



## UPCOMING PUBLIC EVENTS

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*Tuesday, September 14th, 2010, 5:00-6:30 pm*

### **SPEAKER SERIES**

CONFRONTING FASCISM IN EGYPT: DICTATORSHIP VS. DEMOCRACY IN THE 1930S

Israel Gershoni, Professor of Middle Eastern History at Tel Aviv University

Location: Fainsod, Littauer Building, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Harvard Kennedy School

Co-Sponsored by The Middle East Forum at the Center for Middle Eastern Studies

*Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010, 6:00-8:00pm*

### **MIDDLE EAST FILM SERIES**

NO ONE KNOWS ABOUT PERSIAN CATS (Iran, 2009)

Bringing a dose of humor and a fresh perspective to a very serious subject, this film is an exciting, quietly powerful tribute to the courage of Iran's underground musicians.

The film will be shown from 6:15 to 8:00 pm. Complimentary pizza and soft drinks will be available starting at 6:00 pm. Co-Sponsored by the Outreach Center at the Center for Middle Eastern Studies.

Location: Wiener Auditorium, Taubman Building, Ground Floor, Harvard Kennedy School

*Monday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010, 4:00-5:30pm*

### **SPEAKER SERIES**

LEFT, RIGHT OR CENTER: ISRAEL'S POLITICAL MAP

Dr. Einat Wilf, Member of Knesset on behalf of the Labor Party of Israel

Location: Wiener Auditorium, Taubman Building, Ground Floor, Harvard Kennedy School

*Tuesday, September 21st, 2010, 4:00-5:30pm*

### **TEACH IN AND PANEL DISCUSSION**

MAKING SENSE OF THE CONTROVERSY: CAMPUS TEACH IN ON THE MUSLIM COMMUNITY CENTER ISSUE IN MANHATTAN

Diana Eck, Professor of Comparative Religion and Indian Studies, Faculty of Arts and Sciences and Member of the Faculty of Divinity; Director of the Pluralism Project and Master of Lowell House; Ali Asani, Professor of Indo-Muslim and Islamic Religion and Cultures, Faculty of Arts and Sciences; Chair of the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations and Associate Director, Prince Alwaleed bin Talal Islamic Studies Program; and, Mark Tushnet, William Nelson Cromwell Professor of Law, Harvard Law School

Location: Fong Auditorium, 110 Boylston Hall, Harvard Campus

Co-Sponsored by the Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Pluralism Project, Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal Islamic Studies Program and Harvard Foundation

*Tuesday, September 21st, 2010, 5:30-7:00pm*

### **SPEAKER SERIES**

THE LATEST ROUND OF PALESTINIAN - ISRAELI NEGOTIATIONS: PROSPECTS FOR SUCCESS

Diana Buttu, Attorney, Former legal advisor to Palestinian negotiators, Palestinian citizen of Israel

Location: Bell Hall, Belfer Building, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Harvard Kennedy School

*Friday, September 24, 2010, 3:00-4:30pm*

### **SPEAKER SERIES**

ENTREPRENEURSHIP IN THE ARAB WORLD

Fadi Ghandour, CEO and Founder of ARAMEX

Location: Bell Hall, Belfer Building, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Harvard Kennedy School

Co-Sponsored by the Harvard Kennedy School Corporate Social Responsibility Initiative and the Mossavar Rahmani Center for Business

*Tuesday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2010, 6:00pm*

### **FORUM EVENT**

Ahmet Davutoglu, Turkish Foreign Minister

Co-Sponsored by Harvard Institute of Politics and the Kokkalis Program on Southeastern and East-Central Europe

Location: Littauer Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Harvard Kennedy School. Entrance with Harvard ID only (\*).

*Wednesday, September 29, 2010, 4:00-7:30pm*

**SPEAKER SERIES**

POWER, POLITICS AND VIOLENCE IN CONTEMPORARY PAKISTAN

Fatima Bhutto, Journalist and Author of *Songs of Blood & Sword*. Public Talk followed by a book signing at the Harvard COOP (1400 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge)

Location: Littauer Building, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Trustman Room 150, Harvard Kennedy School

Co-sponsored by the Outreach Center at the Center for Middle Eastern Studies and the Carr Center for Human Rights at the Harvard Kennedy School

*Monday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010*

**SPEAKER SERIES**

PALESTINIAN MONETARY FUND AND PALESTINIAN ECONOMY

Jihad Al-Wazir, Palestinian Monetary Authority Governor

Location: Fainsod, Littauer Building, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Harvard Kennedy School

Location and time: TBD

*Thursday, October 7, 2010, 5:00-6:30pm*

**SPEAKER SERIES**

UNDERSTANDING THE YEMENI STATE

Steven C. Caton, Professor of Contemporary Arab Society in the Department of Anthropology, Harvard University

Location: Fainsod, Littauer Building, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Harvard Kennedy School

*Wednesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010, 4:00pm- 6:00pm*

**SPEAKER SERIES**

FORGOTTEN SAINTS: HISTORY, POWER, AND POLITICS IN THE MAKING OF MODERN MOROCCO

Sahar Bazzaz, Author, Associate Professor, Holy Cross College

Location: The Center for Middle Eastern Studies (38 Kirkland St.)

Co-Sponsored by the Outreach Center at the Center for Middle Eastern Studies

*Tuesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010, 5:30-7:00pm*

**SPEAKER SERIES**

MODERNISM, ISLAMISM, AND THE QUESTION OF IDENTITY IN ARCHITECTURE

Nasser Rabbat, Aga Khan Professor of the History of Islamic Architecture and Director of the Aga Khan Program for Islamic Architecture at MIT

Location: Bell Hall, Belfer, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Harvard Kennedy School

Co-sponsored by the Outreach Center at the Center for Middle Eastern Studies

*Monday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010, 12:00-2:00pm*

**SPEAKER SERIES**

Luncheon with Ambassador Yousef Al Otaiba, UAE Ambassador to the United States

Co-Sponsored by Center for Public Leadership and the Dubai Initiative

*Thursday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2010, 4:00-6:30pm*

**SPEAKER SERIES**

CONTEMPORARY ARAB THOUGHT: CULTURAL CRITIQUE IN COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE

Elizabeth Kassab, Author, Research fellow at the German Orient Institute in Beirut

Location: Fainsod, Littauer, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Harvard Kennedy School

*Wednesday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010, 6:00-8:00pm*

**MIDDLE EAST FILM SERIES**

SALT OF THIS SEA (France, 2008)

Soraya, born in Brooklyn in a working class community of Palestinian refugees, learns that her grandfather's savings were frozen in a bank account in Jaffa when he was exiled in 1948 and fulfills her dream of "returning" to Palestine. There she finds that in order to be free of the constraints that dictate the lives of her people, she must take matters into her own hands, even if it is illegal.

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Wiener Auditorium, Taubman Building, Ground Floor, Harvard Kennedy School

*Friday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010, 4:00-6:00pm*

**FORUM EVENT**

Prince Turki Al-Faisal, Chairman of the board of the King Faisal Center for Research and Islamic Studies in Riyadh; former Director General of Saudi Arabia's General Intelligence and Former Saudi Ambassador to the United States, the United Kingdom and Ireland.

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