

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.

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 organises regular community meetings, dinners etc. each month. The IST also runs a community service to supply Halal meat to Muslim families and students.



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USQ ISLAMIC CENTRE OPEN DAY 2007

DATE: SATURDAY 18 AUGUST 2007

TIME: 10:00AM-3:00PM



Islamic Society of Toowoomba Inc.
and
USQ Multicultural Centre



The Islamic Society of Toowoomba, 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 10 am to 3 pm on Saturday, 18 August 2007, and is supported by the Multicultural Centre at the University of Southern Queensland.

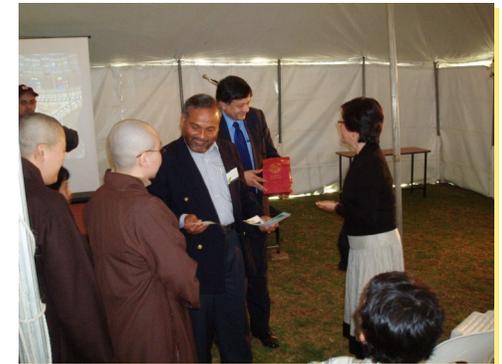
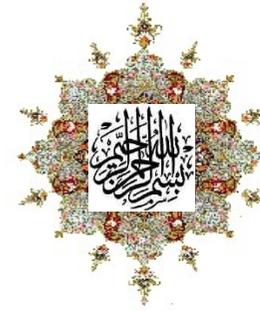
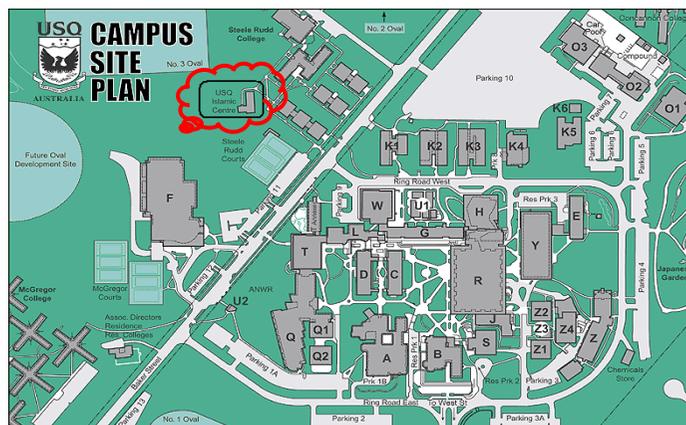
Open Day is an opportunity for our non-Muslim friends and fellow members of the wider community to mix and talk with local Muslims and find out more about the followers of Prophet Muhammed (peace be upon him) who was described, in the Quran, as a mercy to humanity.

The event is open to all ages, and childcare is provided for those families who wish to use it for part or all of the day. 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 Mr Gary Lee Edwards, Director of Studies for the Forum on Australia's Islamic Relations (FAIR), who will give talk about Islam as a Universal Faith.

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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PROGRAM

(1) Main Program

- 09.45 – 10.00 Welcome
- 10.00 – 10.10 Commencement of program - Quran recitation & translation
- 10.10 – 10.20 Welcome address by Associate Professor Shahjahan Khan, President of the Islamic Society of Toowoomba,
- 10.20 – 10.30 Opening address by Professor Bill Lovegrove, Vice-Chancellor of USQ
- 10.30 – 11.00 Morning tea with cultural socialisation
- 11.00 – 11.45 Presentation by Guest Speaker Mr Gary Lee Edwards, followed by questions and answers
- 11.45 – 12.15 Traditional Islamic songs
- 12.15 – 12.45 Prayer and Islamic Centre tour
- 12.45 – 13.45 Refreshments
- 1.45 – 2.45 General discussion, poster display & information booths, kids' entertainment
- 2.45 – 3.00 Closing.

(2) Parallel Program (for Kids)

- 10.00 – 10.30 General gathering
- 11.00 – 11.45 Art competition and calligraphy
- 1.45 – 2.45 Kids' entertainment and competition announcement