



ISMAILI MAIL BLOG NEWSLETTER

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Introduction & Scope

Ismaili Mail Blog began as an individual initiative to reverberate the news and activities in the Ismaili Muslim Community across the globe and to help gather the news under one platform for easy search and reference.

The story materials are broader encompassing news about the Imam, as well as news and achievements of Imam Institutions and community members. In addition, there is material from a cultural perspective. Of particular focus has been Jamati engagement in civil society where ever the Jamat may be. The Blog mitigates risk by only posting vetted externally published materials, always providing references. Materials are vetted for risk to individuals, community, and by extension the Imam institutions and the Imam itself. The Blog allows for comments using a moderated feedback methodology, and does not allow debates or discussion forums. Being a Blog, it introduces the concept of tags, such that material can be viewed in a thematic way. The Blog intermixes with news items, existing materials from the IIS and the AKDN, such as the introduction to the community, the ethical framework, and other such articles.

Given the broad community of blog on the Internet, Ismaili Mail materials have also been introduced to other blogs, and have been picked up on occasion. Given the mix of Jamati, Imam, Cultural and Institutional news, it is able to introduce new target audiences to work of the institutions, and the ethics of the community.

With the multitude of events happening and news thereof, with regard to the Imam, the Imam Institutions and the community, Ismaili Mail is pleased to introduce a monthly Ismaili Mail Newsletter which summarizes the stories of the month. The stories/articles of the month have been categorized by topic for easy reference and each article has been provided with appropriate links/URL so you can easily click on them to visit the site for complete story.

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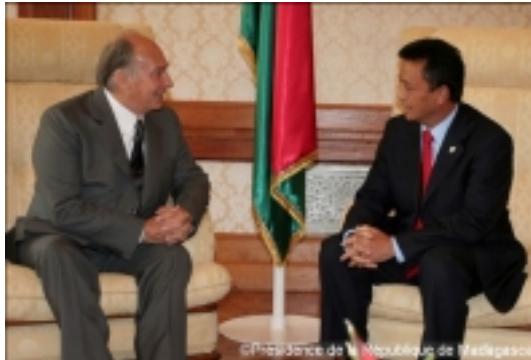
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Golden Jubilee Visits by His Highness the Aga Khan

Madagascar



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- ❑ His Highness the Aga Khan received by the President of Madagascar [View](#)
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- ❑ President of Madagascar receives the Aga Khan [View](#)
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- ❑ Madagascar Tribune: Strengthening Cooperation - His Highness the Aga Khan in Madagascar [View](#)
- ❑ Mawlana Hazar Imam's Visit to Madagascar [View](#)
- ❑ His Highness the Aga Khan arrives today in Madagascar [View](#)
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Mozambique



- ❑ Video: His Highness in Cabo Delgado, one of Mozambique's most vulnerable provinces [View](#)
- ❑ Bidding farewell to the Jamat of Mozambique [View](#)
- ❑ His Highness meets with rural communities in Cabo Delgado, one of Mozambique's most vulnerable provinces [View](#)
- ❑ Mozambique: The day which was eagerly awaited by the Jamat [View](#)
- ❑ Video of Mawlana Hazar Imam's Visit to Mozambique [View](#)
- ❑ President of Mozambique extols coming of Aga Khan [View](#)
- ❑ Mozambique: Prince Aga Khan announced construction of factory of clothing for export in the country [View](#)
- ❑ Tourism and clothing with the aim of the investment in Mozambique from the Aga Khan [View](#)



- ❏ Aga Khan reaffirms support for the development of Mozambique [View](#)
- ❏ Aga Khan's Visit to Mozambique [View](#)
- ❏ Aga Khan begins visit to Mozambique today [View](#)

Germany



- ❏ AKDN: Aga Khan Visits Germany - Photographs [View](#)
- ❏ Speech by His Highness the Aga Khan at the Conference on Central Asia and Europe : A New Economic Partnership for the 21st Century Berlin - November 13, 2007 [View](#)
- ❏ AKDN: Aga Khan Visits Germany [View](#)
- ❏ Aga Khan calls for increased investment in Central Asia [View](#)
- ❏ Conference on "Central Asia and Europe: a New Economic Partnership for the 21st Century" in the Federal Foreign Office [View](#)
- ❏ Prince Karim Aga Khan visited Berlin [View](#)



