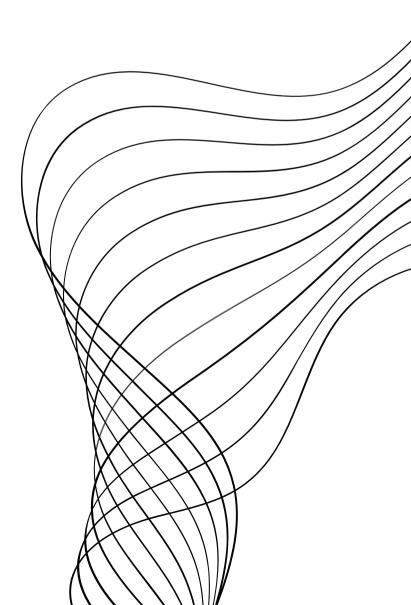




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TO PROMOTE OUR MISSION OF MORE PEACEFUL UNDERSTANDING FOR ALL, WE ARE CREATING A SERIES OF BILINGUAL AND BICULTURAL ART EXHIBITIONS IN THE UNITED STATES AND INTERNATIONALLY.

AS PART OF OUR ORGANIZATION'S GOAL TO BRING MORE CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN NATIONS, WE ARE PLEASED TO SHARE THE HERITAGE OF IRAN. PERSIAN CULTURE AND CIVILIZATION IS ONE OF THE OLDEST CULTURES AND CIVILIZATIONS IN THE WORLD, AND WE ARE PROUD TO BRING THIS RICH CULTURE IN FARSI, THE LANGUAGE OF PERSIA. FOR THE FIRST TIME, WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE HAVE CREATED A FARSI FACEBOOK PAGE. OUR PROFESSIONAL TEAM OF CONTRIBUTORS HAS WORKED DILIGENTLY TO CONNECT US WITH MORE PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD. THE FARSI PAGES ON OUR WEBSITE WILL BE READY TO GO ONLINE SOON.

WE ENCOURAGE OUR FARSI- SPEAKING READERS AROUND THE WORLD TO COMMUNICATE WITH US IN OUR FARSI FACE BOOK PAGE, احساسات فرهنگی.

IN ADDITION, WE HAVE MORE EXCITING NEWS ABOUT THE FARSI PROJECT AS WELL AS OTHER UP AND COMING ACTIVITIES FOR 2014. ALL ARE AIMED AT CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING FOR MORE PEACEFUL COMMUNICATION, SO TIMELY IN TODAY'S WORLD.

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IN CELEBRATION OF INTERNATIONAL **WOMEN'S DAY, SENSES CULTURAL** ATTENDS GLOBAL WOMEN LEADERS **CONFERENCE**

Senses Cultural is excited to announce that our CEO and Founder, Tata Monfared, will be attending the Global Women Leaders Conference on March 8 and 9th in Dubai. The WOIBEX conference is the largest gathering for women's empowerment in the 21st century and attracts the highest level of women leaders, entrepreneurs, innovators, businesswomen, executives, and government leaders.

The aim of the conference is to close gender gaps and bring women in emerging markets into the global economic mainstream in order to unleash the potential of women and increase stability and prosperity worldwide.

Held annually in celebration of International Women's Day, the WOIBEX conference pays tribute to women who translate leadership into action in order to forge long-term cooperation in building a globally competitive environment.

This theme of women's empowerment is very much in keeping with the mission of Senses. This is Tata's second time attending the conference. In a recent interview, Tata stressed the importance of engaging women by saying, "As we know, a wide array of obstacles undermine the lives of Middle Eastern women, and through formidable challenges, Middle Eastern women have been remarkably resilient in expressing their adequate power in creating change. This is a time when women in the Middle East can bring their partnership in regenerating and rebuilding the infrastructure of peace and unity for their nation and beyond." Finally, Tata's involvement with the conference will bring greater visibility to Senses internationally. As we move into 2014, Senses is committed to becoming an international organization. With Tata's own background and her family's connections with the world of art, culture, and business in Iran and the Middle East, it seems natural for Senses to share the beauty, art and culture of this part of the world with the West. During a time when many Westerners have negative images of the Middle East, spreading Senses' mission of creating a more peaceful and healthy environment through sharing ideas and arts globally is especially vital.

Tata and Senses staff work hard to make sure the projects and organizations that we are supporting are aligned with our mission to create a more healthy and peaceful environment for all.



