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Fall Symposium

9/11: TEN YEARS ON



FILM SERIES

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 5

Middle East Film Series: About Baghdad (2004)

Description: About Baghdad is the first film made about Iraq after the fall of the Ba'ath regime in July 2003. It is also perhaps the first effort to privilege the voices of the Iraqi people, from all walks of life as well as social, economic and ethnic backgrounds. While many have talked about and for the Iraqi people, few media outlets have sought to probe beyond the simplistic binary of pro-US/pro-Saddam perspective so often found in Western and Arab media portrayals of Iraq. About Baghdad presents Iraqis who describe the pain, complexity and suffering of living under decades of tyranny, oppression, wars, sanctions and now occupation. Silenced for so long by a regime that sought to replace the people with the image of just one man, and re-silenced by the bombs and occupation forces, the Iraqi people long to speak out and to claim their future. About Baghdad is a small step forward towards that goal in presenting audiences with their first opportunity to hear unadulterated Iraqi voices that should be privileged regardless of one's perspective on the war and the justifications given for it.

Miller 1101 7:00-8:30 p.m. Contact: Dr. Manal Jamal, jamalma@jmu.edu, Dr. Tammy Castle, castletl@jmu.edu

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 12

Middle East Film Series: Budrus (2009)

Budrus is an award-winning feature documentary film about a Palestinian community organizer, Ayed Morrar, who unites local Fatah and Hamas members along with Israeli supporters in an unarmed movement to save his village of Budrus from destruction by Israel's Separation Barrier. Success eludes them until his 15-year-old daughter, Iltezam, launches a women's contingent that quickly moves to the front lines. Struggling side by side, father and daughter unleash an inspiring, yet little-known, movement in the Occupied Palestinian Territories that is still gaining ground today. In an action-filled documentary chronicling this movement from its infancy, Budrus shines a light on people who choose nonviolence to confront a threat.

Miller 1101 7:00-8:30 p.m. Contact: Dr. Manal Jamal, jamalma@jmu.edu, Dr. Tammy Castle, castletl@jmu.edu

VISITING SCHOLARS LECTURES

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 27

The State of Hate in America: The Radical Right since 9/11

This talk will examine the development of the radical right in the United States over the last decade, focusing on the reasons for its surprisingly rapid growth, especially since 2008. The presentation will address major transformations in the United States, including changing attitudes towards Muslims and terrorism generally since the 2001 attacks. Key areas of discussion include hate crimes, immigration, extreme-right terrorism, and the remarkable recent growth of political vitriol and even violence in the political mainstream.

Mark Potok, Director of The Intelligence Project, Southern Poverty Law Center
Miller 1101 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Contact: Dr. Christine Robinson, robin2cm@jmu.edu

THURSDAY OCTOBER 6

The United States and the World after 9/11/2001

According to the conventional wisdom, the United States is "the world's only superpower." In important respects that is accurate, but it overlooks some daunting challenges of the past decade: a difficult and costly war of necessity in Afghanistan, an even costlier war of choice in Iraq, upheavals in the Middle East, serious international economic challenges, doubts about American foreign policy among even some close allies, and a country deeply divided on many domestic issues. Will this scenario confirm Arthur Schlesinger's gloomy forecast that the country will retreat "back to the womb?"

Dr. Ole Holsti, George V. Allen Emeritus Professor of Political Science, Duke University
Miller 1101 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Contact: Dr. Chris Blake, blakech@jmu.edu



WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 30

The U.S. and Iran since 9-11

An examination of developments in US-Iran relations since 9/11, considering in detail the events the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, the consequences for Iranian foreign and domestic policy and politics, as well as perception and misperceptions in both Tehran and Washington. Consideration will be given to the role of politics, mythology and pragmatism in defining the relationship between the United States and Iran.

Dr. Ali Ansari, Professor of History, University of St. Andrews, Scotland; Director, Institute for Iranian Studies
Miller 1101 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Contact: Dr. Bernie Kaussler, kausslbr@jmu.edu



ROUNDTABLES AND PANEL DISCUSSIONS

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 5

12:00-1:30 p.m. Taylor 306

Faculty Roundtable: **9/11 and the Middle East Today**

Contact: Dr. Manal Jamal, sulfarva@jmu.edu

4:30-6:00 p.m. Taylor 405

Panel Presentation: **Just War since 9/11**

Contact: Dr. Terry Beitzel, beitzetd@jmu.edu

THURSDAY OCTOBER 6

12:00-1:30 p.m. Taylor 306

Faculty/Student Roundtable: **Anti-Muslim and Anti-Arab Bias Post-9/11**

Contact: Dr. Tammy Castle, castletl@jmu.edu

FRIDAY OCTOBER 7

12:00-1:30 p.m. Taylor 306

Faculty Roundtable: **Muslims in the European Union**

Contact: Dr. Jessica Adolino, adolinjr@jmu.edu

MONDAY OCTOBER 10

12:00-1:30 p.m. Taylor 306

Roundtable: **The Role of the U.S. and the Global Community in Protecting Human Rights: Views from the Ground**

Contact: Dr. Valerie Sulfaro, sulfarva@jmu.edu

3:00-4:30 p.m. Taylor 405

Presentation: **Rethinking U.S. Interests in a Post-9/11 World: Human Security & Peacebuilding**

Contact: Dr. Chris Blake, blakech@jmu.edu

TUESDAY OCTOBER 11

12:00-1:30 p.m. Taylor 304

Roundtable: **The Militarization of Policing**

Contact: Dr. Glenn Hastedt, hastedgp@jmu.edu

4:30-6:00 p.m. Taylor 306

Panel Presentation: **Al Jazeera and Foreign Images of the United States**

Contact: Dr. Valerie Sulfaro, sulfarva@jmu.edu

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 12

12:00-1:30 p.m. Taylor 306

Roundtable: **Voices from the War Zone**

Contact: Dr. Terry Beitzel, beitzetd@jmu.edu

4:30-6:00 p.m. Taylor 405

Roundtable: **Border Issues in Arizona since 9-11**

Contact: Dr. Jenny Byrne, byrneje@jmu.edu

THURSDAY OCTOBER 13

12:00-1:30 p.m. Taylor 404

Roundtable: **Resetting U.S. Foreign Policy: Looking Back vs. Looking Forward**

Contact: Dr. Glenn Hastedt, hastedgp@jmu.edu

TUESDAY OCTOBER 18

7:00-8:30 p.m. HHS 1302

Roundtable: **Refugee Experiences in the Shenandoah Valley**

Contact: Dr. Jenny Byrne, byrneje@jmu.edu

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