Islamic College  
640 W Irving Park Rd



**Dr. Shakeela Hassan** is a philanthropist, interfaith event and film producer, and author engaging human rights and values across communities. Her work bridging traditions is informed by a journey spanning Hyderabad to Chicago, and by her training at the University of Chicago, where she retired as Associate Professor Emeritus of Anesthesiology and Critical Care.

As a producer and fundraiser, her credits include the documentaries *Muhammad: Legacy of a Prophet*, *Ties That Bind*, and *The Sounds of Faith*, centered at her Harran Productions Foundation, the Sounds of Faith initiative has generated over 20 events from Chicago to New York and Doha, Qatar. Shakeela has served as an advisor to the International Human Rights Law Institute, Catholic Theological Union, Chicago Theological Seminary, Lutheran School of Theology, and Lake Institute on Faith and Giving. In Chicago's near western suburbs, Shakeela and her late husband Zia Hassan helped to establish and serve the Islamic Foundation Villa Park and its intercommunity outreach across the distances and diversities.

**Sounds of Faith** is a unique media and educational outreach project which focuses on the power of sound, rhythm and movement in religious and spiritual contexts. Sound unites people of faith by providing them with a tonal frame of reference which appears every bit as effective in creating and maintaining a religious or spiritual connection as the written text.

Dr. Hassan's Sounds of Faith has been recognized globally for its interfaith and intercultural commitment to both the understanding and the celebration of human diversity and love of Creator. We are honored to have Rabbi Zedek and Matthew Dean as a part of tonight's program and recognize their part in Harran Productions and Sounds of Faith.



## **Welcome and Introduction**

Kim Schultz, Coordinator of Creative Initiatives and Events at InterReligious Institute,  
Chicago Theological Seminary

Sara Trumm, Director of A Center of Christian-Muslim Engagement,  
Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

Timothy J. Gianotti, President of American Islamic College (AIC)

Romana Manzoor, Director of Interfaith & College Programs, AIC

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## **The Opening**

Ensemble

Intra-uterine heartbeat, Meditative breathing, Children's laughter, Birds, Rain, Train, African  
Drums, Hand gong, Call to Prayer, Native Flute, Handbells, Shofar

*Allahu Akbar!*  
*Ashhadu an la ilaha illa Allah.*  
*Ashadu anna Muhammadan*  
*Rasool Allah.*  
*Hayya 'ala-s-Salah.*  
*Hayya 'ala-l-Falah.*  
*Allahu Akbar!*  
*La ilaha illa Allah.*

God is Great! I bear witness that  
there is no god except the One God.  
I bear witness that Muhammad  
is the messenger of God.  
Hurry to the prayer.  
Hurry to salvation.  
God is Great!  
There is no god except the One God.

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## **Native American Flute**

William Buchholtz (Allison) - Metis

*Native American Ministry of Presence, United Methodist Church*  
*St. Kateri Center of the Archdiocese of Chicago*

[www.playingfromspirit.com](http://www.playingfromspirit.com)

*Zuni Sunrise Song*

*Windayaho Cherokee Morning Song*

*A Mothers Heart*  
written by performer to honor his birth and adopted mothers

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## **Buddhist Chanting**

Rev. Patti Nakai  
Buddhist Temple of Chicago [buddhisttemplechicago.org](http://buddhisttemplechicago.org)

*Jodo Wasan (Japanese) Verses in Praise of the Light of Wisdom*  
*Namu/Amida/Butsu Bowing Down/To All Lives/As Enlightened*

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## **Jewish Prayers**

Rabbi Michael Zedek & Cantor Shelly Drucker Friedman  
Emanuel Congregation [www.emanuelcong.org](http://www.emanuelcong.org)

*Hinneh mah tov umah na'im* Behold how good and how pleasing  
*Shevet achim gam yachad.* for people to sit together in unity.

*Oseh shalom bimromav,* May God who makes peace  
*hu ya'aseh shalomaleynu,* in God's high places make peace  
*ve'al kol Yisrael, ve'al kol* upon us and upon all Israel;  
*yoshvei teivel ve'imru amen.* and we say, Amen.

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## **Christian Songs**

LSTC Music Ministry led by Keith 'Doc' Hampton  
Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago: [www.lstc.edu](http://www.lstc.edu)

*Grace* by Jonathan McReynolds

*Spiritual Quodlibet: Wade in the Water, Sometimes I Feel like a Motherless Child, I  
Want to Die Easy*  
arranged by Ysaye M. Barnwell

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## **Islamic Nasheeds**

Ahmet Ates, Madinah Javed, Muhammed Aslan and Mesut Mamaloglu  
American Islamic College [www.aicusa.edu](http://www.aicusa.edu)

*Severim Ben Seni* I love you (Turkish)  
by Musafa Ceceli

*Mawlaya Salli wa Sallim*  
My Lord send peace and blessings always (Arabic)  
by Maher Zain

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## **Closing Remarks**

Romana Manzoor, AIC

Special thanks to thank you to all the presenters, organizers, and volunteers, including members of the LSTC Music Ministry group: Vickie Johnson, Marji Shannon, Kylee Bestenlehner, Sara Trumm, Teniya Mackey, Killian Schrenk, and Chris Joyner



**American Islamic College** is an institution of higher learning grounded in Islamic values, embracing students of all backgrounds.

Our Chicago location uniquely positions AIC to represent and research the diversity of Islam in America. AIC promotes appreciation for the scope and richness of Islamic history and civilization both in the classroom and by means of public events highlighting Islam's intellectual, artistic and cultural expressions. Through rigorous scholarship, civic engagement and interfaith/ intercultural activities, AIC prepares our students to

become global citizens and visionary leaders. Contact Romana Manzoor at [info@aicusa.edu](mailto:info@aicusa.edu)

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**A Center of Christian-Muslim Engagement for Peace and Justice** at the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago fosters and deepens relations between Christians and Muslims as a significant part of its larger purpose of building bridges of mutual understanding, respect and cooperation among people of all faiths. It was founded on the conviction that neighbors of all faith traditions, in their co-humanity, created by and responsible before God, are called to know, respect and learn from one another, despite or even because of our differences. Contact Sara Trumm at [ccme@lstc.edu](mailto:ccme@lstc.edu) Website:

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**Interreligious Institute** serves as our means to engage the public as we work to reshape the public square, such that people of all religions and people of no particular religion have equal space and voice. Join us through our events, resources, and training materials. Contact Kim Schultz

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