

Invite you to a Talk and Discussion on

Iran and the US: Beyond the 'Axis of Evil'

led by

Professor Omid Safi

Associate Professor of Islamic Studies at UNC-Chapel-Hill

When:

Sunday

January 28, 2007

4-6pm

Talk & Discussion 4-5:30 pm

Refreshments following



Where:

**Durham Friends Meeting
House**

**404 Alexander Avenue,
Durham, NC**

Near the Duke University West Campus



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Professor Omid Safi is an associate professor of Islamic Studies at University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He specializes on contemporary Islamic thought, and medieval Islamic history. He is the Chair for the Study of Islam at the American Academy of Religion, the largest international organization devoted to the academic study of religion.

Omid has been nominated six times at Colgate for the "Professor of the Year" award, and before that twice at Duke University for the Distinguished Lecturer award.

He is the editor of the volume *Progressive Muslims: On Justice, Gender, and Pluralism* (Oxford: Oneworld Publications, 2003). In this volume, he brought together fifteen Muslim scholars and activists to imagine a new understanding of Islam which is rooted in social justice, gender equality, and religious/ethnic pluralism. His work *Islam and the Politics of Knowledge*, dealing with medieval Islamic history and politics, was published by UNC Press in 2006. He has written three books, over 30 articles and some 75 encyclopedia entries and book reviews. He has been featured a number of times on NPR, Associated Press, CNN, NBC, and other national and international media.



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