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WEDU PBS Presents a Community Film Screening and Discussion of Arab American Stories



Tampa, FL – WEDU PBS will host a community screening event featuring the series *Arab American Stories* at the Mildred Sainer Pavilion on the New College campus in Sarasota, **Monday, October 28 at 7:00 p.m.**

Arab American Stories is an Emmy Award-winning 13-part PBS series that explores the diversity of the Arab-American experience. The series was produced by Alicia Sams (who was also the producer/director of the Emmy Award-winning film “By the People: The Election of Barack Obama”) and is hosted by NPR’s Neda Ulaby. The series features character-driven mini-documentaries produced by a variety of independent filmmakers which profile Arab Americans making an impact in their community, their profession, their family or the world at large.

WHAT: FREE screening of *Arab American Stories*, followed by a community discussion.

PRESENTED BY: WEDU PBS, W.K. Kellogg Foundation, Detroit Public TV

WHEN: Monday, October 28th beginning at 7:00 p.m.

WHERE: Mildred Sainer Pavilion, New College Campus, 5313 Bay Shore Road, Sarasota

RSVP: www.wedu.org/arabamericanstories This event is free and open to the public. Seating is limited and a reservation is requested.

ABOUT WEDU PBS

WEDU is West Central Florida’s leading PBS station and public media company reaching 16 counties through media platforms including on-air programming and online experiences that broaden horizons, transport and transform and open gateways to new ideas and new worlds. Financially supported by the community, the organization offers a wealth of award-winning inspirational, educational and enlightening content over a variety of media platforms including: television programming, station’s website, www.wedu.org and various social media platforms, monthly member magazine *Premiere*, educational outreach activities and a myriad of special events. WEDU’s focus on the local community has resulted in the station being regarded as a beacon of trust for men, women and children of every walk of life no matter their age, ethnicity or socio-economic status. WEDU is a treasured community resource; a window to the world for the homebound and a vital educational source for the youngest members of society. WEDU prides itself on its position in the Tampa Bay community as a leader, partner, informed citizen and a member of PBS, the most trusted institution in America (Harris Interactive Trust QuickQuery, January 2013). For more information, program schedules or to support WEDU visit www.wedu.org; WEDU Public Media on Facebook and Twitter or call 813.254.9338.

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