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Mosque Alert

World Premiere

Written by Jamil Khoury - Directed by Edward Torres



From Playwright Jamil Khoury:

"I should thank Donald Trump. If *Mosque Alert* was relevant when we first started, that relevance has since exploded. Today the play exists within a cultural zeitgeist animated by fears of immigrants, fears of Muslims, demographic anxiety attacks, and calls to erect walls and impose bans—a more optimistic read is that of one big messy America trying to work it out for the better.

With *Mosque Alert* we're seizing the gray areas and inviting audiences to grapple with unsettling truths about our post-9/11 world: namely, the resistance to mosque-building in communities across the US, and what that resistance tells us about ourselves.

When Silk Road Rising launched *Mosque Alert* as a digital online initiative four and a half years ago, how could I have guessed that my three fictional families in Naperville, Illinois, with intertwined lives and competing worldviews, would drive a story so reflective of actual mosque battles and presidential politics in 2016? *Mosque Alert*, I believe, not only responds to the current climate, but gives new spin to the adage 'life imitates art.'"

To learn more, visit www.mosquealert.org >>

DATES

March 24 – May 1, 2016

TICKETS



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Behind the Scenes with *Mosque Alert*!



Ted Baker (Mark Ulrich, left) and Emily Baker (Rengin Altay, right) in a tense exchange with their children Jen (Nina Ganet) and Carl (Riley McIlveen).



Tawfiq Qabbani (Rom Barkhordar, left), Mostafa Khalil (Frank Sawa, center) and Ted Baker (Mark Ulrich, right) look on while Daniel Baker (Steve Silver) launches into an incendiary speech.

Mosque Alert opens in 8 days, and rehearsals are heating up!

Read more at PR Newswire [HERE >>](#)

Indivisible, with Liberty and Justice For All

South Asian American communities are no strangers to Islamophobia. In post-9/11 America, Muslims, Hindus, and Sikhs have been victims of anti-Muslim prejudice.

In her essay, *Indivisible, with Liberty and Justice For All*, Silk Road Rising's Marketing Coordinator Rachna Sheth reflects on Islamophobia within and beyond South Asian communities.

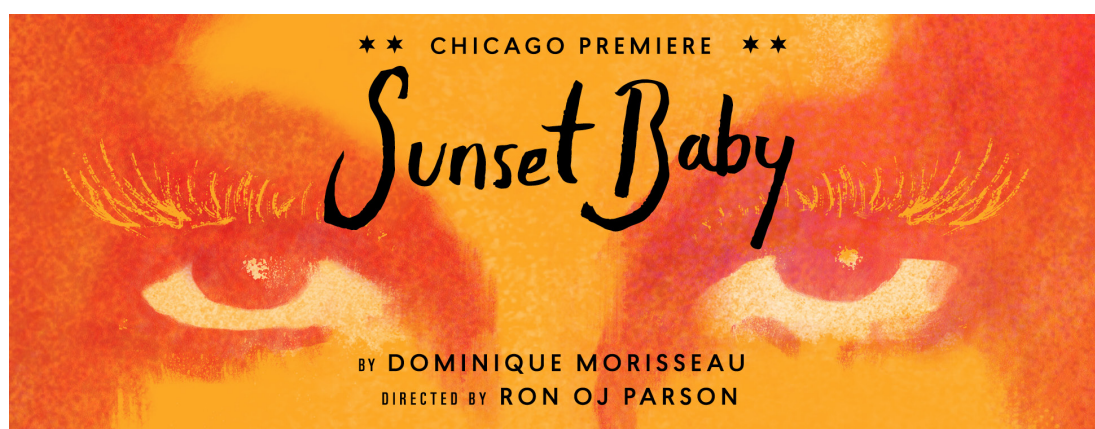


Sikh immigrants to California posing for a group portrait in 1910. (California State Library)

When Sikh American Inderjit Singh Mukker, father of two, left his home in Darien, Illinois, on a Tuesday afternoon in September 2015, he did not expect anything out of the ordinary to take place. He certainly didn't expect someone to drive up next to him and start yelling slurs of 'terrorist!' and 'Bin Laden!' He didn't expect to be approached on his driver's side window. He didn't expect to be beaten bloody until he lost consciousness. If this happened to you, how scared would you be?

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