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present

A Gathering of Voices:
Sacred Songs and Recitations for the World Interfaith Harmony Week

A rare opportunity to listen to representatives of five major religions: Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism, Christianity and Islam, reciting and singing the fundamental prayers and chants of their traditions in their original languages.

Doctrines are often difficult to grasp, translations may distract us, discussions tend towards argument, but music speaks in a subtler way, directly and simultaneously to our combined faculties, vibrating and conveying the essence of sacred words past any mental or emotional barriers. In this event we will focus on simply listening to age-old rhythms, melodies and sacred words, transmitted mostly from an untraceable past, which are at the heart of five major world civilisations and at the heart of the lives of millions of faithful across the world.

With a brief introduction giving the context and particular importance of each piece, we will have traditional recitations of the Vedas, Buddhist sutras, Jewish Torah recitation and chants, Christian chants and Islamic Qur'an recitation and Sufi chants, for an illuminating and enjoyable celebration of the United Nations World Interfaith Harmony Week.

www.worldinterfaithharmonyweek.com

DATE: TUESDAY, 7 FEBRUARY 2012
TIME: 3:00–5:00pm
VENUE: GARDEN ROOM, ST EDMUND’S COLLEGE
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THIS IS A FREE EVENT — EVERYONE WELCOME
TEA & COFFEE WILL BE SERVED