

ABOUT THE USQ ISLAMIC CENTRE AND ISLAMIC SOCIETY OF TOOWOOMBA

The University of Southern Queensland has provided the Islamic Centre on Toowoomba campus for its Muslim students and staff. The Centre is run by the Islamic Society of Toowoomba (IST), and is used for all the religious needs of the local Muslims. It is open to all interested persons.

The IST is responsible for managing daily prayers, congregational prayers on Fridays, tarawi prayers in Ramadhan, and celebration of Eid prayers etc. in the Islamic Centre. It also organizes regular community meetings, dinners etc. each month. The ITS also runs a community service to supply Halal meat to Muslim families and students. Every year many school/college students and community groups visit Islamic Centre for information sessions on Islam and other contemporary issues.



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Everyone welcome to



USQ ISLAMIC CENTRE OPEN DAY 2011

DATE: WEDNESDAY 12 OCTOBER 2011

TIME: 11:30AM-2:30PM

Venues: USQ Quadrangle and Islamic Centre



**Islamic Society of Toowoomba Inc.
and USQ Multicultural Centre
Morning Tea: 11:30am Quadrangle**



The Islamic Society of Toowoomba (IST) Inc. is organising an Open Day at the USQ Islamic Centre for people of all faiths, particularly for our fellow non-Muslim members of the community. The event is scheduled from 11:30am to 2:30pm on Wednesday, 12 October 2011, and is supported by the USQ Multicultural Centre, Multicultural Affairs Queensland, and Pureland Learning College, Toowoomba.

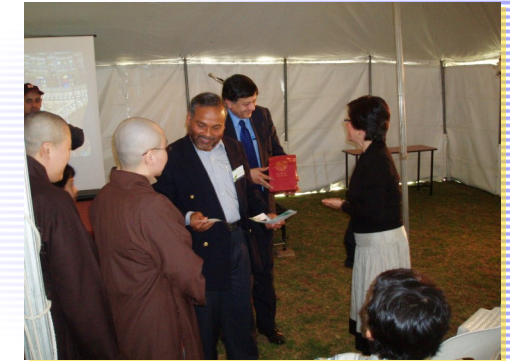
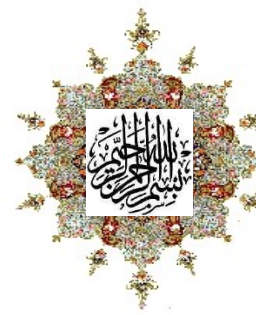
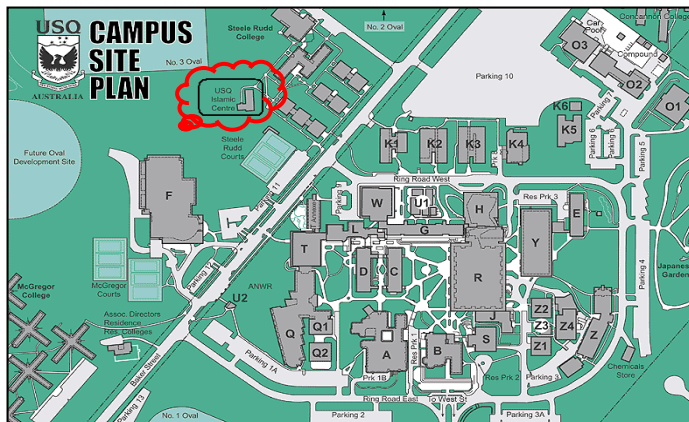
Open Day is an opportunity for our non-Muslim friends and fellow members of the wider community to mix and talk with local Muslims and find out more about the followers of Prophet Muhammed (peace be upon him) who was described, in the Quran, as a mercy to humanity.

The event is open to people of all ages and gender. This year it is particularly catered for USQ students and staff. Non revealing/modest dress would be appreciated. Activities and displays include posters of Islamic art and architecture, calligraphy, Islamic arts and crafts, brief presentations, information booths, stalls, mosque tours, distribution of information sheets and light refreshments.

We are privileged to have special guest speaker Mrs Faiza El-Higzi, who will give talk about Islam at the turn of the 21st Century.

Please come and join many others to experience a day of difference in your life. You are encouraged to talk, ask questions and have a first hand look at the Islamic worshipping. Your presence will help strengthen the community harmony and understanding in Toowoomba.

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PROGRAMS & SPEAKERS

11.30 – 12.00 Arrival, welcome, tea, socialization

(1) Main Program: **12:00pm-12:55pm (USQ Quadrangle)**

Quran recitation & translation

Official opening address, Guest Speakers, Key-note address, entertainment, questions and answers.

(2) Speakers: Professor Peter Goodall, Pro Vice-Chancellor of Social Justice;
Mr Evan Reichelt, USQ Chaplain Coordinator;
Imam Shahjahan Khan;
Faiza El-Higzi, Keynote speaker, Romero Centre, Mercy Family Services, Australia.

(3) Second Part of Program: **12.55 – 2.00pm (Islamic Centre)**

Welcome to the Islamic Centre;
Introductory comments;
Islamic Centre tour;
Salat and Duwa (prayer and supplication).

(4) Lunch provided by the Muslim Community of Toowoomba and interaction between program participants: **2.00pm – 2.30pm**

General discussion, poster display, information booths, and Arabic calligraphy.

2.30pm Closing, feedback

