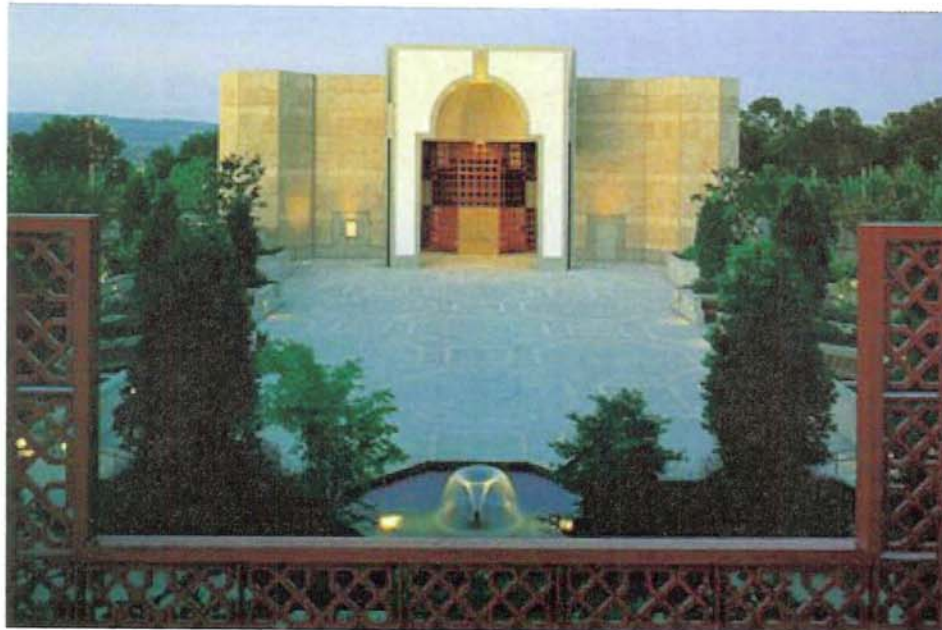




Ismaili Jamatkhana and Centre Burnaby, British Columbia

“It will be a place of congregation, of order, of peace, of prayer, of hope, of humility and brotherhood...It has been conceived and will exist in a mood of friendship, courtesy and harmony.”

His Highness The Aga Khan, at the opening of the Ismaili Jamatkhana and Centre in 1985



Awards:

October 1986 - Burnaby Parks & Recreation Commission, Burnaby Beautification Committee: for Worthy Contribution towards the Beautification of the Municipality of Burnaby

November 1996 - Burnaby Parks & Recreation Commission, Burnaby Beautification Committee: for continued contribution towards the Beautification of the Municipality of Burnaby

Architect: Bruno Freschi

Photo: Garry Otte





Lions Gate Jamatkhana & Ismaili Centre North Vancouver, British Columbia

Conversion of a large tennis facility into a Jamatkhana, including exterior façade, addition of underground parking, landscaping, and interiors.

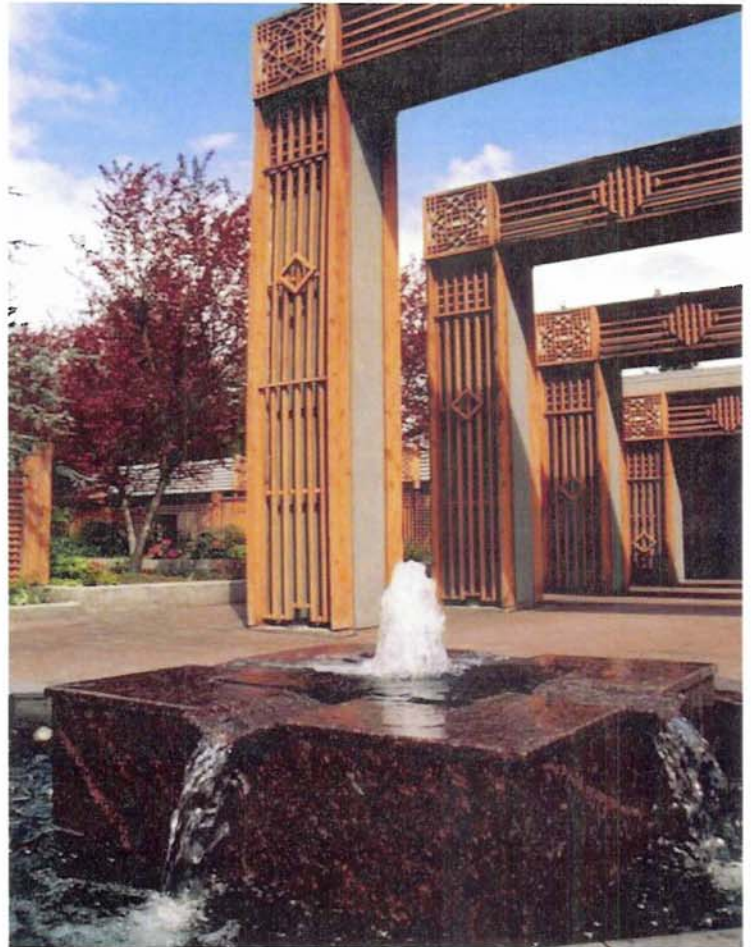
Awards:

