

Inspired by Malala:  
Local Muslim Women Discuss Activism, Community, & Islamophobia  
Thursday, September 12

Inspired by the courage of young Pakistani education activist Malala Yousafzai to speak up for equal rights of women and girls, this panel brings together local Bay Area Muslim women leaders to discuss Muslim women's agency and activism. All too often, media distorts the lives and views of Muslim women. We hear about sensational and shocking violence against Muslim women as well as their passivity and powerlessness. But what are the differences between media stereotypes of Muslim women and the reality? Four local Muslim women leaders will speak intimately to some of the top concerns facing American Muslim women: Islamophobia, misguided prejudices about Islam and Muslim women, and the shortage of role models and leaders.

This event celebrates IMOW's global exhibition, *Muslima: Muslim Women's Arts & Voices*. Meet *Muslima* curator **Samina Ali** in conversation with **Zahra Billoo**, Executive Director for the Council of American Islamic Relations San Francisco Bay Area; **Ameena Jandali**, co-founder of Islamic Networks Group; **Ayesha Mattu**, writer and co-editor of the anthology, *Love, Inshallah: The Secret Love Lives of American Muslim Women*; and **Nuri Nusrat** of the National Council on Crime & Delinquency's Restorative Justice Project.



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**Event Details:** Thursday, September 12, World Affairs Council Auditorium, 312 Sutter Street, Second Floor, San Francisco. Registration and refreshments at 5:15 p.m.; program from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Ticket prices are \$15 general admission, \$5 for IMOW members and partner members. Reserve tickets by September 10. **Tickets available online at**

[www.imow.org](http://www.imow.org).

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