

*Transcending Borders, Empowering Learners:
Reimagining Linguistic & Cultural Exchange During Covid-19*

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A Language & Culture Educators (LACE) Event

Friday, January 28th, 2022

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm EST

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You are invited: LACE (Language and Culture Educators) will host a webinar on January 28, 2022, from 1:00 pm-3:00 pm.

Presenter: Dr. Elizabeth Claire Saylor will discuss lessons learned as founder and director of the Yallah Al-Quds program, in a webinar entitled **Transcending Borders, Empowering Learners: Reimagining Linguistic & Cultural Exchange During Covid-19**. [Yallah Al-Quds](#) (Let's Go Jerusalem) is a student-facilitated, faculty-mentored initiative that promotes ongoing Arabic and English language learning and cultural exchange between speakers of Arabic and English worldwide. Through bilingual theme-centered online discussion groups, hybrid conversational English courses, a virtual lecture series, and professional development workshops – all offered free of charge – Yallah al-Quds facilitators and participants gain real-

world experience and build meaningful relationships with people around the world. Yallah Al-Quds seeks to radically reimagine language learning spaces by embracing a radical, anti-hierarchical approach to teaching and learning that prioritizes inclusivity, accessibility, reciprocity, and active responses to racism and unconscious bias.

Dr. Elizabeth C. Saylor is Assistant Professor of Arabic at North Carolina State University and holds degrees from Columbia University and the University of California, Berkeley. An award-winning teacher of Arabic language and literature, Elizabeth has taught at Columbia, Berkeley, Bard College, and Middlebury College. Her research focuses on Arab women's literature, *mahjar* literature, the early Arabic novel, and early Syrian immigration to North and South America.

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