Full Contribution by <u>Tata Monfared</u> & <u>Woibex</u>





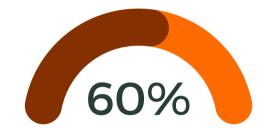






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OPENING CEREMONY FOR ENDURING POWER: THE MIDDLE EASTERN AND IRANIAN WOMAN'S STORY ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15 AT UC DAVIS ALUMNI CENTER

Senses Cultural and the Senses School of Art is proud to announce the opening ceremony for Enduring Power: the Middle Eastern and Iranian Woman's Story on Wednesday, October 15 at UC Davis Alumni Center. This is part of the traveling university exhibitions developed by Senses Cultural.

This exhibit is part of Senses Cultural's mission to empower women of the Middle East by highlighting the strong presence of women in building bridges, and providing resources to create a healthier and more peaceful environment for themselves, their families and their communities. The exhibition will feature classic and modern creations from top Middle Eastern women photographers.

Senses Cultural is honored to have the support of the distinguished international Museums and institutions for this event. Please join Senses Cultural in honoring the enduring power of Middle Eastern women and the women photographers who tell their story.

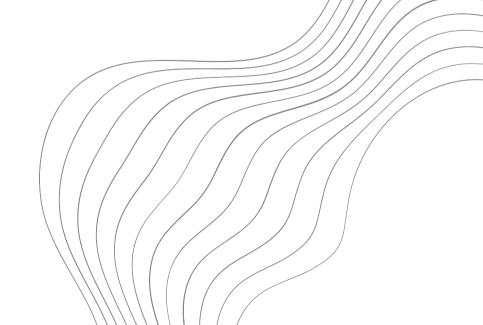


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Senses Cultural's traveling photo exhibition, Enduring Power: The Middle Eastern and Iranian Woman's Story, will find a home at the Resource Center for Nonviolence in Santa Cruz, CA for the six weeks. This collection of work, which includes work from <u>several female photographers</u> and represents multiple Middle Eastern countries, will be on display from Monday, November 2nd until Thursday, December 17th, 2015. Senses Cultural will also participate in First Fridays on December 4th, 2015, with a discussion, introduction to the photography, and special guest speakers. Anita Heckman, who has been with the organization since 1981, is leading this partnership along with Tata Monfared, Senses Cultural's founder.

Enduring Power: The Middle Eastern and Iranian Woman's Story, is curated by Sina Araghi, an LA-based photographer, and was first displayed in October 2014 at UC Davis. While at UC Davis, the collection received strong support and wonderful feedback from faculty and students alike. This first exhibition also sparked a roundtable discussion during the opening reception, which led to inspiring and honest exchanges between many notable leaders of Davis' academic community.

The second exhibition for Enduring Power was just last month, at <u>San Francisco State University</u>, and featured a keynote speech from <u>Karen Koning AbuZayd</u> during the opening reception. Her lifelong commitment to humanitarian causes, most notably her work with the UN in Eastern Sudan, Gaza, Sierra Leone and countless other countries brought insight to the experiences and struggles that many female refugees face. Senses Cultural looks forward to sharing this powerful photography exhibition with the Santa Cruz community, and knows that RCNV is a perfect match for sharing the stories these women have to tell. For more information regarding RCNV and the photographers featured in this show, please visit RCNV's calendar.



SENSES CULTURAL PLAYS MAJOR COORDINATING ROLE IN BRINGING TOGETHER IRANIAN AND AMERICAN PROFESSIONALS FOR AUTISM SYMPOSIUM

Senses Cultural's Academy of Health has helped organize an Autism Symposium in Tehran, Iran for November 1 & 2. This event is the result of more than one year's planning by <u>Tata Monfared</u>, President and Founder of Senses Cultural, who was quoted as saying that "We see this as an important step in improving the lives of those with autism and related neurodevelopmental disorders. We are especially pleased that Iranian and American professionals will be sharing the latest knowledge and research with each other.

TEHRAN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE!

The latest knowledge about treatment and the genetics of autism will be a primary focus of the event, along with how to organize effective patient advocacy organizations and foster collaboration between families and professionals. A molecular geneticist, Dr. Flora Tassone from the UC Davis MIND Institute in Sacramento, California and Robert Miller, Director of the Academy of Health and a patient advocacy organizational consultant, will be representing the American perspective at the symposium.

The Senses Academy of Health was founded in early 2015 to improve the lives of Middle Eastern families impacted by having a child with autism, fragile X syndrome, 22q syndrome and other neurodevelopmental disorders. The Autism Symposium in Tehran is one its first areas of focus, along with its Academy of Health website in Farsi and English, scheduled to launch later in November.







