

## Noor Cultural Centre

### Islamic History Month Canada – Resources

In 2007, Parliament designated October as [Islamic History Month Canada](#), to celebrate the history, and intellectual, scientific and cultural contributions of Muslims and Islamic civilizations. Since 2016, October is also recognized as [Islamic Heritage Month](#) in Ontario.

#### Videos –

- [Science & Islam, Parts 1-3](#) (BBC, 2009)
- [An Islamic History of Europe](#) (BBC, 2009)
- [What the Ancients Did For Us: Islamic Civilization](#) (BBC, 2005)
- [When the Moors Ruled in Europe](#) (Acorn Media, 2005)
- [The Story of Maths: The Genius of the East](#) (BBC, 2008)
- [Art of Spain: The Moorish South](#) (BBC, 2008)
- [The Rise & Fall of Islamic Spain](#) (PBS, 2007)
- [The Man Who Walked Across the World – Part 1, Part 2, Part 3](#) (BBC, 2007)
- [Hidden Civilisation: Paradise Found](#) (BBC, ND)
- [The Lost Libraries of Timbuktu](#) (BBC, 2010)

#### Articles –

- [There Was No Black ‘Contribution’ to Islam](#) (2017)  
“this article . . . confront[s] the implicit way Black Muslims are often regarded as fringe associates rather than inherent fellows.”
- [Islam’s invented Golden Age](#) (2013)  
“it has become apparent that simple and naïve binaries, such as reason vs. revelation, rationalist vs. scripturalist, Golden Age vs. Dark Ages, and philosopher vs. mulla, must simply be discarded”
- [The Lost Female Scholars of Islam](#) (N.D)  
“when I started, I thought there may be thirty to forty women, but as the study progressed, the accounts of female scholars kept growing and growing, until eventually there were no less than 8,000 biographical accounts to be found. Such vast numbers truly testify to the huge role that women have played in the preservation and development of Islamic learning since the time of the blessed Prophet Muhammad.”

#### Websites –

- [100I Inventions](#)

#### Books –

- [100I Inventions & Awesome Facts from Muslim Civilization](#) (appropriate for children) (2012)
- [100I Inventions: The Enduring Legacy of Muslim Civilizations](#) (2012)
- [The Genius of Islam](#) (appropriate for children) (2011)
- [Extraordinary Women from the Muslim World](#) (appropriate for children) (2008)
- [Islam: Art and Architecture](#) (2015)

- [Islamic Technology: An Illustrated History](#) (1992)
- [Lost History: The Enduring Legacy of Muslim Scientists, Thinkers, and Artists](#) (2008)

## Islam & The Prophet Muhammad

- Event Recording | ['Muhammad: Prophet of Peace Amid the Clash of Empires' by Prof. Juan Cole](#) (Noor Cultural Centre, January 19, 2019)
- *Islam – A Short History*, by Karen Armstrong (Modern Library, 2002)
- *Muhammad: A Prophet of Our Time*, by Karen Armstrong (Harperone, 2007)
- *In the Footsteps of the Prophet: Lessons from the Life of Muhammad*, by Tariq Ramadan (Oxford University Press, 2007)
- *The Story of the Qur'an – Its History and Place in Muslim Life*, by Ingrid Mattson (Blackwell Publishing, 2008)
- *Major Themes of the Qur'an*, by Fazlur Rahman (Bibliotheca Islamica, 1989)
- *The Qur'an: A User's Guide*, by Farid Esack (Oneworld, 2005)
- *Hadith: Muhammad's Legacy in the Medieval and Modern World*, by Jonathan A C Brown (Oneworld, 2009)
- *And God Alone Knows the Soldiers: The Authoritative and Authoritarian in Islamic Discourse*, by Khaled Abou El Fadl (University Press of America, 2011)
- *The Pocket Idiot's Guide to Islam*, by Jamal J Elias (Pearson Education Inc, 2003)
- *Animals in the Qur'an*, by Sarra Tlili (Cambridge University Press, 2012)