

# Bahá'í Conference 2022

*Preparing for a Dynamic Thrust Forward*



This year Bahá'ís all around the globe are being called to hold conferences to prepare for a bold plan of action - working to release the society-building power of the Bahá'í Faith. We are called to work with friends, co-workers and partner with anyone who likewise wishes to build vibrant communities where service, worship and education are at the forefront. In our two-day event, open to one and all, we will look at what it means to prepare for this dynamic thrust forward.

Each day will include a lunch and a film. During the morning and afternoon sessions there will be some activities that are appropriate for all ages. During the breakout sessions a special "Children's Jam" with a special program for the younger conference participants will be held in a separate room.

The conference is free to attend. You may register on-site or online by [filling out this form](#). If you have any questions please contact the Scottsdale Bahá'í Assembly at [Isaofscottsdale@gmail.com](mailto:Isaofscottsdale@gmail.com). A detailed program for the two days is included below.

## Conference Day 1: "A Vision of the Future"

Saturday, June 4

**10:00-10:30 Doors open, registration**

**10:30-11:00 Welcome and Introduction**

**11:00-1:00 Morning Session**

*This session will focus on "Bahá'u'lláh's Vision for Humanity." We will look at the role that religion plays in promoting the wellbeing of humanity, and discuss what it means for society to be built on spiritual principles. This session includes a short presentation, an art activity, and small group discussions. Includes a 10 minute break at 12:00*

**12:00-1:00 Children's Noontime Jam**

**1:00-2:00 Lunch**

**2:00-3:00 Film screening "Glimpses of a Hundred Years of Endeavour"**

*This film provides glimpses into a hundred years of endeavour and learning, carried out by a burgeoning Bahá'í community, and outlines the journey that has led to the community's current efforts to contribute to the emergence of a world based on the principle of the oneness of humanity.*

**3:00-5:00 Afternoon Session**

*The theme of this session will be appreciation of the distance we have traversed thus far in working to build a better society. This session includes an interactive activity based on the film, an art activity, and small group discussions. Includes a 10 minute break at 4:00*

**4:00-5:00 Children's Afternoon Jam**

**5:00-5:30 Closing Program**

*The program will close with some brief remarks, music, and a presentation from the children.*

## Conference Day 2: "Building Society Together"

Saturday, June 18

**10:00-10:30 Doors open, registration**

**10:30-11:00 Welcome and Introduction**

**11:00-1:00 Morning Session**

*This session will focus on what it means to have a vibrant community life. We will look at the importance of its devotional life—and how to nurture it—as well as the role education and training play in its development. This session includes music and worship, art activities, and small group discussions. Includes a 10 minute break at 12:00.*

**12:00-1:00 Children's Noontime Jam**

**1:00-2:00 Lunch**

**2:00-3:00 Film Screening "Exemplar"**

*Exemplar follows the life of 'Abdu'l-Bahá and the profound effect He had on people both past and present. A sense of 'Abdu'l-Bahá's unique function as a shelter, a shield, a stronghold for all humanity is captured in vignettes of some of the souls whose lives were transformed for the betterment of society through their association with Him. The film reflects a few of the universal principles embodied, both in word and deed, by 'Abdu'l-Bahá—principles that animate a global movement of individuals, communities and institutions striving to emulate His example in service to humanity.*

**3:00-5:00 Afternoon Session**

*This session will focus on the education of children and junior youth (11-14), the role that youth play in our community, and adult education. How is our capacity to serve the community strengthened through group study, practice and mutual support? After the break we will turn our attention to the importance of engaging in the prevalent discourses of society and to forms of social action aiming to improve social welfare—both materially and spiritually. The session includes large group activities, art activities, and small group discussions. Includes a 10 minute break at 4:00.*

**3:30-5:00 Children's Afternoon Jam**

**5:00-5:30 Closing Program**

*The program will close with some brief remarks, music, and a presentation from the children.*