



**October 2019 Program**  
**Time: Friday, October 04, 2019 at 8:00 pm**  
**Location: Lawrence Hall**  
**Rosemont College**  
**Rosemont, PA 19010**  
Open to the Public

**Poetry session:** For poetry recitation, please contact Mrs. Hooria Shaghghi at: (267) 239-1358

**Lecture by Shahin Sayadi**

***“Story Telling and Minstrelsy in Modern Theater”***



Shahin Sayadi is an international artist who has made significant contributions to almost all aspects of performing arts in Canada and beyond. He was born and raised in Abadan, Iran and he moved to Canada in 1986 and studied Theatre and Scenography at Dalhousie University. In the past 20 years he has founded and is the artistic lead on two successful Canadian professional arts organizations that have national and international impact: Onelight Theatre, based in Toronto, where Shahin writes, designs, directs and at times acts in original theatre works that have been performed across Canada and internationally. Through this Onelight, Shahin has made works that push the boundaries of production and storytelling, while bringing a unique and accessible voice to the stage. And, Prismatic Arts Festival, a professional multi-arts festival that showcases and celebrates the work of Canada’s leading Indigenous (Native American)

and culturally diverse artists. This year for the first time, Prismatic Arts Festival is hosting an International Arts Market to connect Canadian artists to international presenters and producers.

In addition to his work with Onelight and Prismatic, Shahin is actively involved in national, international and regional advocacy and dialogue related to equity, diversity and labor issues in the arts. He regularly teaches workshops and masterclasses in scenography, theatre design and use of technology in theatre, and directing. He is on the board of directors for several major performing arts associations and lives with his family in Los Angeles. Beside his work in performing arts, he is now in process of making several films. Shahin is a lifelong fan of Bruce Lee.

**Break for Tea & Socializing for 20 Minutes**

**Questions and Answers**



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