

Canadian Association  
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**2026 CASIM Entanglements Conference Queen's University**

**Robert Sutherland Hall 202 (unless otherwise indicated)**

**Day one: May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026**

**8:30AM:** Light breakfast with tea and coffee available

**9am to 9:30am:** opening speeches and welcoming remarks (including by Muslims in Canada Archives ([MiCA](#)) by Aly Rattansi).

**9:30am to 11:00am:**

**Session 1: Digital and Popular Entanglements**

Moderator: Sailaja Krishnamurti, Faculty, Queen's University

A. Muhammad Muneeb Rehman, Western University, PhD Student

Title: Legacies Entangled and Reshaped: The Case of Muhammad Ali, Media Technologies and the Digital Remaking of Sport Icons Through Algorithms and AI

B. Samia Khan, Queen's University, PhD Candidate

Title of Presentation: Entangled Narratives: Bollywood, Hegemony, and the "War of Position" in Contemporary India.

C. Manaal Alsabagh, McMaster University, PhD Student

Title: Entangled Flows: TikTok, Amazigh Indigeneity, and Muslim Feminist World-Making in the French Diaspora

D. Sarah Abou-Bakr, Concordia University, graduate student

Title: Reshaping the Narrative: Muslim Women and Alternative Media in Canada

**11:00am to 11:30am: Coffee break**

**11:30am to 1pm - concurrent sessions**

## **Session 2: Formations of Muslim Subjectivity: Text, Memory, and Race**

### **Room: Robert Sutherland Hall 448**

Moderator: Amélie Barras, Faculty, York University

A. Malik Faisal Aslam, Wilfrid Laurier University, PhD Student

Title of presentation: Entangled Ethics: Re-Reading Qur'an 4:34 Through Hermeneutics, Gendered Power, and Islamic Moral Trajectories

B. Shemine Gulamhusein, University of Victoria, Faculty

Title: When Belonging Isn't a Given: Disrupting Narratives of Inclusion in Recreation

C. Nadiya Ali, Trent University, Faculty

Title: Black Muslimness and Racial entanglements

## **Session 3: Memories, Histories, and Heritage**

### **Room: Robert Sutherland Hall 202**

Moderator: Adnan Husain, Faculty, Queen's University

A. Fawaz Abdul Salam, Department of Religions and Cultures, Concordia University, Postdoctoral Researcher

Title: Thinking about the Anthropology of Muslim Ruins and Heritage: A View from Istanbul

B. Amanie Antar, University of Toronto, Postdoctoral Researcher

Title: Tears and Testimony in Andalusia: Witnessing the Conquest of Granada (c. 1492)

C. Mincheva Dilyana McMaster University, Faculty

Title: Borders of Resonance: Bulgarian Muslim Memory and the Dissonant Echo of Palestine.

### **1 to 2pm: Lunch**

### **2pm to 3:30pm: Session 5: Roundtable**

Moderator: Natasha Bakht, Faculty, University of Ottawa

Islamophobic Dis/Continuities: Roundtable Discussion on the Temporality of Islamophobia.

With Sanobar Umar (York University), Nadiya Ali (Trent University), Amélie Barras (York University), Nadia Hasan (York University).

**3:30 to 4:00pm: Coffee break**

**4:00pm to 6:00pm (Queen's University Club): Keynote followed by reception**

Dr. Jasmin Zine (Wilfrid Laurier University): Unpacking Islamophobia's Ecosystem in Canada: Unholy Alliances and Strategic Entanglements.

Reception co-sponsored by York University Islamophobia Hub

**Day Two: May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026**

**9AM:** Light breakfast with tea and coffee available

**9:30 to 11:00am**

**Session: 1 Futures, Reclamation, and Resistance**

Moderator: Natasha Bakht, Faculty, University of Ottawa

A. Ayesha Mian Akran and Zain Jassani, University of Calgary, Faculty and student

Title: Entangled Fashion: The Politics of Self-Reclamation and Futurity amongst Young Muslim Women in Canada

B. Heather Porter Abu Deiab, University of Calgary, Faculty

Title: Building Muslim Futurisms through Speculative Fiction

**11:00 to 11:30 am: Coffee break**

**11:30am to 1pm - concurrent sessions**

**Session 2: Entangled Ethics**

**Robert Sutherland Hall 202**

Moderator: Melanie Adrian, Faculty, University of Carleton.

A. Hussain Alhussainy and Ethan Egert, The University of Alberta and The University of Guelph, graduate students.

Title: Islamic Ethics and Disability Inclusion: Socio-Political Challenges and Prospects in Lebanon and Iraq

B. Faezeh Izadi, University of Calgary, PhD Student

Title: The Entanglement of Ethical Frameworks: Re-reading Islamic Philanthropic Ethics in an Age of Global Crisis

C. Shambhavi Siddhi, Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies, UWO, Graduate Student

Title: Ethical Entanglements: Kashmiri Muslim Women's Embodied Agency, Islamic Practice, and the Politics of Survival

**Session 3: Intersecting Solidarities: Muslim Belonging, Racism, and Global-Local Struggles in Canada**

**Robert Sutherland 448**

Moderator: Nadia Hasan, Faculty, York University

A. Nabila Huq, Queen's University, PhD Student

Title: Solidarity Between Indigenous Peoples and Palestinians: An Underutilized Link Among Muslims Across Canada

B. Bouchra Mossmann, University of Southern Denmark // University of Victoria (CSRS), PhD Student

Title: Muslim Solidarities and Everyday Global-Local Connections in Northern Canada

C. Amarnath Amarsingam, Queen's University, Faculty

Title of Presentation: Conspiracy Theories, Islamophobia, and Anti-Palestinian Racism: A Survey of Canadians on the Impacts of Foreign Conflicts

**1pm to 2pm: Lunch**

**2pm to 3pm**

**Large Group "Gathering" and Conclusion (Chaired by Ayesha Mian Akram, Faculty, University of Calgary)**