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ENDURING POWER'S NEXT STOP TO BE UCSC WOMEN'S CENTER

Senses Cultural's traveling photography exhibition, Enduring Power: The Middle Eastern and Iranian Women's Story, is scheduled to be displayed at a new location to kick-off the upcoming year. The <u>UCSC Women's Center</u>, which recently relocated to the Cardiff House, will play host to this powerful exhibition of female photographers as part of the Sister Solidarity 2016 event. Senses believes that the Women's Center mission statement – "to affirm the dignity and diversity of all women" – will be strongly supported and celebrated by the Enduring Power exhibition, and is very proud to be collaborating with this organization. Coordinated by Women's Center director Sonia Montoya, the exhibition will be on display from February 18th until March 11th, 2016.

Senses' traveling photo exhibition, Enduring Power: The Middle Eastern and Iranian Women's Story, features the stunning work of seven female photographers. Their intimate, honest and often vulnerable work allows viewers to step into the everyday struggles and celebrations of the Middle Eastern and Iranian woman.

Photographer Hamideh Zolfaghari world renown and winner of many gold medals (ENDURING POWER'S NEXT STOP TO BE UCSC WOMEN'S CENTER

) is a talented contributor to Senses Cultural. Her works has been featured heavily in Senses Cultural's photography exhibition Enduring Power.

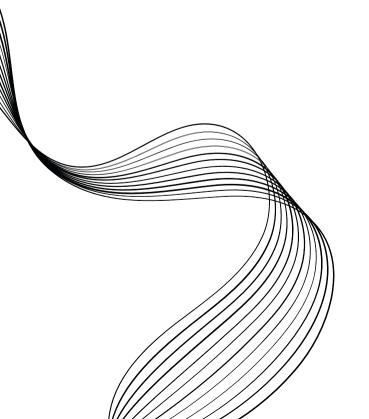
As Hamideh beautifully states, "I wish my pictures to be a testament to the heroism, frustrations, joys, and sorrows of the forgotten". With that mission in mind, Hamideh has generously offered to donate 50% of her art sales from future Senses Cultural events to support Senses Cultural Scholarship for benefiting women and children dealing with Autism and other neurodevelopment disorders throughout the Middle East and worldwide. ENDURING POWER'S NEXT STOP TO BE UCSC WOMEN'S CENTER

Curated by LA-based photographer, <u>Sina Araghi</u>, and produced by Senses Cultural founder, Tata Monfared, Enduring Power has been met with great interest and support since the initial showing at UC Davis in October 2014.

Most recently, the Resource Center for Nonviolence hosted this exhibition with a corresponding <u>film series</u>, curated by RCNV's Anita Heckman, in part to celebrate International Human Rights Day. Senses Cultural is grateful that this powerful collaboration of film and photography was possible at RCNV, and looks forward to the continued support and feedback



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Enduring Power's striking images represent a wide range of experiences, aspirations, fears and realities of women from Yemen, Egypt, Bahrain, Iran and Kuwait.

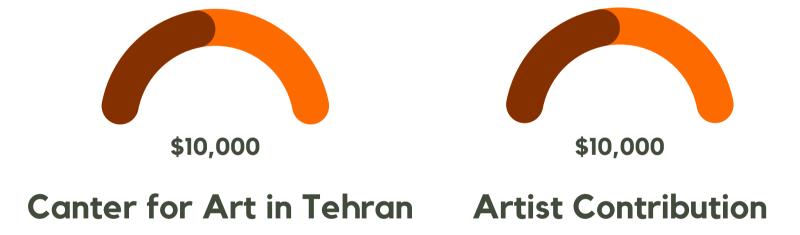
A collection of work from several female photographers of Middle Eastern backgrounds, Enduring Power shows an intimate and unique perspective of an otherwise private world to the American audience.

"Peering behind the veil and headscarves to reveal real individuals is a delicate but necessary boundary to push... Let their stories be heard."

