



## Small Group Dialogues

- Tables 1 & 2 Room 111
- Tables 3 & 4 Room 112
- Tables 5 & 6 Room 113
- Table 7 Room 131
- Tables 8 –11 Rooms 139-141
- Table 12 Room 118  
118 is Across from Theatre Entrance

## Supporters ...

- Congregation Olam Tikvah
- Dar Al Hijrah Islamic Center
- Durga Temple
- John Calvin Presbyterian Church
- Ravensworth Baptist Church
- Fairfax County Department of Neighborhood and Community Services
  - Community Interfaith Coordination
  - Regional Services – 2

## Facilitators ...

*We wish to express our appreciation for the facilitators who have generously donated their time to support the dialogue tonight..*

National Association of Counties Achievement Award Recipient

## Interfaith Communities for Dialogue

### *Religious Freedom and the U.S. Constitution: A Balancing Act*

*First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof..."*



**Sunday, October 27, 2013**  
**James Lee Community Center**  
**2855 Annandale Road, #101**  
**Falls Church, VA 22042**  
**1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

## Dialogue Ground Rules

- The time is shared equally.
- One person speaks at a time.
- Speak from your own experiences; use "I" not "we/they."
- Listen carefully and respectfully to increase your understanding – not to formulate your response.
- Ask questions out of curiosity.
- Be willing to examine your assumptions and judgments..

### The Ground Rules will foster community dialogue:

**Open-mindedness** by listening to and respecting all points of view

**Acceptance** by suspending judgment

**Curiosity** by seeking to understand rather than to persuade

**Discovery** by questioning old assumptions; Looking for new insights.

**Sincerity** by speaking for yourself about what has personal heart and meaning

**Brevity** by going for honesty and depth

### Interfaith Communities for Dialogue Mission

Promote understanding, respect and relationships among religiously and culturally diverse communities in Fairfax County and surrounding areas.

## Program ... 1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

1:30 pm	Registration	Lobby
2:00 pm	Welcome and Introduction Marie Monsen, Chair Interfaith Communities for Dialogue	Theatre
2:05 pm	Panel Presentation <i>Religious Freedom: Historical Context in the US</i> Dr. John Farina, Associate Professor of Religious Studies George Mason University <i>Religious Freedom: Current Issues in the US</i> K. Hollyn Hollman, General Counsel Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Liberty	Theatre
2:50 pm	Facilitated Small Group Dialogues (see page 4)	
3:50 pm	Muslim Prayer	Room 113
4:00 pm	Questions & Answers	Theatre
4:30 pm	Close	

## Dialogue Questions

1. What most surprised you, had the greatest impact on you, and/or resonated with you personally from the comments by the speakers?
2. What are some personal religious freedom challenges that you have faced? How did you address them?
3. What are the key lessons learned and take a ways from what you heard today?