- ❑ German Chancellor Angela Merkel to meet with His Highness the Aga Khan [View](#)
- ❑ Yonhap News: Prince Aga Khan in Germany [View](#)
- ❑ Opening Address by Frank-Walter Steinmeier at the conference on “Central Asia and Europe: A new Economic Partnership for the 21st Century” [View](#)

Ismaili Muslims in the News



- ❑ Naz Kamani in Hike 4 Life [View](#)
- ❑ Two Ismaili Girls track breast cancer puzzle - LA Times [View](#)
- ❑ Youth interfaith council is tackling social issues – Afroza Nanji [View](#)
- ❑ Seeing eye to eye with Afghanistan – Arif Lalani [View](#)
- ❑ Noteworthy neighbours - Ismaili Youth Extreme Adventure Group [View](#)
- ❑ Ismaili High School Students trick or treat for food bank [View](#)
- ❑ New Center for Islamic Studies aims to build understanding - Director Munir Jiwa [View](#)



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- Award recognizes immigrant seniors in the community [View](#)
 - Canada Announces its 2007 CGA Fellowship Recipients: Yasmin Ratansi Member of Parliament, Don Valley East [View](#)
 - It was a magic night at the museum gala [View](#)
 - Twenty volunteers named to the City of Burnaby's Local Heroes list for 2007 [View](#)
 - Four to represent Hunza in Volley Ball Tournament [View](#)
 - Dr. Salim Surani receives \$12,500 grant for humanitarian project [View](#)
 - Leading Academic Amin Mawani honoured [View](#)
 - Dances with Spices - Collection of Ismaili recipes [View](#)
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 - Senator Mobina Jaffer Saves Lives From Malaria in Uganda [View](#)
 - Dr. Zaheer and Salma Lakhani celebrate 30 years in Canada [View](#)
 - Gulu Walk reaches out to Ugandan youth - Jamil Jivraj have co-chaired the Edmonton Gulu Walk since its inception [View](#)
 - Ashif Mawji - Software developer captures top award [View](#)
 - Blazing Trails - Captain Aleem Sajan [View](#)
 - Petty Officer and Staff Sergeant Faruk A. Jessa [View](#)

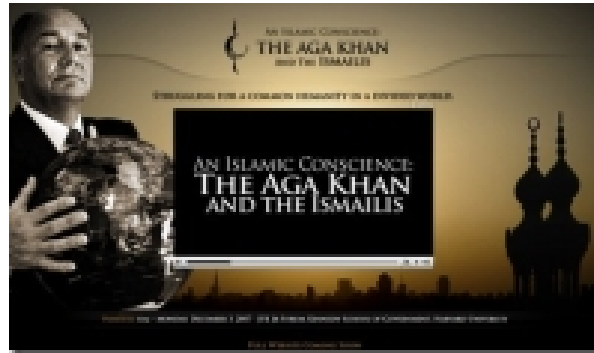


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- ▣ Houston Chronicle: Houstonians open homes for interfaith dinner dialogue [View](#)
 - ▣ Suntimes News: Ground symbolically broken for Ismaili Center [View](#)
 - ▣ Nurjehan Mawani to receive 2007 UNIFEM Canada Award [View](#)
 - ▣ Burnaby British Columbia: Deer Lake Gallery Presents Photographs and Paintings by Hakam Bhaloo [View](#)
 - ▣ Points of Light Foundation: ZAIN GILLANI [View](#)
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 - ▣ Anil Giga's The Invisible Way is a winner of National Best Books 2007 Awards [View](#)
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Arts & Culture

Documentary on Aga Khan and Ismaili Muslims



- ❑ VisionTV's Inspirational Leaders Week celebrates the legacies of spiritual greats [View](#)
- ❑ Can the story of the Aga Khan point to a solution to the East-West divide? [View](#)
- ❑ A Tale of Modern Islam - The Aga Khan and the Ismailis [View](#)
- ❑ The Aga Khan and the Ismailis [View](#)

