

World Religions in New Jersey: Unity in Diversity

A two-day seminar will be held at the Millburn Free Public Library, Millburn, New Jersey, about the basic beliefs of major world's religions practiced by the followers of diverse cultures in the state.

Seminar Website: www.worldreligionsnj.i8.com

Program Dates: March 08, 2008, Saturday- 10:30 AM to 4:30 PM.
March 09, 2008, Sunday- 01:30 PM to 4:30 PM.

Location: Millburn Free Public Library
200 Glen Ave, Millburn, NJ 07041
www.millburn.lib.nj.us/directions.htm



During humanity's long history, man's search for God/Self has led to many pathways. The result has been an enormous diversity of religious expressions. After the tragic events of September 11, there has been a renewed interest in other cultures and religions. Moreover, our global well-being has made the need to understand human history and diverse cultures more critical than ever before.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

The presentations on Saturday will describe the basic beliefs of major religions including Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism, Islam, Jainism, Judaism, and Sikhism; as well as the oriental philosophies of Shinto, Taoism and Confucianism. The shorter session on Sunday will include an overview of world religions and a question answer session with a panel of representatives from major faiths. A summary of major religions and other reading material will also be provided to each participant.

PROGRAM SPONSORS: International Jain Sangh, Spiritual Unity Network, Surya Theosophical Study Center, Monmouth Center for World Religions and Ethical Thought, Worldwide Renaissance, Center for Understanding Islam, Federation of Jain Associations in North America, Jain Study Center of North Carolina.

PROGRAM FACULTY:

Pravin K. Shah conducts such seminars across the US, Canada and the UK, besides making presentations at universities and interfaith programs. He has also lectured on this subject in global forums including the Parliament of World Religions held in Chicago, Cape Town and Barcelona; and the World's Religion's Congress held in Montreal. He chairs the Education Committee of the Federation of Jain Associations in North America and resides in North Carolina. His edited book 'Essence of World Religions' has been very well received by many interfaith organizations.

Prof. Pankaj Jain teaches World's Religions in the New Jersey City University. His other teaching assignments include Asian Traditions in Rutgers and Kean Universities. The Sunday **panel members** will represent many religious and interfaith organizations.

NUMBER OF SEATS: 70.

REGISTRATION and SPONSORSHIP:

Pre-registration is required along with a non-refundable nominal fee of \$10 per person by March 03, 2008. It includes vegetarian lunch on Saturday, Snacks on Sunday, and reading material. Registration will be confirmed by email or phone. www.worldreligionsnj.i8.com

Sponsorships are welcome at \$50 or more per organization or individual and will receive two complimentary seats for the entire seminar.

SEMINAR REGISTRATION FORM:

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March 08, 2008, Saturday and March 09, 2008, Sunday

Name(s): _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone No.: _____

Email (Please print) _____

Check Number: _____

Please send the registration form and check made payable to "International Jain Sangh" or "Spiritual Unity Network" to one of the program coordinators:

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