

# Comics and Muslim Identity

a one-day panel event



"Dust" from Marvel Comics "New X-Men"

**Saturday, April 30, 2011**  
**10:00am - 2:00pm**

Sperry Room, Andover Hall, Harvard Divinity School  
45 Francis Avenue

Free and open to the public

Sponsored by: Harvard Center for Middle Eastern Studies Outreach Center, Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal Islamic Studies Program at Harvard, and Shura: The Islamic Forum at Harvard Divinity School

**10:00–10:30 Introduction**

**10:30–12:00 Panel One**

*Muslim Identity Representation in Graphic Novels*, Hussein Rashid

*Muslim Identity in the Superhero Genre*, A. David Lewis

*Comics and 9/11 Culture*, Jeffrey Melnick

**12:00–12:30 Break for refreshments**

**12:30–2:00 Panel Two**

*Comics and Religion*, Darby Orcutt

*Graphic Storytelling and the Shahnameh*, Laura Weinstein

*"The Montgomery Story" and Contemporary Activism in the Middle East*, Nasser Weddady

Also join us on Friday, April 29th, 11:00–4:00pm for a drop-in workshop on creating comics and Skype conversation with grassroots comic artists in the Middle East region. Email [cmesoc@fas.harvard.edu](mailto:cmesoc@fas.harvard.edu) for details.



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