

All Are Welcome!

Thursday - Sunday October 2 - 5, 2025

Unveiling & Celebrating
a New Icon of Creation:

The Transfiguration of Creation

The 4-day celebration at Point Loma Nazarene University in San Diego is free to attend and will feature:

- Lectures by renowned Orthodox Christian theologians and scholars, including the iconographer (artist) Aidan Hart
- Icon exhibit curated by icon collector Subdeacon Michael Roeder
- Blessing the new icon at nearby Saint Gregory of Nyssa Greek Orthodox Church in El Cajon
- Fine art prints of the new icon for sale

For more information and to RSVP, scan the QR code or visit the event website:

<https://sites.google.com/pointloma.edu/creationicon>



Πατριάρχης Κωνσταντινουπόλεως
καὶ ἑκουμενικῆς Πατριαρχίας
Ἰεροσολύμων, Ἄντιοχείας καὶ
Σύρου

MESSAGE

BY HIS ALL-HOLINESS

ECUMENICAL PATRIARCH BARTHOLOMEW

It is a particular joy to endorse and bless the composition of a specially commissioned icon for use in services, for the uplifting of prayer, and on occasions for raising awareness for the protection and preservation of God's unique gift of creation, as well as for presentation and exhibition at Point Loma Nazarene University.

There is no doubt that the specific images that we hold about our world and our planet ultimately determine and define the way that we treat and respect their ecological properties and natural resources. This work by iconographer Aidan Hart provides an alternative vision of the world in its theological and liturgical dimensions, while incorporating scientific and spiritual perspectives of creation.

It is our hope and prayer that this icon will offer a persuasive reminder and distinctive paradigm of the way we are called—indeed, created and mandated—to identify with and relate to creation.

At the Ecumenical Patriarchate, on the 23rd of July 2024

Prayerfully yours,

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and Ecumenical Patriarch