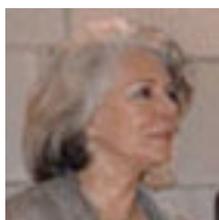


The Monthly Salon, *East-West Mosaic: Alchemy of Transformation*,
presents a special talk given by
international lecturer, author, distinguished professor and
ordained minister,
Dr. Ana Perez-Chisti

Sunday, Dec. 16, 2012 at 4 p.m.
709 Arbona Circle in Sonoma, CA

Following the program there will be a discussion and holiday potluck dinner. A \$7 donation is requested but no one will be turned away. Call (209) 533-4208 for reservations and directions.

Dr. Perez-Chisti will address the “Heart of Compassion” theme in mystical Christianity, from the perspectives of Meister Eckhart, Julian of Norwich and Hildegard von Bingen. These are the mystics who brought new life and fresh insights into the old Fall / Redemption paradigm — the philosophical system that espouses that we were born in original sin and must spend the rest of our lives redeeming ourselves on earth. Instead, these mystics infused profound insights into the wisdom traditions of the world — insights focusing on the concept that, rather than being born into original sin, we were born into original blessing.



Dr. Perez-Chisti, Ph.D. is a Core Faculty member at the Institute of Transpersonal Psychology (Palo Alto) and a lecturer at the University of California-Berkeley. Her areas of expertise include Comparative World Religions, Mystical

Traditions, Eastern and Western Philosophy, Jungian Psychology, Women Saints and Prophets, and Psycho-Spiritual Synthesis. Her interests extend to yoga, dance and the martial arts.

She has maintained a private counseling practice in California for two decades. For over 30 years, she has prepared hundreds of students in interfaith studies and spiritual ethics for positions that serve the global community. She has been an advisor to state, federal and private agencies specializing in homeless shelter support, hospice care, and emergency food distribution in global areas devastated by natural disasters, war and political upheavals.

Seeking a dynamic synthesis of the cultural and spiritual values of all people, the Salon celebrates our unity in diversity.

Launched in November 2011, *East-West Mosaic* features distinguished authors, scholars and teachers (from the Bay Area and beyond) exploring the world’s great wisdom traditions from antiquity onward — encompassing Sufi, Islamic, Buddhist, Hindu, and Judeo-Christian belief systems.

Universal values and deep affinities uniting the Eastern and Western worlds are featured topics. Other arenas for Salon exploration are the unique dimensions of each tradition’s spiritual underpinnings — their mystical, philosophical and cultural/artistic riches.

Salon founder, **Ashgar Gholami, a Clinical Laboratory Scientist**, has studied for over 25 years in the Sufi lineage of Shah Maghsoud Sadegh Angha, a spiritual master and poet considered by many to be comparable to the Persian mystics, Rumi and Attar.

Salon organizer **Jenny Lenore Rosenbaum, travel writer**, hopes these dynamic speakers, and the discussions they engender, will serve to inspire, exhilarate, and illuminate — in the process, opening transformative pathways and serving as catalysts to:

- Cognitive expansion
- Physical and emotional healing
- Self-realization / attainment of one’s highest potential
- Deep inner growth and spiritual empowerment