

A BRIDGE BETWEEN TWO EPOCHS

BOOK LAUNCH

Thursday
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STATUS OF WOMEN

hazrat mawlana sultan muhammad shah,
describes his marriage to mata salamat
I HAVE AT LAST BEEN GRANTED THE REAL AND WONDERFUL HAVEN OF FINDING
IN AND WITH MY WIFE A TRUE UNION OF MIND AND SOUL.
memoirs p. 275



THE GLORIOUS LIFE OF HIS HIGHNESS AGA KHAN III SULTAN MUHAMMAD SHAH AL-HUSAYNI
INTERNATIONAL STATESMAN, PIONEER OF WOMEN'S RIGHTS, UNIQUE IDEAS ON SPIRITUAL
ENLIGHTENMENT AND SCIENCE

INTRODUCTION

rashida noormohamed-hunzai

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKERS

dr arif babul *internationally acclaimed astrophysicist uvic*

dr parin dossa *professor of anthropology sfu*

dr mohamed alibhai *islamic philosophy from harvard*

Light Refreshments served



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dr arif babul

Dr. Arif Babul is an internationally acclaimed astrophysicist who studies how the present-day observed population of galaxies — like our own Milky Way — formed and how the galactic processes — like star formation, exploding stars, powerful energy outbursts from supermassive black holes — unfolding during galaxy formation alters the observable features of the Universe. Dr. Babul is a recipient of numerous awards including the title of “University of Victoria Distinguished Professor”, the highest academic honour that the University can grant a faculty member.

dr parin dossa

Dr Parin Dossa, Professor of Anthropology and Associate Member in the Department of Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies, also a member of the Editorial Advisory Board of *Anthropologica* received her education on three continents: Africa, Europe and North America. Her long-standing interest in displacement and critical feminist ethnography has led her to focus on the interface between social inequality, health and gender. Based on her research on social suffering and narratives of trauma, Dr Dossa explores the differential effects of structural violence on the lived realities of Muslim women, including the diaspora. She is the author of (a) *Politics and Poetics of Migration: Narratives of Iranian Women from the Diaspora* (2004); (b) *Racialized Bodies, Disabling Worlds: Storied Lives of Immigrant Muslim Women* (2009); (c) *Afghanistan Remembers: Narrations of Violence and Culinary Practices* (2014). (d) *Transnational Aging and Reconfigurations of Kin Work* (co-edited volume with Cati Coe).

dr mohamed alibhai

Dr Mohamed Alibhai holds a PhD in Islamic Philosophy from Harvard University, an MS degree in Geophysical and Planetary Sciences from the University of London, and a BS degree in Mathematics, Physics and Economics from the University of Dar es Salaam (Tanzania). He had brief stints teaching Islamic Philosophy and Arabic grammar at McGill University, and Anthropology of Religion at York University (Toronto). In summer 1984 he was visiting professor at the Institute of Ismaili Studies in London, where he conducted a seminar on Neoplatonic Philosophy. Dr Alibhai eventually settled on a career in Information Technology. He has provided computer programming and systems analysis services to state governments in the US and to private corporations including Microsoft and Cray, which manufactures high-speed parallel-processing computers used by NASA for space exploration. He is currently working on a book on European federalism. He lives in Burnaby as an independent scholar.