



**Cultural Conversations Presents:**

# *Feeling at Home*

**Wednesday, February 3, 7-9pm**

**Bellevue City Hall, City Council Chambers**

*Join with your family, friends and neighbors in an evening of heartfelt storytelling and small group table conversation about home, through the lens of diversity, culture and connection. Whether you are a newcomer or a long-time resident experiencing rapid change, there are common themes of promise and loss. For most, a sense of belonging as well as living in a welcoming and safe community are essential to feeling "at home".*

## **Storytellers:**

### **Lived Many Locations; This One is Home**

Jayant, an Indian-American consultant along with his wife, has lived in multicultural Hong Kong, Singapore, London and New York. He will share how he created a sense of home in places where he didn't know anyone, and the ingredient that allowed him to feel at home here in Bellevue.

### **A Place of Safety and Opportunity**

Miguel, a striving professional with a wife and a young family left their home in Guadalajara, Mexico seeking refuge from crime and violence. His story is one of personal and professional sacrifice, starting life in a new place, becoming a U.S. citizen and embracing the opportunity to live a life tied to his values.

### **Youth Navigating Culture, Growth and Belonging**

Nishi, Rosalie and Jessica, are Bellevue high school students excelling in academics and extra-curricular activities. At school and home, these young women navigate a culturally diverse environment, learn from the opportunities and challenges it presents and juggle the tradeoffs between personal growth and familial expectations around tradition and culture.

*This event, free and open to the public is recommended for individuals, age 14 and up of all abilities, cultures and faiths. Visitor parking is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information and accommodation needs please contact Carol Ross at 425-452-7917, [cross@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:cross@bellevuewa.gov) or [NeighborhoodOutreach@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:NeighborhoodOutreach@bellevuewa.gov), 425-452-6836.*