— Sina Araghi, Curator

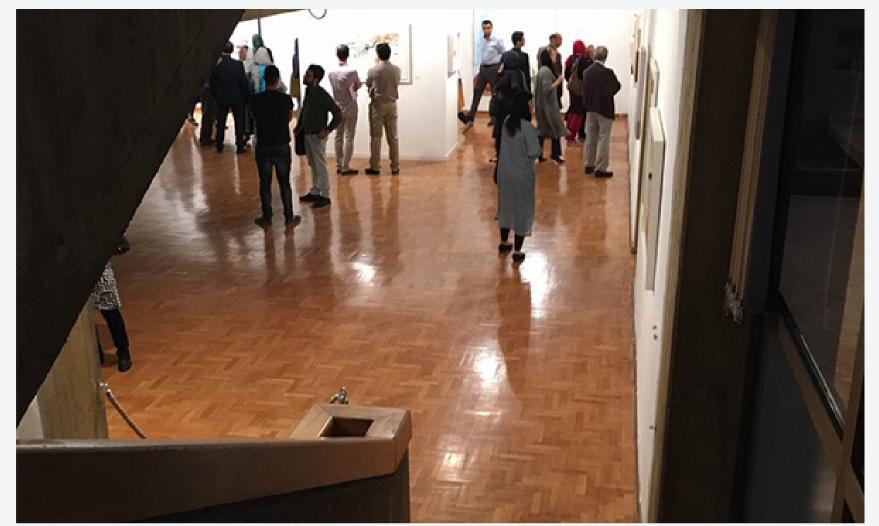
ART FOR AUTISM

Senses Cultural and its Iranian sister organization Shokraneh Mavaddateh Jahani (Blessings of Universal Contribution) are excited to present its first exhibition "Art & Autism" at Niavaran Institution of Art & Cultural in Tehran that will take place June 30th through July 5th this summer of 2016.









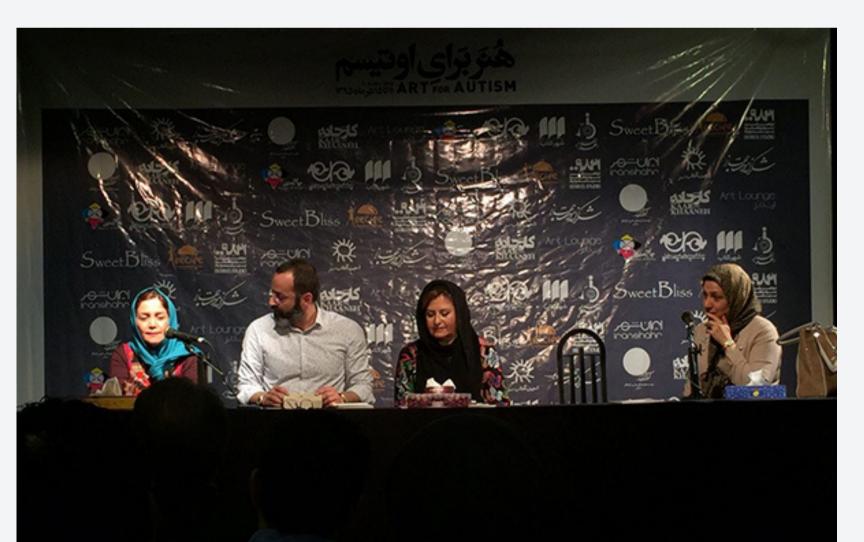












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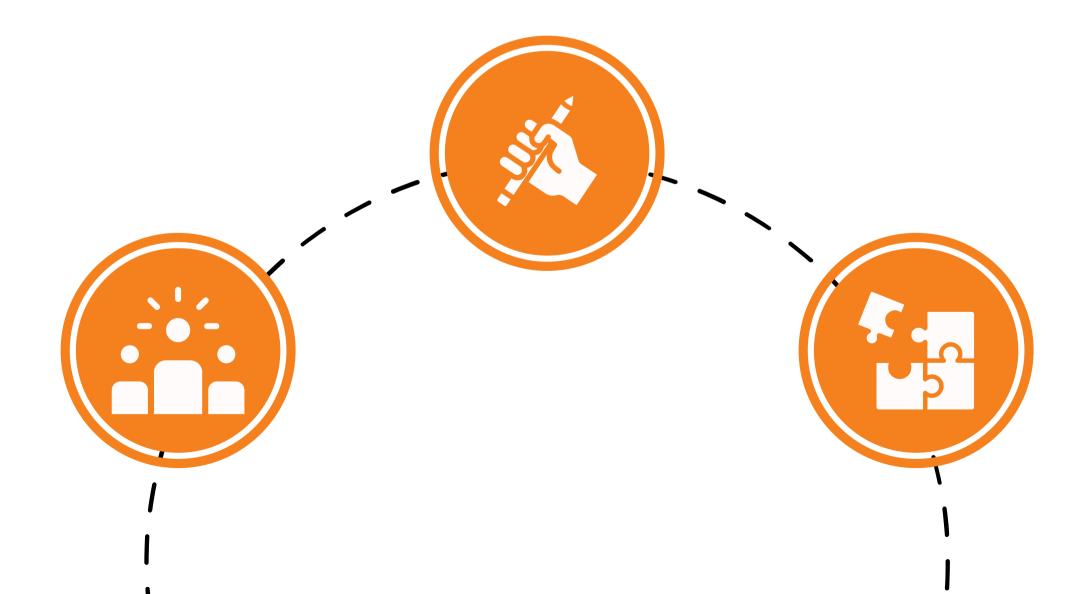
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Department of Special Needs Children of Education Organization.



