

Toronto Quran Exhibition at Masumeen Islamic Centre (MIC), Brampton

During the blessed month of Ramadan, **Toronto Quran Exhibition (TQE)** was held at the Masumeen Islamic Centre in Brampton, ON, for two nights. *Alhamdu lillāh* the event went smoothly on both nights. The coordinator for the event was Hajj Hasan Habib and report was prepared by Hajj Mohammad Zahid Salehmohamed.



An email was sent out to all the volunteers after the event, requesting their input. *Alhamdu lillāh* two volunteers responded as below:

Volunteer one:

- **Experience:** The experience was meaningful as it was unique; the volunteer learned a lot from the exhibit by looking at the different Quran translations and the biographies of the authors.
- **Highlights:** Most attendees looked at the tables but only a few asked questions of interest to learn more about the translations; volunteers had to initiate engagement with the attendees for the attendees to feel less hesitant to ask questions and learn more about the translations and the exhibit.
- **Improvement:** To improve for the next TQE event, have volunteers more prepared and informed about the authors and translations to engage more with participants. Also, potentially have printed information about specific Quran translations and their authors on a separate page to keep with each Quran so that attendees can read the details of the Quran/author while volunteers speak to other attendees.

Volunteer two:

- **Experience:** The experience was very meaningful; the volunteer enjoyed learning and reading about the different types of Qurans, translations, and seeing the earliest translations available.
- **Highlights:** There was a young girl who went and kissed every Quran; it was heartwarming to see her show so much love. Another highlight was seeing the participants' interest in the different translations and which ones they enjoyed most.
- **Improvement:** Having labels near each translation that provides a small summary of the translation. It took quite some time to try and find information for each translation to share with others.

It is good to know that both the volunteers agreed to assist in future events.

The organizer of TQE and their sponsors are grateful to Almighty Allah *'azzā wajall* for providing us with the opportunity of staging the fifth event at Masumeen Islamic Center, since its inception the second event in year AH 1445/2024 CE. Before, this we had a successful at Ramadan Expo in Mississauga, ON from February 17 – 19, 2024.

We convey our gratitude to the Executive of MIC for facilitating the event and cooperating with us throughout the event. God willing, we will try to arrange a bigger exhibition at a convenient time.

Comments from the Visitors' Sign-In Book:

- I was interesting and informative. Naqihaidar
- Thank you Masumeen for the exhibition. My both sons were very impressed by the collection. Tazzulhussein.
- Eye-opening exhibit. MashaAllah. God bless you all. Saif Al-Mousavy
- Thank you for such an exhibition where I was enlightened to know to such beautiful version of Quranic translations to exist in one place. Syed Muhammad Ali Kazmi.

The TQE administration is also thankful to the volunteers for their time and dedication in making the exhibition of Quran translations in English a success and attractive. Only, Almighty Allah can reward them for their efforts. May Allah instill the love of the Quran in them and in their progeny.

Names of the volunteers, in alphabetical order:

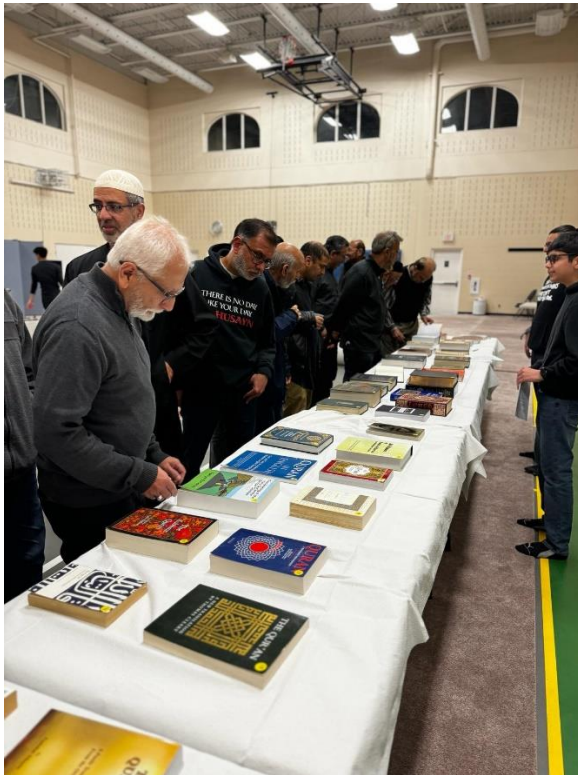
Hasan Habib, Hasnain Merchant, Helia Safaee, Meesam Merchant, Masud Hussain, Mohammad Zahid Salehmohamed, Mohammed Abbas Mohsin, Mona Kibria, Mujahid Lila, Nabeel Jafferli, Qays Muhammad Lila, Shahbaz Raza, Sheikh Jaffer Jafferli, Sukaina Abbas, Zainab Walji-Salehmohamed, and Zamin Mohsin.

