

**PRESENTATIONS/PANEL:
HOW ARE MUSLIM STUDENTS FARING AND FEELING IN A COUNTRY DIVIDED
AS ISLAMOPHOBIA CONTINUES TO ESCALATE**

Date/Time: October 1, 2017 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

**Venue: Fourth Avenue United Methodist Church, 318 W. St. Catherine, Louisville, KY 40203.
Please enter on St. Catherine's Street, event is in the Parlor.**

This event is being co-sponsored by the Fourth Avenue Methodist Church, the Central Presbyterian Church, The Guiding Light Islamic Center, St Williams Catholic Community and the Cathedral of the Assumption.

MODERATOR:

Dr. Bradley Bowman is Assistant Professor of History, Middle East and Islamic Studies at U of L. He received his Ph. D. from the University of Chicago in Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations and specializes in early Islamic history. He is Faculty Adviser to the Muslim Students Association (M.S.A.) at U of who serves as a liaison between Louisville-based Muslim students and the larger community..

STUDENT PANELISTS:

Ajsa Karacic – UofL MSA, (country of origin is Bosnia)

Zainab Alyasseri - MSA President at Atherton HS (country of origin is Palestine)

Mina Ibrahim –Uof L MSA (country of origin is Iraq)

Shayaan Khan – Uof L MSA (country of origin is Pakistan)

Omar Mostafa - UofL MSA, studying at Spalding University (country of origin is Egypt)

Leen Abozaid - UofL MSA Officer (country of origin is Palestine/Jordan)

Ayesha Wahidi - former Bellarmine University student now studying at DePaul University in Chicago who is willing to come to Louisville for the panel-presentation (country of origin is Pakistan)

The questions which the student panelists will be considering are: "As things have become more and more divisive over the past year or so, have you witnessed this in your personal lives? If so, could you provide examples and offer possible solutions? If not, what might the absence of this anxiety say about Louisville? We refer to Louisville as a "Compassionate City" and "Beloved Community" – would you endorse this on the basis of what you have experienced individually or collectively in our city?

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