

*united muslims of australia*  
**uma**

today's  
youth  
tomorrow's  
leaders





***Allah (SWT) says “And who is better in speech than he who [says: “My Lord is Allah (believes in His Oneness),” and then stands firm (acts upon His Order), and] invites (men) to Allah’s (Islamic Monotheism), and does righteous deeds, and says: “I am one of the Muslims.” (41;33)***



## what is the uma?

The United Muslims of Australia (UMA) are a non-profit, community and Islamic Dawah organisation that focuses on reviving the Islamic spirit in peoples lives' in accordance to the Quran and Sunnah within a balanced framework of Islamic teachings.

## aims and objectives of the uma...

- To provide Muslim youth with a safe and secure environment through our multi-purpose youth centre to assist in providing religious, cultural, educational, employment and recreational programs.
- Provide Islamic lessons, forums, conferences and camps to Muslim youth that advocates the Sunnah of the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH).
- To preserve the identity of Muslim youth and to help overcome the problems faced in modern Australian society.
- To provide religious advice and successfully meet the religious needs of the community.
- To introduce Islam to non-Muslims in its purest form as a comprehensive system and way of life and to provide new Muslims with advocacy and support.
- To assist the Muslim community through training, communication and cooperation.
- To represent the interests of the Islamic community at a local, state and national level.
- To educate and mentor Muslim youth in order to become active and positive Australian citizens.
- To establish a relationship of dialogue, understanding and coordination between Muslim and non-Muslim organisations and community groups.

## services provided by the uma...

### The UMA Centre

The UMA Centre was established in 2002 as an alternative venue for the Muslim youth to socialise and to take part in a variety of educational, recreational & religious activities. It is currently Australia's largest Islamic Youth Centre that caters for the increasing needs of the growing Islamic community within the country.

Over the years the UMA centre has provided & continues to provide many services & products to ensure today's youth are equipped with the skills to be well educated, confident & outstanding members of the Australian community.

The centre offers its members & the wider community a variety of quality services that includes but is not restricted to the following...

- **Professional Men's Gym**
- **Indoor & Outdoor Sport Activities**
- **Martial Arts & Boxing**
- **Educational Classrooms**
- **Counselling & Career Advice**
- **Table Tennis & Pool Tables**
- **Lecture Theaters**
- **Games Room**
- **Function Hall and**
- **Offices and Conference Rooms**

### UMA Dawah Initiatives

At the UMA, Dawah is an integral part for the brothers and sisters to promote the authentic teachings of the Quran & Sunnah. This is achieved within a balanced framework of Islamic teachings.

Frequent Dawah activities conducted by the UMA include...

- **Lectures** at various Mosques within Australia cover major topics on Islamic principles as well as contemporary issues challenging Muslims in this time & era.
- **Open Barbeques** attracting Muslim youth to an Islamic, friendly & social environment.
- **Monthly Islamic Panels** allowing the community to raise questions or concerns to prominent local, national & international religious & professional speakers.
- **Annual Conferences** targeting the wider community to discuss & promote Islamic teachings within an educational & social setting.
- **Regular Youth Camps** (for various age categories) to influence & shape young Muslims to be active members & role models in their community.
- **Visiting Young Muslim Youth** through our established Out Reach (Jawlah) Program.
- **Counseling Services** to help Muslims overcome current challenges.



# ***uma*** ***initiatives*** ***& projects***



## Australian New Muslim Association (ANMA) | [www.anma.com.au](http://www.anma.com.au)

The objective of establishing this Association was to fill a void within the Muslim community and Ummah for the emergence of New Muslims. Prior to establishing this Association, no institution existed that offered guidance, education and the correct way of maintaining ones Islam to New Muslims. In some cases, the lack of support and means for education resulted in these New Muslims reverting to their previous faith.

The Australian New Muslims Association remains an avenue to insight awareness to the wider community relating to the reality of Islam, its authentic teachings and morale and a perfect way of living.

