



# AWARDS BANQUET FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN HAMILTON & HALTON

BURLINGTON CONVENTION CENTRE

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: AMAL ALBAZ

SUNDAY MAY 29<sup>TH</sup>

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SPONSORSHIP PACKAGE

Educational Muslim Achievement Awards Night  
Promoting Education and Celebrating Muslim Student Achievements

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## ABOUT EMAAN

EMAAN is an initiative of the Muslim Association of Canada (MAC), a religious, educational, charitable and non-profit organization. EMAAN was established in 2002 to recognize the achievement of Muslim students in Edmonton and to promote education - a fundamental principle of Islam. The program is in its 15<sup>th</sup> year having evolved into a comprehensive program that celebrates the excellence of Muslim youth in academics, athletics and community involvement at the high school level. Over the years, EMAAN programs have been established in 6 large cities in Canada including Edmonton, Calgary, Ottawa, London, Waterloo and Windsor. In order to celebrate the diverse, vibrant, and enthusiastic Muslim youth in our community, this is our second year for EMAAN in Hamilton, and we expanding our horizon to include Halton region as well. EMAAN honors each participating student from Hamilton-Halton who achieve academic excellence, and will be awarding two scholarships of \$500.00 each for special students who excel above and beyond their peers in different areas of interest including arts, science, religion and athletics. The following is a list of our special recognition scholarship awards:

- Best High School MSA Award
- Achievement of Excellence Scholarship
- Quran Recitation Scholarship
- Community Service Scholarship
- Journalism and Literature Scholarship
- Visual Arts Scholarship
- Innovation Scholarship
- Athletic Scholarship







**“O MY LORD! INCREASE ME IN KNOWLEDGE.” (QURAN 20:114)**

## OUR MISSION

To encourage youth in our community to seek knowledge, to promote academic excellence, and to empower youth to become active members in their community.

## OUR VISION

Islam has taught us that wisdom is the property of the lost believer, wherever he/she finds it, he/she is deserving of it. As Muslims, we are encouraged to excel in all aspects of our life and to serve as essential members in society. To truly engage within our community and produce Islamic leaders that promote the values of our religion, we hope to encourage youth to follow their dreams and pursue academic careers that will leave an impact both locally, and globally.

***We ask Allah (SWT) to make us sincere, to help us perfect our work and to accept our efforts in His way.***

At the heart of our plan are 6 powerful strategic directions. Each direction is clear and measurable:

1. To have 100% of our students proceed with either post-secondary or trade education
2. To introduce vibrant awards to recognize students to pursue their special interests
3. To enhance communication and partnership with sponsors and their community members
4. To establish and award full scholarships for post-secondary education and Islamic Studies
5. To promote value of EMAAN recognition, establish career day and provide training for community leaders of tomorrow
6. To continue to expand the EMAAN program nationwide



## BUILDING & EXPANDING A STRONGER HAMILTON

### 2015 AWARDS NIGHT

EMAAN Hamilton inaugural award night successfully took place at Carmen's Banquet Hall in June 2015. The program included an awards ceremony, entertainment, delicious 3-course dinner, welcome address by the Hamilton Wentworth District School Board, and an inspirational keynote speech by a 5-time pro kickboxing world champion, Muzammal Nawaz.

By the end of the ceremony, it was truly the student's stories, achievements and enthusiastic ambition that was an inspiration to all attendees.

*"Having that (EMAAN's) support from the Muslim community through both the interviews and awards was really nice. I believe encouraging young Muslims to be eagerly ambitious while pursuing academics, community work, and leadership roles (and reminding them to stay grounded) is especially important at the high school level-as students begin to see the bigger picture and decide what they want to do with their lives. It was also wonderful to meet like-minded students and professionals from across the city, and hear about their inspiring work and stories. I especially took to Mr. Muzammal Nawaz's speech."*

- Samna Aziz, Scientific Innovation Award Recipient 2015





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### EXPANDING OUR HORIZON

Alhumdulillah, we are expanding this success to include Halton in 2016! We will be accepting applications from both Hamilton & Halton in shaa Allah. Scholarship Award categories this year include: *Best High School MSA Award, Achievement of Excellence Scholarship, Quran Recitation Scholarship, Community Service Scholarship, Journalism and Literature Scholarship, Visual Arts Scholarship, Innovation Scholarship and Athletic Scholarship.*

