

April 17-19, 2012

Bediüzzaman Said Nursi Chair  
In Islamic Studies Presents:

## The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Week of Islamic Art & Culture

The Nursi Chair in Islamic Studies was established at John Carroll University in 2003 in order to promote the teachings and vision of Bediüzzaman Said Nursi (1876-1960), a scholar of Islam from Turkey who dedicated his entire life to the teachings of the Qur'an. A prolific writer, Nursi wrote over 100 books and treatises on Islamic subjects.

His magnum opus is the multi-volume work Risale-i Nur (The Treatises of Light). The Nursi Chair Endowment supports courses on Islam taught within John Carroll's Theology & Religious Studies department and community events, including:

- An annual week of Islamic art and culture.
- An annual community Iftar Dinner during the holy month of Ramadan.
- Lecture series featuring internationally-recognized speakers on topics of interest to Islamic Studies.
- Film and art events about Islam.
- Community interfaith dialogues.
- Support for Muslim student group activities.



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## **Interactive Exhibition of Islamic Art of Ebru, Calligraphy & Crafts**

**Where:** Gallery, Dolan Center for Science & Technology

**When:** 10:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**ALL EVENTS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC  
FEEL FREE TO BRING YOUR FRIENDS & STUDENTS**

### **April 17**

#### **Film: “A Righteous Servant of God”**

*(Allah'in Sadik Kulu)*

*The Life of Bediüzzaman Said Nursi*

**Where:** Donahue Auditorium  
Dolan Center for Science & Technology

**When:** 6:30 p.m.



The film specifically recounts Nursi's years in Barla, a town in Isparta province, where he stayed for seven years between 1927 and 1934.

***Refreshments will be served.***

### **April 18**

#### **Lecture: Ibn Khaldun: Muslim Humanist**

*Dr. Paul Heck, Georgetown University*

**Where:** Donahue Auditorium  
Dolan Center for Science & Technology

**When:** 7 p.m.

*Co-Sponsored by The Walter & Mary Tuohy Chair  
of Interreligious Studies*



Dr. Paul L. Heck, Associate Professor of Islamic Studies at Georgetown University's Department of Theology



Ibn Khaldun is the most important figure in the field of History and Sociology in Islamic history. He is one of those shining stars that contributed so richly to the understanding of civilization.

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### **April 19**

## **Sufi Music**

**Where:** Gallery  
Dolan Center for Science & Technology

**When:** 6:30 p.m.



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