### **ANMA provides the following services to New Muslims:**

- Facilitating 'The Shahadah Ceremony' when an individual embraces Islam.
- Organising events and social gatherings for new Muslims to interact and socialise with other Muslims, e.g. barbeques and dinners.
- Facilitating and holding Mosque Open Days specifically encouraging Non Muslims to attend.
- Presenting public lectures at local venues.
- Interfaith dialogues.
- Dawah courses: Misconceptions about Islam and Comparative Religions.
- Fundraising Events such as dinners, barbeques and Eid festivals.
- Prayer program and prayer kits including: an instructional video on how to pray, compass, prayer mat and a book, which are all given to new Muslims upon reversion.
- Creating and devising Dawah material such pamphlets and other useful items.
- Regular visits to establish and maintain contact with new Muslims and Muslim youth.

## Sydney Islamic College (SydneyIC) | [www.sydneyic.org.au](http://www.sydneyic.org.au)

Sydney Islamic College is an independent, non-profit educational institution based in Sydney, Australia. It was established in 2005 by sincere and enthusiastic Muslim brothers and sisters, with the supervision of qualified Muslim scholars.

The Institution was established to fulfill the need of an authentic Islamic educational system for Muslims living in the west, according to the Qur'an and Sunnah.

### **Aims & Objectives:**

- To teach the fundamentals of Islam through an accredited and qualified teachers, according to the prescribed Shari'ah.
- To propagate authentic Islamic Sciences and Literature to annual religious innovations and embrace moderation (the middle way) in Islam.
- To rectify the misconceptions about Islam and to present Islam in its correct form to both Muslims and Non-Muslims.
- To provide a much-needed educational system that plants and fosters Islamic ethics and values in students attaining academic knowledge, progressing to successful Du'aat (Callers of Islam) and effective role models for others recognizable by their manners, character and knowledge.

Sydney Islamic College provides its students with a two year diploma in Islamic Studies in various subject's and modules such as Islamic Creed, Sunnah and its Science, Quran and its Science, Islamic Jurisprudence and its Principles, Islamic History and its Civilization, Islamic Ethics and Manners.

All subjects are offered on-line through our distinguished distance education program and are simultaneously presented at the UMA centre in a classroom environment. All subjects and modules are taught by recognized and qualified scholars

### **Quranic Lessons**

Sydney Islamic College also provides its students with Quranic classes providing the opportunity to memorise the holy Quran in its entirety, while at the same time ensuring its perfect recitation using appropriate Tajweed.

### **Arabic Courses**

Sydney Islamic College also offers the opportunity to learn Arabic, the language of the holy Quran. Students learn to read, write, speak and understand the Arabic language.

Intense courses are also made available throughout the year covering a variety of topics such as Marriage, Zakat, Hajj and many other theme-related issues.



## Islamic Media International | [www.islamicmedia.com.au](http://www.islamicmedia.com.au)

Islamic Media International is a multi-media division of the UMA providing Muslims access to download hundreds of lectures on a variety of topics and themes by renowned local, national and international speakers. This free service reaches thousands of Muslims around the world in a quest to provide our Ummah with a rich and balanced teaching of Islam.

This unique division of the UMA has also used other forms of multi-media to engage in Dawah such as our YouTube Channel Spiltmoon Productions.

Its role also encompasses recording and duplicating thousands of CDs and DVD's annually and distributing them at no cost to various mosques and venues across the world.

## Sydney Muslim Youth (SMY) | [www.sydneymuslimyouth.com](http://www.sydneymuslimyouth.com)

Sydney Muslim Youth was established to focus on the needs of the next generation of Muslim youth. The services are primarily tailored to focus mainly on High School and Secondary School Students across the Sydney Metropolitan Area.

Our vision is to have a generation of young Muslims who are proud of their religion, strong in their faith and who will have a positive impact to society that they live in while simultaneously shaping youth to become future leaders.

