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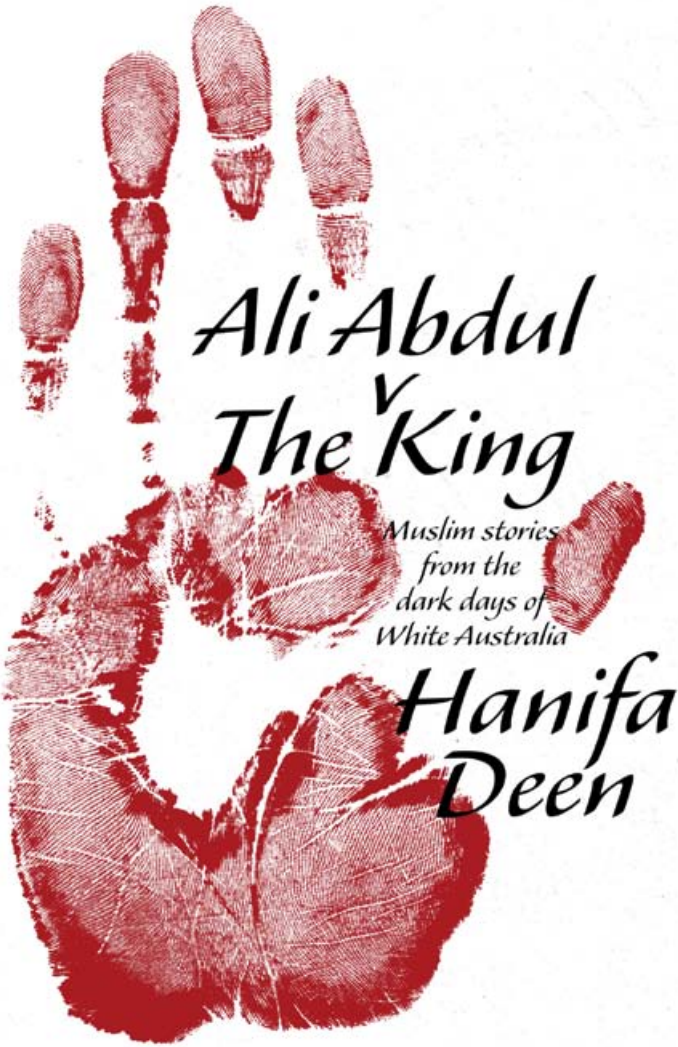

The Centre for the Study of Contemporary Muslim Societies and the Writing & Society Research Group, at the University of Western Sydney are pleased to present

Hanifa Deen

ALI ABDUL V's the KING.
MUSLIM STORIES FROM THE DARK DAYS OF WHITE AUSTRALIA.

Author Hanifa Deen joins us to talk about her newly released book, *Ali Abdul V's The King: Muslim stories from the dark days of White Australia*. This fascinating collection of narratives combines storytelling with the history of some of Australia's early Muslim arrivals. These stories may even help explain some of the moral ambiguities and strange ironies that trouble us today.

Friday 12 August, 2pm – 3:30pm

Building 3, room 55, Bankstown campus, Bullecourt Ave, Milperra via the Henry Lawson Drive exit of the M5

Hanifa Deen is an award-winning Australian author who writes narrative non-fiction, which she sees as the perfect medium for a woman with an irreverent tongue, a maverick Muslim perspective on life, and a passion to subvert stereotypes wherever they lurk. She is also a feminist and a great believer in the capacity of women to reinvent themselves, and is particularly fond of disobedient women in history, literature and real life. She has held a number of high-profile positions in ethnic affairs and equal opportunity and maintains a strong interest in international human rights. Her first book *Caravanserai* won a NSW Premier's Literary Award in 1996; her second book *Broken Bangles* was short-listed for the 1998 Western Australian Premier's Book Awards; her last book *The Jihad Seminar* was short-listed for the Australian Human Rights Commission's Literature Non-Fiction Award 2008. She is currently an Honorary Fellow at the Asia Institute's National Centre of Excellence in Islamic Studies, University of Melbourne and Editor of www.sultanasdream.com.au More at: www.hanifadeen.com

All Welcome. Please RSVP for catering by 8 August to Eva Garcia, e.garcia@uws.edu.au