1994 - Award of Merit from the Canadian Wood Council

2002 - Special Recognition for Excellence in Design and Lighting (Mayor and Council, District of North Vancouver)

2002 – BC Illumination Design Award

2002 – International Illumination Design Award



Previous Tennis Facility



Current Facility

Architect: FNDA Architecture Inc.

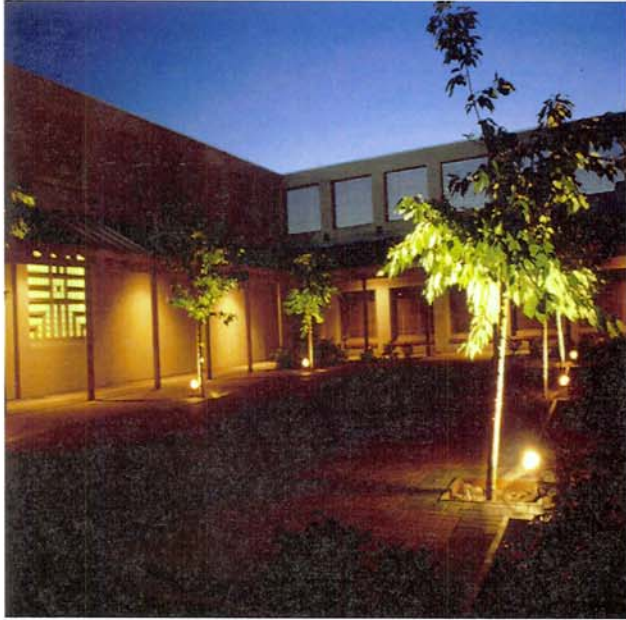




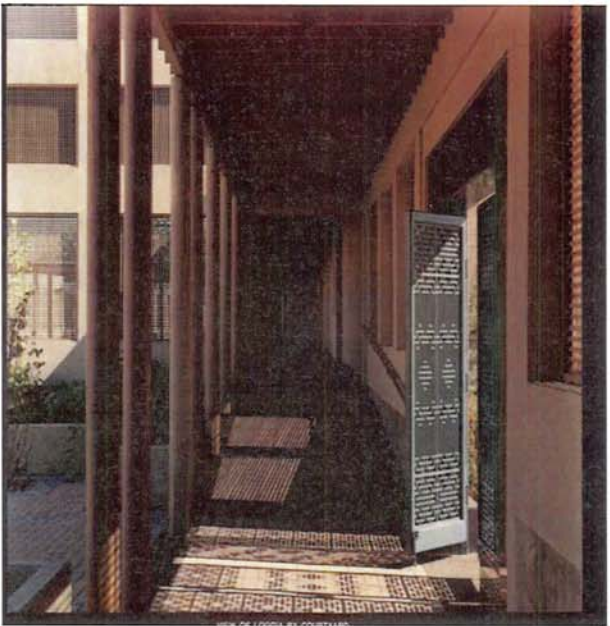
Burnaby Lake Jamatkhana & Ismaili Centre

Burnaby, British Columbia

Major conversion of an existing facility (Bus Terminal and maintenance yard) into a Jamatkhana including exterior façade, landscaping, parking and interiors.



Courtyard at Night



Hallway



Front Entrance

Architect: FNDA Architecture Inc.