**Sydney Muslim Youth offers a wide range of services that extends well beyond the classroom. They include:**

- Friday Sermons at various High Schools across Sydney to fulfill an obligatory part of Islam
- Youth Counseling and Career advise
- Youth activities and camps and
- Holiday vocational care
- An Islamic website and forum that will help the Muslim youth on the internet to be engaged in an appropriate and Islamic web environment.

## The Message Magazine | [www.messagemagazine.com.au](http://www.messagemagazine.com.au)

The Message magazine is a non - profitable Islamic publication, which strives to inform Muslims and non-Muslims within the community about the practices and values of Islam.

It provides useful answers to youths who are struggling to form an Islamic identity in a westernised country by providing necessary channels to ask significant members of the Islamic community questions, in turn providing the necessary means to make informed decisions.

The Message Magazine emphasises the importance of knowledge and peace within the community and promotes friendships among all people. We believe it is essential to build bridges within the Muslim and other non-Muslim communities through the establishment of mutual respect, understanding and education. The magazine attempts to serve as a medium to achieve these objectives and to endorse working together to help foster harmony within our community.

Through dedication of our staff and demand from our loyal readers, we have now grown into a 28 page, full colour gloss magazine with a circulation of 5000 copies distributed throughout Australia, free of charge.

### **The Message Magazine Content**

Some of our more recent publications include issues on...

- Ramadan & Eid
- Family
- Hajj,
- Reviving Islam
- The Hereafter
- Concept of Wealth in Islam
- Manners
- Etiquettes
- Marriage

## Islamic Friday Sermon Services (IFS) | [www.khottbah.com](http://www.khottbah.com)

IFS provides different mosques and prayer halls with highly trained Khateebis to give Friday sermons across the Sydney Metropolitan Area.

Each week, IFS coordinates Khutbahs at over 50 sites with the purpose of ensuring that our Muslim community are provided with an opportunity to fulfill its Friday prayer obligations.

All Khutbahs are offered in the English language to meet the demands of the large English speaking Muslim community who attend.

## Zamzam Hajj and Ummrah Tour Groups | [www.hajj.com.au](http://www.hajj.com.au)

“And hajj (pilgrimage to Makkah) to the house (Kabah) is a duty that mankind owes to Allah, those who can afford the expenses” (3:97)

Due to an increasing demand for Hajj and Ummrah group packages whose program and itinerary is English based, the UMA established the Zamzam Hajj and Ummrah tour group tailored for English speaking pilgrims to fulfill the fifth pillar of Islam.

This not-for-profit tour group ensures pilgrims fulfill their pilgrimage obligations as conveniently, professionally and effectively as possible. Each tour group leader is accompanied by qualified scholars that are highly experienced in performing all Hajj rituals.

## UMA Zakat Fund | [www.zakatfund.com.au](http://www.zakatfund.com.au)

The UMA Zakat Fund provides the community with the opportunity to fulfill its religious charity obligations by providing Muslims with an avenue to give Zakat.

The Zakat is in turn distributed to people in need. A great portion is also integrated within our other major Dawah initiatives to sponsor students who are seeking Islamic knowledge abroad (entitling them to receive Zakat).

The Zakat Fund is also used to assist new Muslims and sponsoring Du'aat (Callers of Islam) who are in need of financial assistance and fit into the Zakat recipient category.

## UMA Sisterhood | [www.uma.org.au/sisterhood](http://www.uma.org.au/sisterhood)

Through the use of the UMA centre, the sisterhood provides vital services to the growing demand of sisters seeking Islamic knowledge and interaction in a safe, sister's only environment.

***The UMA Sisterhood offers all Sisters the following programs and activities:***

- Main lessons by various speakers
- Fun activities
- Sport and fitness classes
- Muslim Women's Issues
- Youth programme
- Young children's play group
- Socialising sessions





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