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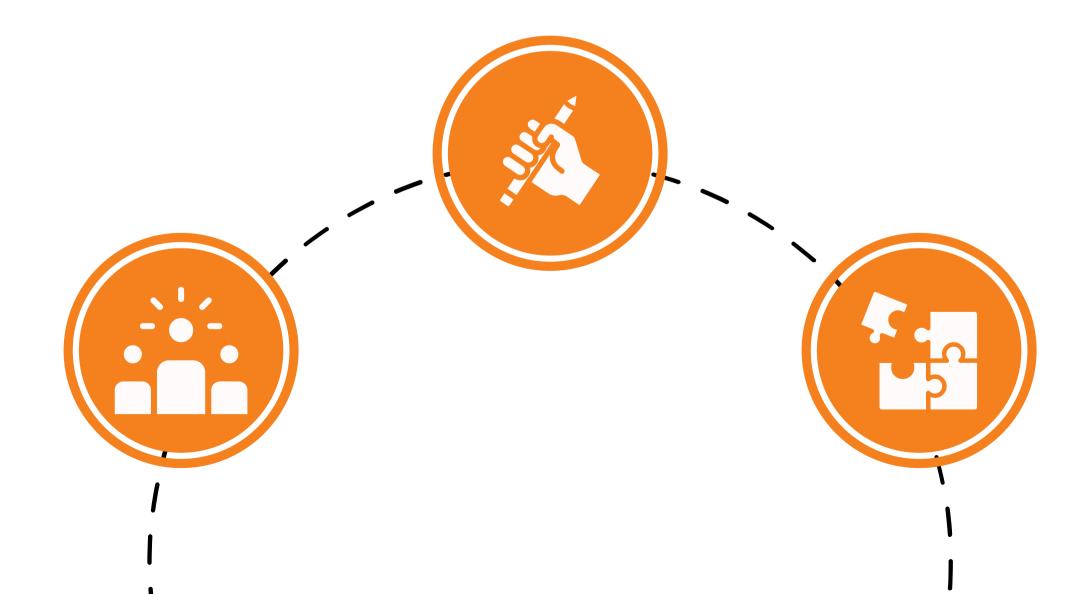
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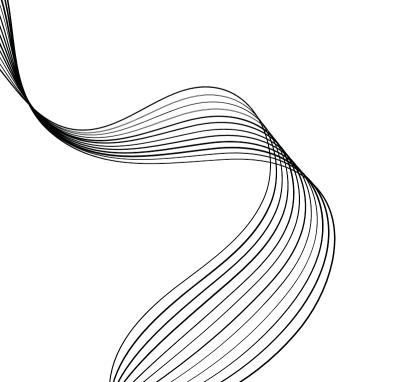
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CFFSD Charity Fundation of Special Deases



Public Contribution



Offering CE/CME Credits The third international **Conference Theme Basic Science** Population screening and diagnosis L **Autism and families**

Drug therapy

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SECOND ART FOR AUTISM EXHIBITION

Senses Cultural and it's Iranian sister organization Shokraneh Mavaddateh Jahani presented their second exhibition "Art & Autism" at Niavaran Institution of Art & Cultural Foundation in Tehran in December 2017.

Senses Cultural founder and CEO Tata Monfared talks at the Living with Autism event in Tehran, Iran. She discusses the importance of arts and culture in the quest to help families living with autism and other neurodevelopmental disorders.



