



International Women's Day *Celebration*

Featuring

Dr. Sima Samar

Honoree and Keynote Speaker
Former Minister of Women's Affairs
for Afghanistan

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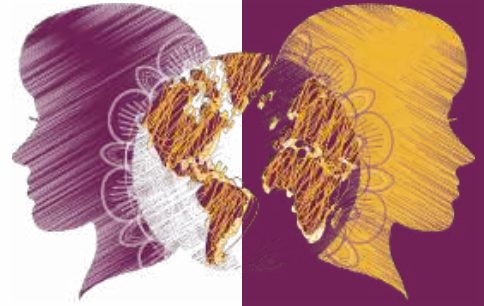
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Friday, March 10, 2023, 3pm
Boston Park Plaza

THE INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF NEW ENGLAND

The International Institute of New England (IINE) creates opportunities for refugees and immigrants to succeed through resettlement, education, career advancement, and pathways to citizenship. Founded in 1918 in Lowell, MA as a community effort to welcome new Americans immigrating to the area, IINE today serves more than 4,000 refugees and immigrants annually with programs in Boston, Lowell, and Manchester, NH.



On March 10, 2023, IINE will host an International Women's Day celebration to honor the achievements of immigrant women and daughters of immigrants who have made a profound difference in New England and the world. This special event highlights refugee and immigrant women's impact on our communities and celebrates women's achievements everywhere.

This year's program will feature a conversation with honoree and keynote speaker **Dr. Sima Samar**, Human Rights Activist and former Vice President of the Interim Administration of Afghanistan and the first Minister for Women's Affairs of Afghanistan. The program will also include Suitcase Stories® performances, inspiring experiences told by those who lived them.



Keynote Speaker and 2023 Honoree

Dr. Sima Samar



In 2002, Dr. Sima Samar became the first Minister of Women's Affairs for Afghanistan's post-Taliban interim government. Prior to her appointment, Dr. Samar had dedicated her life to the preservation of basic rights for women and girls in Afghanistan. She fled her country in 1984 during the Soviet occupation and moved to the border town of Quetta, Pakistan, where she founded the Shuhada Organization to support the education and health needs of Afghan women and girls. Dr. Samar was appointed as a member of the United Nations Secretary-General's High-Level Panel on Internal Displacement in December 2019. In addition to her role as a Panel member, she is a member of the UN Secretary-General's High-Level Advisory Board on Mediation. Previously, Dr. Samar held the positions of Special Envoy of the President of Afghanistan and State Minister for Human Rights and International Affairs.

Their Stories *Your Impact*



Women and girls make up more than 50% of the beneficiaries of IINE services. Today, IINE is supporting women and girls from over 68 countries worldwide. With your support, IINE helps refugee women tap their own resilience as they rebuild their lives in New England communities. Their stories challenge and inspire.



Meet Spanish-language translator Luisa. A Pinpoint Translation staff member originally from the Dominican Republic, Luisa has made translation and interpretation her life's purpose after witnessing how difficult it was for her mother, who was battling cancer, to navigate the U.S. healthcare system without English language skills.

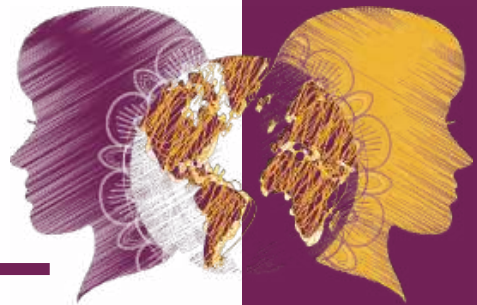


Iryna Sarana arrived in the United States after fleeing war in her home country of Ukraine. Reunited with her mother in Bedford, MA. Iryna left behind her daughter and family, including a granddaughter whom she misses and worries about constantly. Now in New England, Iryna has enrolled in language classes at IINE and received her work permit. She is a photographer looking to restart her life and career here in the U.S.



“In one day, I lost my country, my house, my job. Everything.” Zahra was one of thousands packed into cargo planes at Kabul Airport in the days of panicked evacuation following the Taliban’s resurgence. Zahra’s previous experience working with internally displaced populations, her educational background in sociology, and her positive attitude helped her land a position as an Employment Specialist with IINE, assisting other newly resettled immigrants in navigating the U.S. job market.

Your sponsorships have a significant impact on the lives of the thousands of refugees and immigrants served by IINE every year.



The examples below illustrate how your sponsorship dollars are put to use.

\$50,000 supports the resettlement of 25 refugee families annually, providing each family with access to housing, support services, and case workers

\$25,000 contributes to life-changing one-to-one mentoring and skills support for ten refugee and immigrant youth and young adults

\$15,000 enables 45 women immigrants and refugees to improve their English and communication skills through classes taught by experienced ESOL instructors

\$10,000 helps 15 women refugees gain employment skills so they can secure employment in the hospitality, healthcare, and construction fields in New England

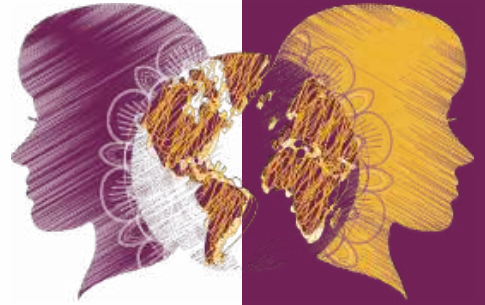
\$5,000 enables four immigrant families seeking U.S. citizenship to access free legal services

\$2,500 trains two women refugees to become Certified Nursing Assistants, adding frontline healthcare workers urgently needed and growing the New England healthcare workforce

\$1,500 provides coats and winter gear to 10 refugee children experiencing their first New England winter.

SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES

All sponsorship packages include listing on the International Women's Day event page and promotional emails, as well as in the IINE Annual Report.



Leader

\$50,000

- Fifteen tickets to the event with reserved seating in the first few rows
- All guests invited to the VIP reception
- Name/corporate branding during pre-show presentation
- Name/company recognition on stage
- Sponsor name/logo featured prominently on table tops at the event on signage and promotional materials
- Links to the company website in digital collateral
- One dedicated social media post created by IINE (pre-event)

Advocate

\$25,000

- Twelve tickets to the live event with reserved seating in the first few rows
- All guests invited to the VIP reception
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- Sponsor name/logo featured prominently at event on signage and promotional materials with links to company website in digital collateral
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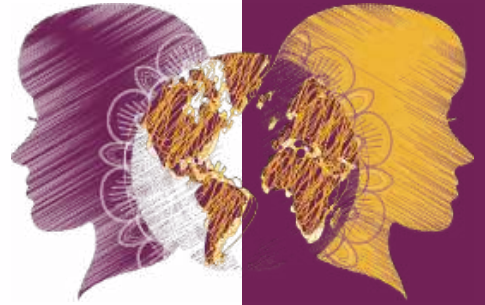
Partner

\$15,000

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Promoter

\$10,000

- Eight tickets to the live event, all guests invited to the VIP reception
- Name/corporate branding during pre-show presentation
- Recognition in all printed event collateral with links to company website in digital collateral

Ally

\$5,000

- Six tickets to the live event
- Name/corporate branding during pre-show presentation
- Recognition in all printed event collateral with links to company website in digital collateral

Friend

\$2,500

- Four tickets to the live event
- Name/corporate branding during pre-show presentation
- Recognition in all printed event collateral with links to company website in digital collateral

Supporter

\$1,500

- Two tickets to the live event
- Recognition in all printed event collateral with links to company website in digital collateral