Dear Friends,

Assalamu alaykum/Peace be with you. There is much exciting news to share. First, I want to congratulate our wonderful volunteers who cook and serve food at the Mercy Shelter each month. Thanks to your hard work, MCCT recently received the Patricia McKeon Compassion and Dignity Award. A special thanks goes to Moeen and Safia Sharaf, who run this program on behalf of MCCT and who were on hand to receive the award.

I’m also pleased to share that MCCT had a successful qurbani meat distribution event in September. The distribution is part of our halal food pantry program, partnership with Hands on Hartford and Islamic Relief.

Finally, in just a few days, we will be hosting our Annual Leadership Banquet at the Marriott in Downtown Hartford. This year’s theme is “Celebrating the Arts: Imagining a Better Tomorrow,” and our keynote speaker is comedian Jeremy McLellan. We hope to see many of you there!

Thank you for your continued support of MCCT. We could not do this work without you.

Sincerely,

Mike Karpman
President, MCCT

MCCT BY THE NUMBERS – April to October 2019

- Speakers’ Bureau engaged about 700 attendees at over 20 events.
- Around 90 volunteer slots for the monthly Shelter Serves were filled to serve approximately 750 people in need of food.
MCCT was honored to receive the Sister Patricia McKeon Compassion & Dignity Award for our work at Mercy Shelter. Special thanks to Safia and Moeen Sharaf for heading this initiative and receiving the honor on our behalf. Thank you also to all of our awesome volunteers for bringing food and volunteering the first Saturday of each month for the past 14 years!
Thank you to all of our volunteers who donated their time for the Qurbani Meat Distribution event in September. Special thanks to Islamic Relief for their very generous donation of Qurbani Meat and to Hands On Hartford for providing freezer space and hosting the distribution to those in need of food. An extra special thanks to Pauline at Hands On Hartford for being there in the evening to help us transport the meat from the Islamic Relief Truck to the freezers!
MCCT ANNUAL LEADERSHIP BANQUET
Register Online at www.mcct.us

THE MUSLIM COALITION OF CONNECTICUT INVITES YOU TO ITS 13TH ANNUAL LEADERSHIP BANQUET AND FUNDRAISER

CELEBRATING THE ARTS
Imagining a Better Tomorrow

Keynote Speaker
Jeremy McLellan

Hartford Marriott
200 Columbus Blvd
Hartford, CT 06103

SUNDAY
NOV 17
5PM TO 8:30PM

Ticket (1) = $60
Table (10) = $550
Student (10) = $450

Registration/Social Hour 5PM. Program begins promptly at 6PM

For more information, please email info@mcct.us
Tickets may be purchased via MCCT Website at www.mcct.us

MUSLIM COALITION OF CONNECTICUT

The Muslim Coalition of Connecticut is a not-for-profit organization working to build bridges in community. Check out our website at www.muslimcoalitionct.org
UPCOMING MCCT EVENTS

PLEASE NOTE: Dates and venues are subject to change – please look out for announcements via email, facebook, and on our website closer to each date.

Sunday, November 17th
Annual Leadership Banquet
Hartford Marriott Downtown
Registration/Check in and Social
Hour 5:00-6:00 pm
Program Begins Promptly
6:00-8:30 pm
Register via online link at www.mcct.us

Saturday December 7th
Shelter Serve
Mercy Shelter, Hartford 11:30 am
Register via online link when it becomes available at www.mcct.us

*Shelter Serves are held the first Saturday of each month throughout the year

GET INVOLVED!

If you are interested in volunteering with MCCT or would like more information about our events, please send your inquiry to info@mcct.us. We are currently looking for interested members of the community who would like to serve on one of our program committees, or volunteer at one of our events. Programs include:

• MONTHLY SHELTER SERVE
• TASTE OF RAMADAN
• WOMEN’S EVENTS
• SPEAKERS BUREAU
• LEADERSHIP BANQUET

We are also looking for volunteers to help us with web design, marketing design, videographers, photography, social media, volunteer coordinating, newsletter editors, etc.
OUTSIDE EVENTS OF INTEREST

For more information visit www.hartsem.edu

Book Talk: A History of Islam in 21 Women with Professor Hossein Kamaly

December 3rd, 2019 @ 7:00pm

Hossein Kamaly, Associate Professor of Islamic Studies and Holder of the Imam Ali Chair for Shi‘i Studies and Dialogue among Islamic Legal Schools, will introduce us to his new book, A History of Islam in 21 Women.

One World, the publisher, describes the book this way:

“Beginning in seventh-century Mecca and Medina, A History of Islam in 21 Women takes us around the globe, through eleventh-century Yemen and Khorasan, and into sixteenth-century Spain, Istanbul and India. From there to nineteenth-century Persia and the African savannah, to twentieth-century Russia, Turkey, Egypt and Iraq, before arriving in present-day Europe and America.

From the first believer, Khadija, and the other women who witnessed the formative years of Islam, to award-winning architect Zaha Hadid in the twenty-first century, Hossein Kamaly celebrates the lives and groundbreaking achievements of these extraordinary women in the history of Islam.”

Please join us!

Note: Hartford Seminary is committed to providing accessibility for all. Please contact Susan Schoenberger at sschoenberger@hartsem.edu or 860-509-9519 at least 3 days in advance if you have questions about our accessibility or need reasonable accommodations for this event.