

# SHANGRI LA

## “The Roles of Women in Contemporary Iran”

A panel discussion with Farideh Farhi,

Marcia Morse, and Marty Nikou

In celebration of Narous, the Persian New Year, and the Persian Nights Film Festival at the Honolulu Academy of Arts, Shangri La, presents a panel discussion examining contemporary Iranian issues

**Saturday, March 21, 2009**

**4:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.**

**Shangri La, Doris Duke Foundation for Islamic Art**

4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Open House

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Panel discussion

6:00p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Reception

Reservations required. Seating is limited. R.S.V.P. by March 13, 2009 via [shangri-la-events@ddcf.org](mailto:shangri-la-events@ddcf.org) or (808) 792-5503.

Van service to Shangri La will begin at 4:15 p.m. from the Kapiolani Community College, Parking Lot B, 4303 Diamond Head Road.

*Please note there is no parking at Shangri La or in the surrounding neighborhood.*

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Farideh Farhi was born in Iran. She has taught at Tehran University and is an independent researcher associated with the University of Hawaii. She has been a recipient of grants from the United States Institute of Peace and the Rockefeller Foundation and was most recently a Public Policy Scholar at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. She has also worked as a consultant for the World Bank and the International Crisis Group.



Marcia Morse received a BFA from Harvard University and an MFA in Printmaking at Stanford University. She is a Professor of Art at Honolulu Community College, an artist, freelance curator, and art critic for *Honolulu Weekly*, *Artweek* and *Art in America*. She has participated in numerous exhibitions and is represented in several private and corporate collections. Her recent series of prints, *Women in Black*, examines issues of women in the Islamic world.



Marty Nikou was born in Iran. He received an MFA from San Francisco State and is working on a degree in American Studies at the University of Hawaii at Manoa. He is a lecturer in visual arts at Honolulu and Windward Community Colleges, a photographer, an award winning poet, and the only Farsi speaking court interpreter in the State of Hawaii.