

Mevlevi Sufi Celebrations

with *Postneshin Jaleleddin Loras*

Open Zikr Weekend October 9 - 11

Turn and Sema Training October 7 - 9

Charles Town, West Virginia

**"Again the violet bows to the lily...
the anemone's sweet features appear.
The hyacinth speaks formally to the jasmine,
'Peace be with you.' 'And peace to you, lad!
Come walk with me in this meadow.'
Again, there are sufis everywhere!"**

- Hz. Pir Mevlana Jaleleddin Rumi



The Mevlevi Order of America (MOA) is a sufi order based on the teachings and living tradition of the mystic poet Mevlana Jaleleddin Rumi. Postneshin Jaleleddin Loras, founder and guide of MOA, is the beloved son of Suleyman Hayati Dede, former Sheikh of Konya, Turkey. For more about this spiritual lineage, visit www.hayatidede.org.

Please join us in creating another joyous gathering!

The **Open Zikr Weekend** Friday, October 9 through Sunday the 11th will feature:

- * Remembrance of our Oneness through chanting and dance (*zikr*)
- * Live sufi music and singing (*ilahis*)
- * Rumi's poetry
- * Spiritual discussion (*sohbet*)



The weekend will be preceded by **Turn and Sema Training**

Wednesday the 7th through Friday the 9th, featuring:

- * Training in the Mevlevi practice of Turning (whirling)
- * Training in Sema, the Mevlevi Turning ceremony
- * Zikr, live music, singing, poetry, and sohbet

Some prior experience is recommended for this event.

The site of the retreat, owned and operated by the Claymont Society, is on a beautiful rural property of 350 acres (www.claymont.org). It is conveniently located near the Virginia/Maryland border, less than an hour from Dulles International Airport.

Prices for tuition, lodging, and meals begin at \$215 for each event.

Discounts and tuition aid may be available for early registrants.

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