Our keynote speaker for 2016 is journalist, poet and speaker Amal Ahmed Albaz. Amal graduated from Ryerson in 2015 with a bachelor of journalism from Ryerson University and is currently a reporter with the Toronto Star. With a vision to change the world – one word at a time, Amal is a recognized international spoken word poet and inspirational speaker. She travels around the world to address audiences from east to west at various conferences, and delivered a powerful TEDx talk when she was only 16 ma shaa Allah! In her quite time, Amal enjoys sewing, taking pictures or learning something new.

Sponsorship opportunities for this highly anticipated evening will follow. We look forward to your support and partnership in recognizing and celebrating outstanding youth talent and ambition in our community.

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Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2016

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## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

EMAAN has developed the Partners in Education Plan, which assists in helping talented young students pursue their dreams of becoming professionals by raising much needed scholarship award funds. Partners in education contribute to the EMAAN Scholarship Funds Account at the various sponsor levels:

Platinum	\$1000 and over
Gold	\$500 up to \$999
Silver	\$300 up to \$499
Bronze	up to \$300
In Memory	\$500 to sponsor an award

These funds are utilized to sustain current Special Recognition Trophies and to acquire Trophies, Awards, and grant Scholarships to qualifying students. Over 100 Academic achievement Awards and 16 special recognition awards with \$500.00 scholarships planned to be awarded. As a potential sponsor, you may choose to fund a specific special recognition award, part of an academic award, or to support the functional costs of the event. Individual sponsors, or appointed presenters, distribute these awards on the day of the event.

*The Prophet (peace be upon him) said: "When a man dies, his good deeds come to an end except three: ongoing charity, beneficial knowledge, and righteous offspring who will pray for him." (Muslim)*

*Special thanks to our 2015 generous sponsors*



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## BENEFITS TO SPONSORS

Benefactors of EMAAN are donors, who through their generosity and ongoing commitment provide the resources necessary to prepare young students for their future careers and promote the value of education in society. In this segmented market, stand out as the sponsor that is committed to promote education, and further enhance your image as a caring, community supporter. As a sponsor you will be given the opportunity to engage over 300 guests at our banquet, have your company/name advertised on our brochure, and present your sponsored awards to the students at the ceremony. Sponsors will also be provided a free ticket to the event and special VIP seating at the awards ceremony. As a registered non-profit and charity organization, MAC Canada will also provide tax receipts for all donations over \$100.00.

## IMPACT OF CAUSE

The financial leadership of Benefactors acts as a source of inspiration to the entire Muslim community, and encourages many other sources of giving in the community.

## PROPOSAL

Muslim Association of Canada (MAC), EMAAN- Hamilton, kindly requests your financial support for year 2016. By contributing to this unique program, you help ensure that Muslim youth acquire skills vital to their knowledge and develop future community leaders, scholars, teachers, scientists, engineers, entrepreneurs, physicians, etc.

Thank you for taking the time to review this package and hope you can be a part of this inspiring occasion in shaa Allah! If this opportunity meets your needs, please complete and return the pledge form for our records.





## PLEDGE FORM

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DONATION AMOUNT: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Platinum - \$1000 +      ☐ Gold - \$500 - \$999      ☐ In Memory - \$500  
☐ Silver - \$300 - \$499      ☐ Bronze - < \$300      of \_\_\_\_\_

DONATION FOR: \_\_\_\_\_

(Specific award, academic awards, or general event)

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash  
☐ Cheque no. \_\_\_\_\_ [Please make all cheques payable to "Muslim Association of Canada"]

***"The position of only two persons is enviable; the person whom Allah bestowed wealth empowering him to spend it in the way of righteousness, and the person whom Allah gave wisdom with which he adjudges and which he teaches to others"***

***- Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him)***

### Jazakum Allahu Khairan for supporting EMAAN!

Please mail your donation or arrange for pick-up via one of the following contacts:

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