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Breaking Fast

**An Online Salon featuring
Writer/Director Mike Mosallam and
Members of the Cast**

**Saturday, June 12, 2021 at 2:00PM
CDT**

Set against the twinkling lights of West Hollywood, *Breaking Fast* (1hr 32min) is a romantic comedy that follows Mo, a practicing Muslim still reeling from heartbreak. When an All-American guy named Kal offers to join him in his nightly Iftars—the traditional meal eaten by Muslims during Ramadan—meal after meal, the two start to discover they have more in common than meets the eye.

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our June 12 event. The film can be watched on [Hulu](#) or you can visit [the film's website](#) for other streaming options.



Check Out the Trailer

Join Co-Founder and Co-Executive Artistic Director Jamil Khoury for a virtual conversation with the film's writer and director, Mike Mosallam, along with some of the cast members, and including snippets from the film. Mosallam is a queer Arab Muslim filmmaker based in California.



Reserve a Free Ticket to the Discussion

Heritage Month



May is Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month—a celebration of Asians and Pacific Islanders in the United States. A rather broad term, Asian/Pacific encompasses all of the Asian continent and the Pacific Islands of Southeast Asia, Melanesia, Micronesia, and Polynesia.

Join us in celebrating the rich contributions and riveting stories of America's diverse Asian/Pacific communities.

The month of May was chosen to commemorate the arrival of the first Japanese immigrants to the United States on May 7, 1843, and to mark the anniversary of the completion of the transcontinental railroad on May 10, 1869. The majority of the workers who laid the tracks for the railroad were Chinese immigrants.

Read More at asianpacificheritage.gov

Aid for India



India is now leading the world in daily COVID-19 related deaths, accounting for one in every three COVID deaths reported worldwide each day. As the coronavirus surges, India finds itself in desperate need of oxygen, food, vaccines, and more. If you wish to help with this dire situation, here is a [list of suggested charities](#) from the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS).

Learn More at PBS

“Why is this Swedish?”

Saturday, May 23, 2021 at 2:00PM CDT

A conversation about Anna C. Bahow's mixed Swedish and Syrian heritage, and her artistic journey with Swedish Tunisian playwright Jonas Hassen Khemiri.



Join Silk Road Rising Artistic Associate Anna C. Bahow (director of our 2013 production of Jonas Hassen Khemiri's *Invasion!*) for this free online talk from Andersonville's Swedish American Museum.

"The Andersonville neighborhood in Chicago feels like home to me because it has Swedish and Middle Eastern bakeries, restaurants, shops, and the Swedish American Museum and Brunk Children's Immigrant Museum that speaks to my own heritage. My work directing the Swedish play *Invasion!* led me to an exploration of diversity in Chicago, in America, and in Sweden, and in the stories we tell ourselves." - Anna C. Bahow

This talk inaugurates a virtual exhibit celebrating the diversity of the Andersonville neighborhood, the diversity of Swedish American communities, and the diversity of Sweden itself.

Learn More and Register by Clicking Here



Eid Mubarak!
Wishing a happy
and blessed Eid al Fitr
to our Silk Road Rising family.
Ramadan Kareem!



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