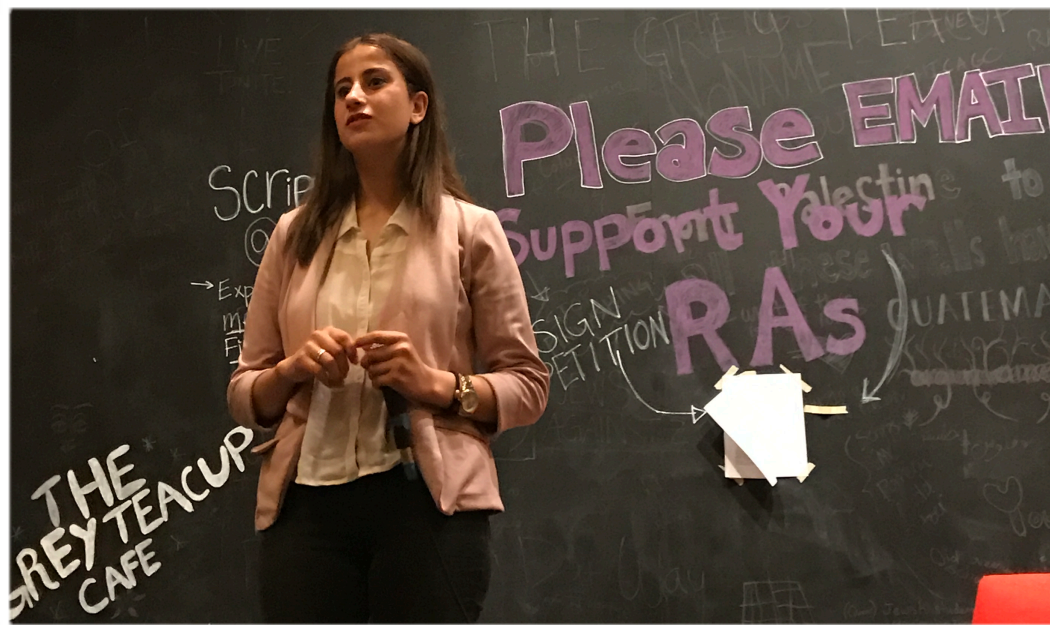


# GC Newsletter

## Newcomer's Guide



### Rawdanur Speaks

We're excited to announce her upcoming events.



### Riverside Art Alliance Market

Showcasing beautiful Afghani handcrafted jewelry, clothing and art.



### ESL Classes

Wednesday & Thursday  
9:30am-11:30am

## Rawdanur on the Mic

A month after her arrival, our keynote advocate takes on university campuses with her story.

Jet lag is no match to Rawdanur's drive. Day 2 of her arrival from Turkey, Rawdanur immediately grabbed Dr. Cranes class' attention. She was greeted with posters and hugs by the students at La Sierra University. She says that prior to coming to the U.S., current political strata at the States worried her

**MAY 4**

**CSUSB**

Surviving Loss- Thriving  
in Life: Refugee  
Education Matters

**MAY 15**

**UCR**

Re envisioning  
Refugees:  
Empowerment Through  
Education

**MAY 17**

**UNIVERSITY OF  
REDLANDS**

6:00pm

but was immediately brought to ease when she was greeted at the airport.

**“The first person to greet me at the airport and say ‘Welcome to America’ was a police officer,” says Rawdanur.**



There’s still some light and she’s convinced that fighting for this cause will make a resounding impact.

It is her intention to share her story to us but she also makes it clear that it is a bilateral communication. She wants to share her experiences here at the U.S. to her friends, families and colleagues back at home as well. Her enthusiasm for the cause and her emphasis on communal and political solidarity speaks volume.

**“I did not come to this world as a refugee; I came as a *human* just like you.”**



She spoke at Scripps College, Claremont on April 24th and met more students and activists. The relaxed vibes inside the Motley Coffee House that warm Monday evening were suddenly amplified by Rawdanur’s voice and energy on stage. Her most anticipated talk, as of yet, will be in collaboration with UCR’s Global Issues Forum and internationally renowned scholar, Dr. Reza Aslan. Please join us and continue to inform yourself with refugee issues. We encourage you to advocate for our refugees at home and abroad.

**Information on Rawdanur’s upcoming events are below.**

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## **Ravdanur Cuma**

Syrian Refugee from a Refugee Camp in Turkey

*Speaking on...*

### **Surviving Loss – Thriving in Life** **Refugee Education Matters**



**May 4, 2017**

**6:00 – 7:30 pm**

**CSUSB, College of Education, Rm 105**

5500 University Pkwy., San Bernardino 92407

Program is free.

Parking \$6 Lot N or East Parking Structure

**Public welcome**

[CSUSBcampusmap-color.pdf](#)

# Re-Envisioning Refugees: Empowering through Education

May 15  
at 7pm

Alumni & Visitors  
Center, UCR

3701 Canyon Crest Dr  
Riverside, CA



**Keynote Speaker:**  
**Ravda Nur Cuma**

Youth Advocate, Activist,  
Syrian Refugee, Refugee  
Advocate, and World  
Humanitarian Summit  
Speaker



**Dr. Jessica Goodkind**  
Sociology Faculty at Univ New Mexico,  
Director of Refugee Well-Being Project



**Sherry MacKay**  
Glocally Connected Co-Founder



**Dr. Selin Yildiz Nielsen**  
Glocally Connected Co-Founder

Moderator



**Dr. Reza Aslan**  
UCR Professor &  
Host of *Believer* on CNN™

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# Empowerment Through Social Entrepreneurship

Here at Glocally Connected, we advocate for our refugee community members by giving their agency back. We believe that social entrepreneurship will enable them to make their own economic decisions and mobility.

On April 22, Glocally Connected, in collaboration with our Afghani English learners, participated in the Riverside Art Market. We helped sell handcrafted Afghani jewelry and clothing. All proceeds went directly to them.



*Art Alliance is a volunteer organization whose members plan, support and participate in activities that benefit the Riverside Art Museum and contribute to its operating budget.*

## Taste of Afghanistan

We have also organized “Taste of Afghanistan,” a local initiative to start a home-made baked good business in the area. The menu and contact information are below.



# A Taste of Afghanistan

**AUTHENTIC HOMEMADE AFGHANI CUISINE**

*Order a tray OR have an entire meal catered*

### APPETIZERS

### DESSERTS



**Samosa**

10 pc Samosa plate \$20



**Bolani**

20 Bolani for \$30

*Taste*   
*theDifference!*

*Impress your guests!*



**Khajoor**

One tray khajoor \$40



**Rout**

One tray rout \$40



**Pakora**

20 pc Pakora plate \$30



**Chapli Kebab**

20 pc Chapli plate \$40



**Gush-e-fell**

One tray \$40



**Baklava**

One tray \$40

To order : Friba (951) 446 7426  
Sherry (951) 907 1538  
Selin (951) 237 2513

## English as a Second Language

Our ongoing ESL classes are held on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:30am-11:30am. We provide the following:

- Multi-Level classes (literacy to advanced)
- Transportation to and from class
- Childcare

Please **visit [www.glocallyconnected.org](http://www.glocallyconnected.org)** for organizational news, event listings, program information, how to help, volunteer opportunities and more!

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