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Letters to the Editor

Exhibition celebrates Muslim, Jewish unity

We wish to publicly thank those who attended the opening of *Drinking From the Same Well* on Sept. 12 at the Jewish Cultural Center. The exhibit of photographs by Los Angeles artist Rose-Lynn Fisher, which runs through Nov. 14, documents the peaceful coexistence between Jews and Muslims in Morocco.

The Islamic Education and Services Institute and the Jewish Community Federation of Greater Chattanooga joined together to bring this exhibit to our city. It is the beginning of partnership that we plan to build on in the future. We appreciate the support we received from both Allied Arts and individual donors to make this exhibit a reality.

Over 125 Jewish, Muslim and Christian Chattanoogaans attended the opening reception as did His Excellency Aziz Mekouar, the Kingdom of Morocco's ambassador to the United States; exhibit photographer Rose-Lynn Fisher; Sir Charles Dahan, World Vice President of the World Federation of Moroccan Jewry; and Chattanooga City Councilman Yusuf Hakeem.

Mayor Bob Corker declared September 12 *Drinking From the Same Well* Day. In addition, Mr. Hakeem presented on the mayor's behalf, proclamations declaring Ms. Fisher and Mr. Mekouar honorary citizens of Chattanooga.

In a time when difficulties between Jews and Muslims dominate the news, we feel it is important to bring events and partnerships like these to the community's attention.

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