

## ONTARIO HISTORY JOURNAL CALL FOR PAPERS

### THEME ISSUE: BEING MUSLIM IN ONTARIO

June 2026 is the fifth anniversary of the 2021 London, Ontario terrorist attack. In response to a subsequent National Summit on Islamophobia, the National Council of Canadian Muslims issued several recommendations, including specific efforts to uncover and better interpret Muslim histories in Canada. *Ontario History* recognizes that the historiography associated with this subject is very limited. We are hoping to make a start toward redress by publishing a special theme issue on subjects related to the matter of Muslim identities in Ontario, from the beginnings of Muslim immigration in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century to our own times. We encourage scholars, graduate students, community workers, policy-advisers, instructors and museum/site curators (etc) from any disciplinary background to submit an abstract or proposal. As a historical journal, we will feature work that is historicized. Historiographical reviews, archival notes and fully-contextualized photo essays are also welcome. All submissions will be anonymized and assessed by two anonymous reviewers before publication.

**Topics may include, but are not limited to:**

- Muslim culture and community, as experienced and/or represented by the receiving culture
- the roles of education and religious ritual in sustaining community
- adaptation and “assimilation” in official policy toward Muslims
- adaptation and “assimilation” as survival strategies by Muslims
- the arts, literature, media, cultural celebrations as a means of preserving identity

**We hope to publish this special issue by Spring 2027.**

Please send a 300-word abstract and brief biography to [editor@ontariohistoricalsociety.ca](mailto:editor@ontariohistoricalsociety.ca)

Abstract due: ~~15 December 2025~~ extended to 10 January 2026

Authors notified: 15 January 2026

First submission due: 1 September 2026 (10,000 words).

Please see our [Guide for Authors](#). This should be a fully-referenced clean copy, including any illustrations, subject to revision and copy-editing.

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