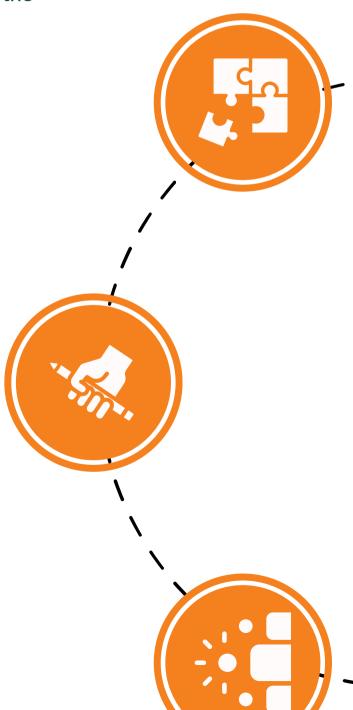
Center for Art in Niavaran contribution



Artist Contribution



Cost of project: \$10.00





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<u>Senses Cultural:</u> Last December, Senses Cultural and its representative in Iran, <u>Shokraneh Mavaddat Jahani</u>, made history when it brought a team of neurodevelopmental experts to Iran for a series of events in Tehran and Isfahan including conferences, meetings at research institutes, a visit to an early intervention center, a teacher training workshop and informal consultations with parents. Almost two years in the planning, the event was sponsored and organized by Senses Cultural in collaboration with an Iranian-based NGO, the Charity Foundation for Special Diseases led by Dr. Fatemeh Hashemi, and included the 2nd International Autism Conference in Tehran on December 9th& 10th.

As a result of Senses Cultural's unique US governmental approval for facilitating the exchange of knowledge about autism and related neurodevelopmental disorders between the U.S. and Iran, we made important progress in our efforts to promote healthy lives for the people of Iran and the U.S.,



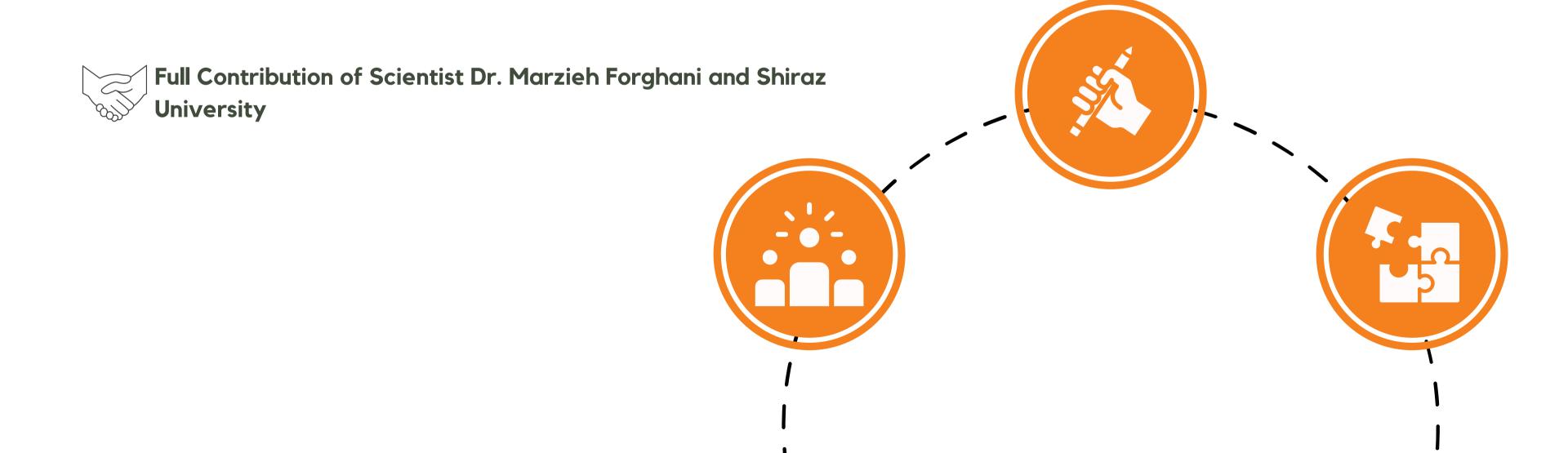
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SENSES CULTURAL CATALYST FOR AUTISM AWARENESS TRAINING AT SHIRAZ UNIVERSITY

and the Department of Neuroscience at Shiraz University in Iran cohosted their first autism training event since signing a Memorandum of Understanding in March 2018.

The event, held Tuesday, May 1st, was in Shiraz at DANA Brain Health Institute, which is linked with Shiraz University.

