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In Support of our Muslim Neighbors, join us at these upcoming Community Events

Ramadan Sign Project (Sponsored by InterFaith Works)

May 26 – June 25

Purchase signs at InterFaith Works of CNY office: 1010 James St., Syracuse NY 13203 or at the Duck Race on June 10 at the Syracuse Inner Harbor.

\$15 per lawn sign

During the holy season of Ramadan, InterFaith Works of Central New York and its Round Table of Faith Leaders is offering faith organizations and individual community members the opportunity to display a lawn sign that wishes our Muslim friends a Blessed Ramadan.

We have received the endorsement of the Muslim leaders of our community for this show of friendship and support.

For more information please contact InterFaith Works', InterFaith Initiatives director, Gracious Moyo. 315-449-3552, ext. 111 or gmoyo@interfaithworkscny.org

Local Ramadan Iftar Dinners Open to the Public

1. Muslim American Society Al-Huda Mosque

Every Friday and Saturday for the entire month of Ramadan (May 27-June 25)

8:00 p.m.

4524 McDonald Road Syracuse, NY 13215

2. Ahmadiyya Muslim Community Ramadan Iftar Dinner

Every Friday and Saturday from June 2 to June 24

8:00 p.m.

6650 Old Collamer Road North, E. Syracuse, NY 13057

Islam in American Culture: Can We Bridge the Divide? (Sponsored by InterFaith Works' Seeds of Peace)

Saturday, June 17

12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Near Westside Peacemaking Center, 601 Tully St., Syracuse NY 13204

FREE

Please join us for a community dialogue facilitated by InterFaith Works' Seeds of Peace. Seeds of Peace are local high school students trained as peacebuilders. The goal of the dialogue is to explore differing perspectives and provide a safe space for questions, ideas and stories. Light refreshments will be served.

Space is limited. RSVP to Lisa at 315-266-4349 or VavonesL@courtinnovation.org by Thursday, June 15.

World Refugee Day Community Orientation (Co-Sponsored by RISE and InterFaith Works)

Tuesday, June 20

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

CNY Philanthropy Center, 431 E. Fayette Street, Syracuse, NY 13202

FREE but please register at:

<http://www.interfaithworkscny.org/event/world-refugee-day-community-orientation/>

This is a Community Orientation about Inclusion and the Syracuse Refugee Experience. In celebration of World Refugee Day, join us for an information session about Syracuse's refugee communities. Learn more about the everyday issues and concerns faced by refugees; the institutions, facilities and agencies that support New Americans; and the ways that an engaged citizenry can help newcomers to our communities.

For more information, contact InterFaith Works' Center for New Americans, director Olive Sephuma. 315-449-3552, ext. 205 or OSephuma@interfaithworkscny.org.

World Refugee Day Celebration! “Come as Strangers, Leave as Friends” (Co-Sponsored by RISE and InterFaith Works)

Tuesday, June 20

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

710 Hawley Ave., Syracuse, NY 13203

\$20 Suggested Donation. Refugees/former refugees are free.

To register: <http://www.interfaithworkscny.org/event/world-refugee-day-celebration-come-as-strangers-leave-as-friends/>

Join us in a celebration of culture, community and cuisine. Come for flavorful food, great performances and memorable dialogue.

Keynote Speaker: Mayor Stephanie A. Miner

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Spirit of America (Sponsored by InterFaith Works)

June 30 – July 2

Purchase yard signs or banners at InterFaith Works of CNY office, 1010 James St., Syracuse NY 13203 or at the Duck Race on June 10 at the Syracuse Inner Harbor

As the United States prepares to observe Independence Day, InterFaith Works of Central New York invites the public, organizations and faith communities to participate in its *Spirit of America: Liberty, Diversity, Dignity* project to celebrate the diversity of our country. The project will kick off the weekend of Friday, June 30 through Sunday, July 2; however, organizations that are unable to celebrate the *Spirit of America* that weekend may participate until Labor Day.

As part of the *Spirit of America* project, InterFaith Works will make available the following resources:

- A New American (former refugee) to speak to your organization about his/her personal experiences as a refugee and a New American. A member of InterFaith Works’ staff, Board of Directors or Round Table of Faith Leaders will accompany the New American.
- Resource packet that will include items that may be used to help promote the project. These items include text for notices, website and social media; a link to a video of two young refugees telling their personal stories; interfaith devotions; and a fact sheet about InterFaith Works and its refugee resettlement program.

- Yard sign that reads *Spirit of America: Liberty, Diversity, Dignity*. (Cost to cover production costs: \$15.)
- Banner (6 feet long x 3 feet tall) that reads *Spirit of America: Liberty, Diversity, Dignity* to display on the interior or exterior of your building. (Cost to cover production costs: \$70.)

Yard signs and banners may be purchased individually.

For more information about the *Spirit of America* project, please contact the Rev. Gracious Moyo, director of interfaith initiatives, at gmoyo@interfaithworkscny.org or call 315-449-3552, ext. 111.

InterFaith Works of Central New York

[InterFaith Works of Central New York](#), through education service and dialogue, affirms the dignity of each person and every faith community and works to create relationships and understanding. Founded in 1976, InterFaith Works addresses deeply embedded social divisions leading to community action and policy change. InterFaith Works' social service programs address the needs of and empower people who are vulnerable, low income and targets of oppression, including refugees, the elderly and the institutionalized, through direct service and educational programs. InterFaith Works is committed to the belief that all people are deserving of dignity and respect regardless of ethnicity, faith tradition, social circumstances or age. Key programs include the following: [Ahmad & Elizabeth El-Hindi Center for Dialogue](#), [Center for New Americans](#), [Senior Services](#) and [InterFaith Initiatives](#).