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## Point Borough Library Event to Examine What It Means to Be Muslim

**POINT PLEASANT BOROUGH** – The Point Pleasant Borough Branch of the Ocean County Library will host "Islam in/and America" 2 p.m. Wednesday, September 19.

Dr. Sylvia Chan-Malik of Rutgers University will present the history and presence of Islam in the United States.

Participants will examine the construction and evolution of U.S. Muslim identity, community, and culture from the colonial era to the present.

The event will also explore the diversity among American Muslim communities, how Muslims do and do not practice Islam, and how "Muslim" intersects with racial/ethnic categories such as "Arab", "Asian", and "Black".

This program is sponsored by the NJ Council for the Humanities and the Ocean County Library Cultural Awareness Team.

The branch is located at 834 Beaver Dam Road.

Registration is required for this free program. To register, visit theoceancountylibrary.org/events or call the branch at 732-295-1555.