AKMICA Cultural Show

- ❑ Historic Cities Programme Exhibition in Atlanta [View](#)
- ❑ Azerbaijan People's Artist Alim Gasimov and his daughter Fargana give concert University of California Los Angeles [View](#)
- ❑ LA Times: Getting acquainted with music of Central Asia [View](#)
- ❑ Chicago Tribune: Practicing the fine art of cultural acceptance [View](#)



A Mystical Journey Show

- Edmonton Journal: Mystical Journey inspires youth [View](#)
- Pakistani Pop Star Salman Ahmed discusses A Mystical Journey show and other topics [View](#)
- South Asia's Bono comes to town [View](#)

Restoration, Preservation & Architecture

Historic Cities Program (HCP)

- Babur Gardens, Roses and Kabul. [View](#)
- Babur's Garden, Kabul - Historic preservation done by Aga Khan Trust for Culture [View](#)
- Chicago Tribune: Practicing the fine art of cultural acceptance [View](#)
- Need of private sector participation in restoring India's heritage structures [View](#)
- India Post: Aga Khan Historic Cities Program exhibition in University of California Berkeley [View](#)
- You might enjoy... [View](#)
- The Imperial Graveyard [View](#)
- Kabul comeback [View](#)



Aga Khan Award for Architecture



- ❑ From AKDN: BBC Series on Aga Khan Award for Architecture Nominated for Best Documentary of the Year [View](#)
- ❑ BBC Interview: Aga Khan's restoration mission [View](#)
- ❑ Harvard president announces task force on the arts [View](#)
- ❑ Vote for the BBC documentary - Building for Islam on 2007 Aga Khan Award [View](#)
- ❑ Historic Cities Programme presented at Symphony Center Chicago [View](#)
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Ismaili Centers



- Suntimes News: Ground symbolically broken for Ismaili Center [View](#)
- Glenview Jamatkhana - Architecture design by Bailey Edward [View](#)
- Chicago Tribune: In Glenview, work starts on Ismaili Muslim center [View](#)
- Pamir Times Blog: Community Center (Jamatkhana) inaugurated in Shimshal Valley [View](#)

Civil Society Engagements

World Partnership Walks

- Houston Partnership Walk 2007 - Picture [View](#)
- Houston Partnership Walk 2007 [View](#)
- Houston: Walk to inform on global poverty crisis [View](#)
- Houston Chronicle: Group expects record crowd for Partnership Walk [View](#)
- Fort Bend Focus Magazine highlights AKF Partnership Walk and HCP Exhibit Houston [View](#)



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- Civil Society Organizations- Government Collaboration [View](#)
- Microsoft Certifies Instructors From University of Central Asia [View](#)
- The history of The Kampala Serena Hotel via Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting [View](#)
- First Micro Finance Bank client wins the Best Micro-Entrepreneur Award [View](#)
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- Canada's history of Pluralism - Hon. Jason Kenny, speech in November [View](#)
- Global Centre for Pluralism will serve as a cornerstone of good governance, the rule of law, and human development in the years ahead - Hon. Jason Kenny, speech in October [View](#)
- The Global Centre for Pluralism - Goals [View](#)
- Dr. Shamsh K. Lakha appointed Minister of Education, Science and Technology [View](#)
- Nation media: Aga Khan Fund joins hands to connect Africa to the world [View](#)
- Seminar on Development Opportunities and Challenges of Chitral [View](#)
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- ❏ Lisbon forum to highlight role of national human rights institutions [View](#)
- ❏ AKFED with 25percent stake in 650M dollar venture to connect Africa with Asia and Europe [View](#)
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- ❑ BlackBerry Solutions to Empower Campus Life at Aga Khan University [View](#)
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- ❑ Senator Mobina Jaffer Saves Lives From Malaria in Uganda [View](#)
- ❑ The Aga Khan Health Service Kenya's Course on Managing A Health Facility [View](#)

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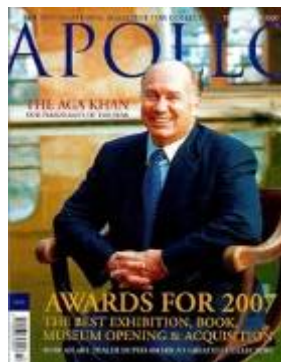


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