

The Similarities of Difference



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National Bahá'í
Centre
24, Burlington
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When
On Friday, May
19th, 2017
7.00 p.m to 9.30
p.m.

A Panel Discussion with...

Roja Fazaeli

Roja is a Lecturer in Islamic Civilisation(s) at TCD. With an American husband and an Irish daughter Roja has a rich and diverse family life which she described in a recent article in the Irish Times. "For us Ireland is home. The US is home. Iran is home. We have reconciled our faiths and have found much common ground between my Shia Muslim upbringing and Joel's formation in the Presbyterian Church (USA). We have conversed night and day about how to bring up our Dublin born daughter, teaching her Persian, teaching her how to love and be kind. Teaching her humanity."

Bahiyyih Nakhjavani

Bahiyyih is an author and educator. She has written many non-fiction works about fundamentalism and education as well as a number of novels - *Us and Them* (2016), *The Woman Who Read Too Much* (2015), *Paper* (2005) and *The Saddlebag* (2001). Her novels have been published in French, Italian, Spanish, German, Dutch, Greek, Turkish, Hebrew, Russian and Korean. Bahiyyih's latest novel, *Us and Them*, examines the experience of migration through the universal lens of family and explores the idea that there is little real difference between 'us' and 'them.' Bahiyyih grew up in Uganda, was educated in the United Kingdom and the United States, and now lives in France.

Sarah Sabour-Pickett

Sarah was born in Co. Galway to an Iraqi mother and an Irish father. As one of three children in the Sabour-Pickett household, Sarah spent the majority of her childhood and youth living in County Cavan. After finishing her schooling in Cavan, Sarah studied to be an Optometrist, graduating in 2007. She subsequently went on to complete her PhD in Visual Science in 2012. She now lives in Co. Kildare with her American husband, Kent Chadwick, and their daughter. Sarah currently works part-time as a lecturer in the Dublin Institute of Technology and also serves in a volunteer capacity within the Baha'i community.

RSVP by Wednesday, May 17th to informationoffice@bahai.ie