Having a child with autism is a challenge. This workshop was organized to help parents navigate the many challenges, ranging for behavioral support to medical treatment. Over 50 parents with autistic kids attended the workshop in Shiraz. Parents had the opportunity to talk about concerns and getting practical solutions in advice in various aspects of handling the issues surrounding parenting an autistic kid. Speakers included Senses Cultural Advisory Board members Dr. Mohammad Namiand Dr. Marzieh Forgani











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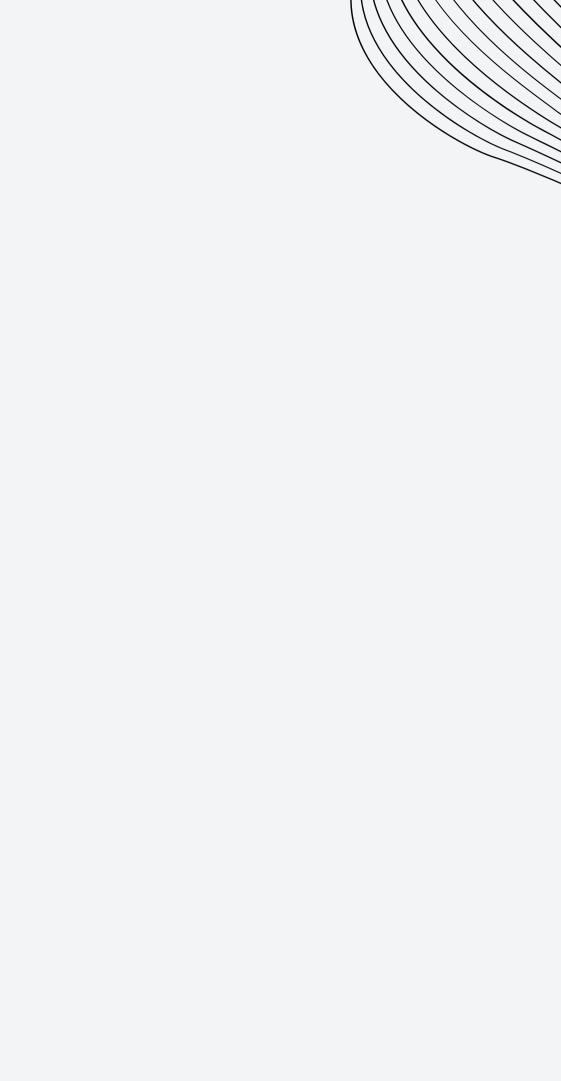
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LIVING WITH
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LIVING WITH AUTISM: A FOCUS ON FAMILIES WITH MIDDLE EASTERN BACKGROUNDS

We are pleased to announce an upcoming Senses Cultural special event bringing help to Middle Eastern communities and refugee families dealing with autism and other neurodevelopmental disorders.

The event will take place at the UC Davis MIND Institute in Sacramento from 5:30pm-7:30pm on Wednesday, August 1st, 2018. The evening will begin with welcoming remarks by <u>Dr. Len Abbeduto</u>, Director of UC Davis MIND Institute. Panels include:

