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Dear Friend,

This holiday season offers us an opportunity to reflect on how we have weathered another year of challenges only to emerge even stronger. And we couldn't have done it without you. For that, and so much more, we are truly grateful.

Together, we have navigated the uncertainties of COVID-19, and are finding common ground through stories that speak to our experiences and the experiences of our neighbors. We are driving a vision of polyculturalism that centers connectivity as a catalyst for strengthening social cohesion. We *are* the change we want to see. The anti-tribalists, the curious, and the hospitable.

Please consider making a gift to Silk Road Rising by December 31st. Your contribution supports a growing community of artmakers and storytellers committed to creating a more vibrant and democratic America.

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Community Spotlight

In 2013, Silk Road Rising hosted Alaudin Ullah and Avirodh Sharma in Chicago for staged readings of *Dishwasher Dreams*, directed by Chay Yew, as part of our Ismaili Community Story Exchange project. We are so thrilled to see Alaudin and Avirodh back in Chicagoland for an exciting full production of this humorous, inspiring, and thought-provoking show. Read more below, then click the image to buy tickets. Don't forget to use coupon code SILKROAD for a discount!

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Alaudin Ullah

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Avirodh Sharma

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