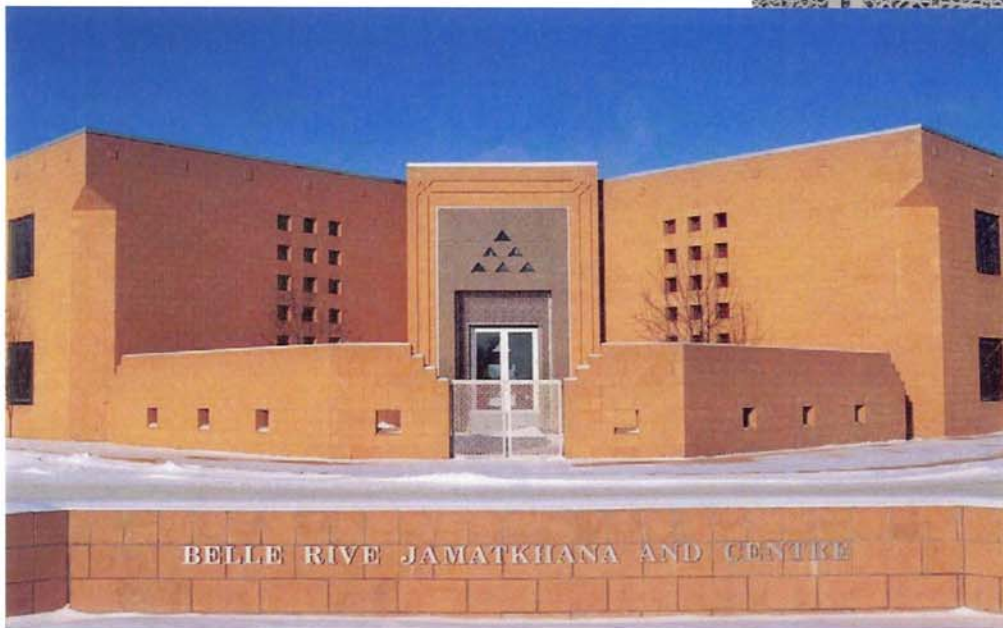


Edmonton Jamatkhana & Ismaili Centre

Edmonton, Alberta

To ensure that we were not transplanting a building directly from the Islamic world, we recognized both its climatic and regional setting to ensure that it was appropriately blended with the local Edmonton context, including use of local materials.

The result was a unique building designed for the local community and integrated into the neighborhood.



Architect: FNDA Architecture Inc.



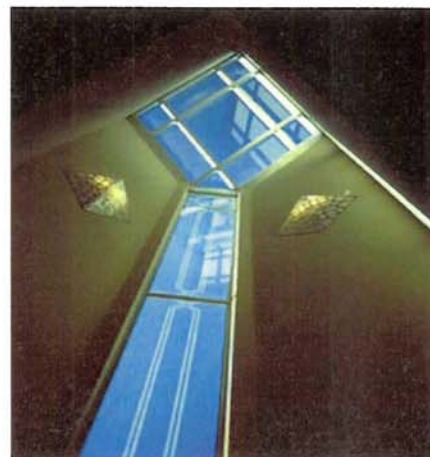


Calgary Jamatkhana & Ismaili Centre Calgary, Alberta

Special attention was paid to the context and relationship of the building with the street, the neighboring buildings and the palette of materials to ensure that it was truly a Calgarian building.



The design solution had to be sensitive to our tradition and respond to the visual impact the building will have on the area. The design attempts to create its own context and draw from the greater Calgary scene. Brick and glass were considered to be Calgary's principal building materials for important buildings.



Awards:

1998 - Award of Merit from the Calgary Alberta Masonry Contractors' Association

Architect: FNDA Architecture Inc.

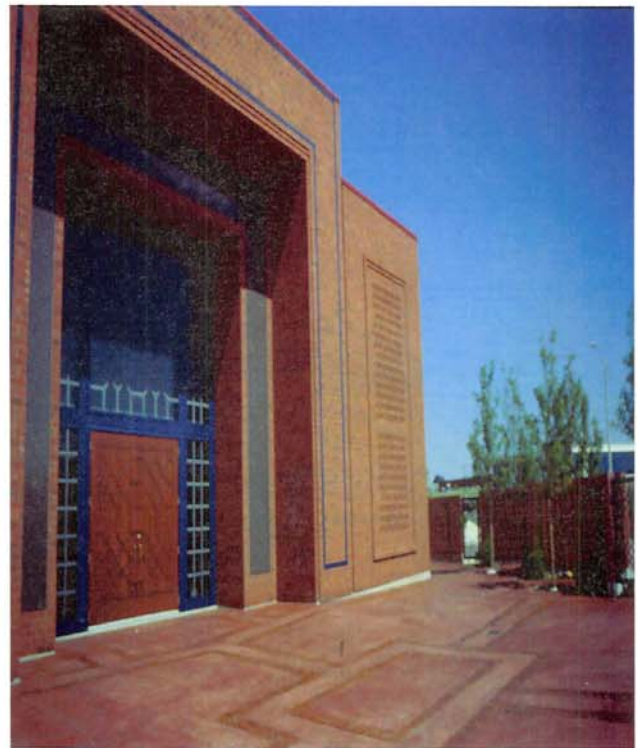




North Central Jamatkhana & Ismaili Centre

Markham, Ontario

Special consideration was given to all design aspects of a Jamatkhana, including prayer hall, social hall, classrooms, library, kitchen, recreation areas, parking, courtyard and landscaping to ensure effective assimilation into the community.



