

FRANK ISLAM ATHENAEUM SYMPOSIA

FALL 2013 SPEAKER SERIES—EVENINGS at 7 p.m.

Timely, stimulating topics delivered by today's leading experts in international affairs, the arts, politics, and economics



Tuesday 09.10 FRANK ISLAM: Entrepreneur, Author, Philanthropist

Working the Pivot Points: To Make America Work Again—Frank Islam will discuss some of the pivotal points of his new book: income inequality, global competition, education reform, and innovation—especially educational reform and innovation that will allow the United States to avoid a permanent underclass, to be a champion in the global market, and to renew the American dream. 7 p.m.



Monday 09.23 VIC FAZIO: Former U.S. Congressman / Senior Advisor to Akin Gump

Polarization: The Present State of Congress—The Honorable Vic Fazio will discuss the present state of Congress, comparing it to the 20 years he spent in Congress and examining how it has changed, why it has changed, and how the polarization of parties results in a dysfunctional Congress. 7 p.m.



Monday 10.14 ARUN GANDHI: Grandson of Mahatma Gandhi and Social Activist

Gandhian Nonviolence: A Pathway for Resolving Modern Day Conflict—Arun Gandhi will discuss lessons about non-violence learned from his grandfather and analyze how these lessons apply to the resolution of conflict in the 21st Century. 7 p.m.



Tuesday 10.29 EXIT 12 DANCE CO: Founded by Roman Baca, Former Marine

From Ballet to Bullets and Back—Roman Baca, a former Marine, and his Exit 12 Dance Company will voice through their performance the courage and conflictedness of young men and women engaged in war, specifically Iraq and Afghanistan, and the pride and apprehension of their parents. 7 p.m.



Thursday 11.14 DR. MARIA M. DAKAKE: Chair of Religious Studies, GMU

Women in Islam—Muslim women are often the topic of controversy, particularly in the Western world. In this lecture, George Mason University professor, Dr. Maria Dakake, will discuss many of these issues, including the choice of wearing a hijab, what the Qur'an says about women, women's rights, and the role of women in society. This program is hosted with the MC Germantown Library, as part of the Bridging Cultures Muslim Journeys grant awarded by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the American Library Association. 7p.m.



Tuesday 12.03 WILLIAM CHANG: Classical Pianist and MC Music Professor

William Chang, Montgomery College Germantown music professor, will present a music recital featuring four classical piano compositions: Invitation to the Dance, op. 65 by Carl Maria von Weber; Rondo a capriccio, op. 129 (Rage over Lost Penny) by Ludwig van Beethoven; Scherzo, op. 31 by Frederic Chopin; and Carnival, op. 9 by Robert Schumann. 7 p.m.

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