

*The Center for
Arts and Humanities Presents:*

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Thursday, April 10 at 7:00 p.m.

University of Missouri Memorial Union

Joplin Boone Room

*“Banishing the Ghosts of Iran:
What Do People Read in the Islamic Republic?”*



From her 2007 book, *Jasmine and Stars: Reading More than Lolita in Tehran*. In a direct, frank, and intimate exploration of Iranian literature and society, scholar, teacher, and poet Dr. Fatemeh Keshavarz challenges popular perceptions of Iran as a society bereft of vitality and joy. Her fresh perspective on present-day Iran provides a rare insight into this rich culture alive with artistic expression but virtually unknown to most Americans.

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