In Islamic design, the basic forms are balanced and ruled by geometry. There is a sense of stability, tranquillity, and equilibrium. There is a lack of domination and pride. The superiority of man-made structures over the natural environment is a concept inconsistent with Islamic belief.



Architect: FNDA Architecture Inc.



RICHMOND JAMATKHANA:

Proposed Assembly Use in West Cambie Area
City of Richmond Rezoning Application
File No. RZ 04-270168

- The Ismaili Muslim Community has lived and worked in Richmond for over 30 years and has met in the Jamatkhana located on Alderbridge Way.
- This is a leased facility, converted from a warehouse in an industrial area.
- We have applied to rezone 9560, 9580 Cambie Road and 9531, 9551, 9571 Odlin Road from Single-Family Housing District, Subdivision Area F (R1/F) to Assembly District (ASY) in order to build a Jamatkhana on this site.
- The Richmond Jamatkhana will be designed to enhance and complement the surrounding community.
- We will continue to work with the City of Richmond Planning and Development staff, to ensure this development fits into the West Cambie Area Plan - Alexandra Area.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Richmond Jamatkhana



Further information may be obtained from:
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THE ISMAILI MUSLIM COMMUNITY IN CANADA:

- The Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims, generally known as the Ismailis, first arrived in Canada in the mid 1 970s. There are approximately 80,000 Ismailis settled throughout Canada. His Highness Prince Karim Aga Khan is the 49th Imam (spiritual leader) of the Ismaili Muslims. He was awarded the Order of Canada in 2004 for his humanitarian work worldwide and was recently granted honorary citizenship of Canada by the House of Commons.
- Like all Muslims, the Ismailis believe in one God and affirm that Prophet Muhammed (peace be upon him) was the last in a line of prophets that includes Moses and Jesus.
- Ismaili Muslims represent a rich diversity of cultures, languages and nationalities.
- There are approximately 15 millions Ismailis world-wide, living in over 25 countries including: - Canada, the United States, the United Kingdom and other parts of Europe, Syria, Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, India, Pakistan, Iran, Afghanistan, China and Tajikistan.
- The Community has developed an ethos based on self-reliance, meritocracy, enterprise, volunteerism, pluralism, compassion and concern for the vulnerable in society. Wherever Ismailis live, we promote education, health, housing and economic development.

BUILDING STRONG COMMUNITIES:

- Approximately 15,000 Ismaili Muslims live and work in British Columbia and are active in the local community.
- The Community hosts the following annual events, which are examples of our ethics in action. These events are aimed at building strong communities, locally and globally.
The Ismaili Walk for a Better Community, founded in 1991 takes place in Vancouver each September and benefits a local non-profit organization.
- We have partnered with local community organizations to further their cause
- These include: local hospitals, the Vancouver Public Library, SFU, the Food Bank and the Crisis Centre of Greater Vancouver
- \$2.1M has been raised to date for local community organizations
- Our partner for 2009 is the BC Women's Hospital & Health Centre and this year's proceeds will benefit the Women's Health Research Institute.
The World Partnership Walk, now in its 25th year, is an annual fundraising event that takes place in Vancouver and nine other cities across Canada on the last Sunday in May
- This Walk is the largest event of its kind in support of international development
- It raises awareness and funds to assist those in need, without regard to race, religion, ethnicity or gender and makes a big difference in the lives of the poor.
- About \$30 million has been raised to date, and all funds have been matched by the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA).

JAMATKHANAS:

- A Jamatkhana is:
 - a place of prayer and congregation;
 - a place for learning and teaching the values and ethics (honesty, compassion, generosity, humility and universal brotherhood) of Islam;
 - a place for Community members to interact socially and engage in intellectual discourse; and
 - a place where volunteers within the Community meet to help provide services for the betterment of the Community and society at large.
- There are 65 Jamatkhana in Canada and 15 in British Columbia, including 7 in the Metro Mainland.
- Congregation times: 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. daily and occasional Sundays between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.
- The Ismaili Community has many years of experience building Jamatkhana in residential neighbourhoods and has won numerous awards for Architecture, lighting and landscaping design for a many of our facilities.
- We work with municipalities and residents to ensure safe traffic patterns and make provisions for adequate parking.
- The Ismaili Community has hosted events at its Jamatkhana including: GVRD Board Meetings, United Way Meetings, Health Fairs, All-Candidates Meetings, Duke of Edinburgh Award Ceremonies.
- "You have made your premises accessible to us for GVRD board meetings and the partnership we entered into initially as a functional need has resulted in a greater understanding on our part of your community, your philosophies and your activities. Thank you for sharing your place with us". J. Marvin Hunt, Chair, GVRD Board of Directors