Night 1

- Date: Wednesday March 20th, 2024
- Islamic date: 10th night of Shahr Ramadan (Bibi Khadijah's wafāt)
- Location: Gymnasium, men's side
- Number of people attending: 90 to 100 people
- Types of questions people asked:
 - What is the best translation that is available?
- Pictures:

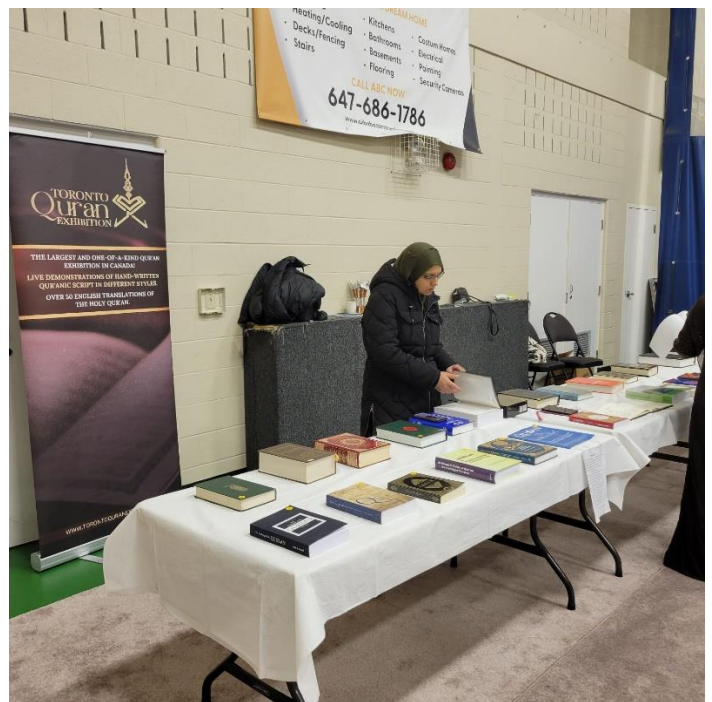


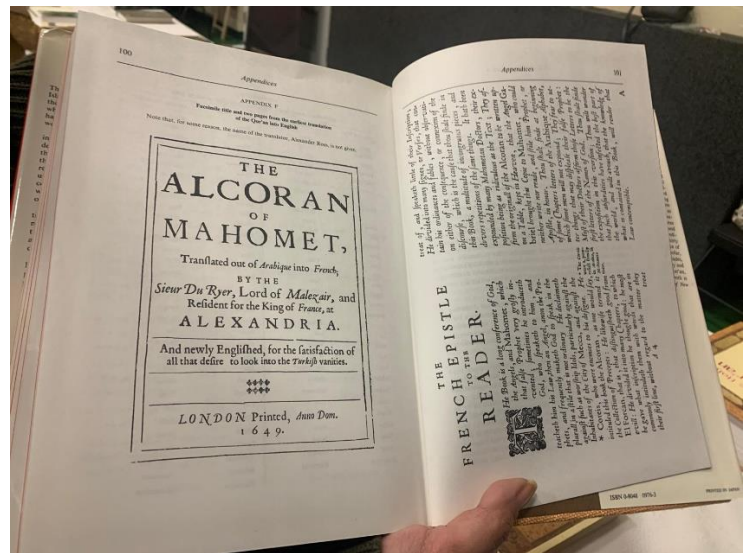
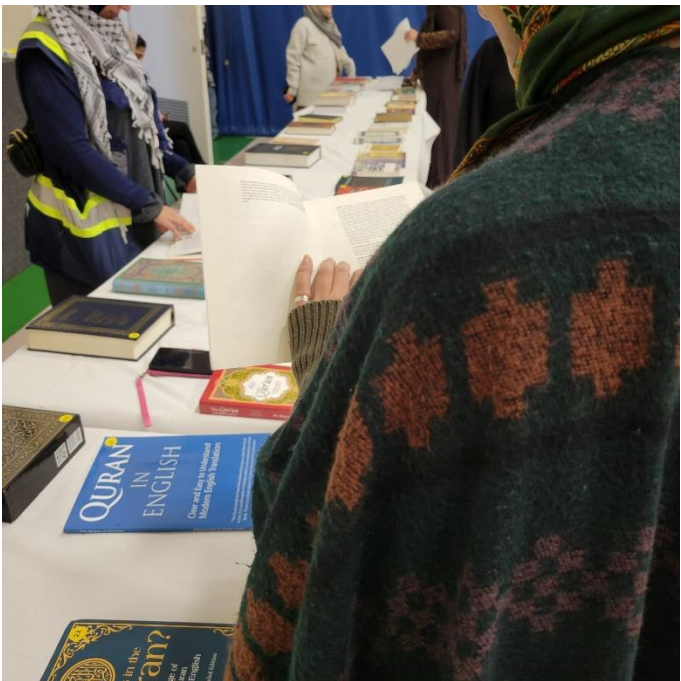




Night 2

- Date: Thursday March 21st, 2024
- Islamic date: 11th night of Shahr Ramadan (Thursday night)
- Location: Gymnasium, ladies' side
- Number of people attending: 60 to 70 people
- Types of questions people asked:
 - Which translation was the earliest?
 - Which translation is best for children?
 - Is the translation by a Sunni or a Shia?
 - What is the easiest translation to follow?
- Pictures:







If you have any suggestions to improve future Quran Exhibitions, please contact us at info@TorontoQuranExhibition.com

Our success truly rests with Allah *‘azza wajall*.

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