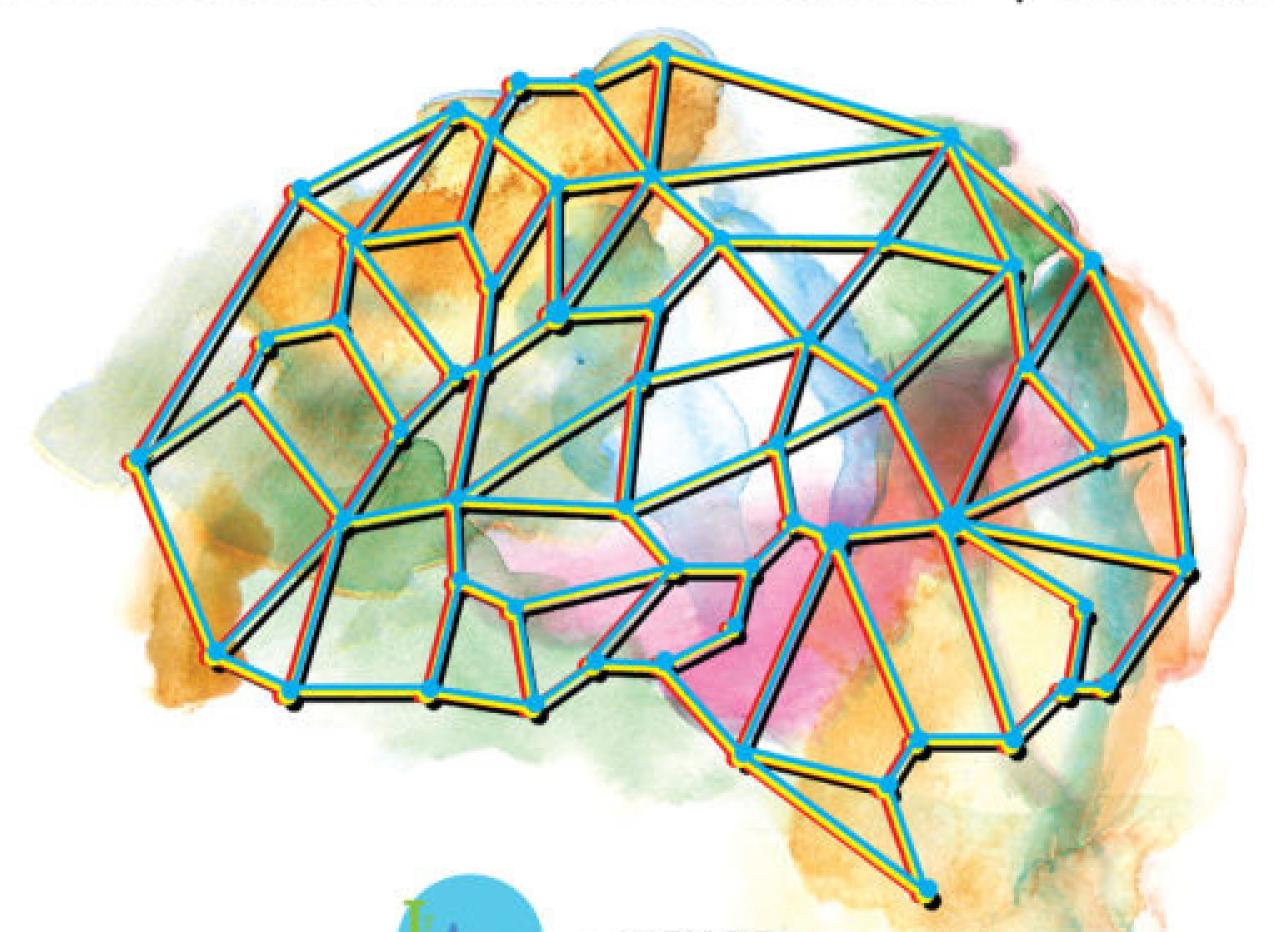
- Medical Workup and Targeted Treatments in Autism Spectrum Disorder including Fragile X syndrome: Dr. Randi Hagerman
- Autism Stigma and the Role of Ethnicity and Culture: Providing Feedback to Families: Dr. Marzieh Forghani
- Parenting Skills within Middle Eastern Cultures: Dr. Marsha Chinichian
- Applying for Molecular and Cellular Medicine in Autism: Dr. Karim Nayernia
- Autism Spectrum Disorders Behavioral Treatments and Parent Coaching: Dr. Sarah Dufek





at UC Davis MIND Institute

Focusing on Families with Middle Eastern Backgrounds 5:30pm, August 1st













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SENSES CULTURAL ORGANIZES WORKSHOP FOR SACRAMENTO AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

On December 11 of 2018, Senses Cultural was pleased to be able to organize a workshop and a presentation by Dr. Marzieh Forghany, Psy D for the West Sacramento Washington School District on the issue of autism and the stigma associated with the diagnosis in some Middle Eastern cultures. Dr. Forghany is a clinical psychologist at Kaiser Permanente in the Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) Center at Rancho Cordova. She has experience working in community mental health facilities, in early intervention with children on the autism spectrum, and in general outpatient therapy with individual children and families conducting psychological assessments and providing individual psychotherapy. Her specialties include conducting psychological and cognitive assessment, evidence-based individual psychotherapy, as well as group therapy. Dr. Forghany is part of the Senses Cultural professional contributors team and an advisory board member.

The presentation included a detailed description of what stigma means, the differences between collectivist (Middle Eastern) and individualistic (American) cultures, and how collective trauma, lack of trust, guilt and shame create barriers to fully understanding and supporting persons with autism. Lastly, Dr. Forghany focused on strategies for overcoming these challenges.

Throughout the world, many families, and individuals with a diagnosis of autism are struggling to understand what the diagnosis means to their lives and how to maximize opportunities for success. Senses Cultural is working hard to help shine a light on efforts to improve the well-being of those with autism, here in the Sacramento area and throughout the Middle East.

Our special thanks go to Ms. Raheleh Atabaki, the school program specialist, for her great efforts and dedication in making the event possible.



Cost of project: \$0.00



Full contribution of Washington — Sacramento School District

THANKS FOR THE ATTENTION

