



## Dr. Shirin Ebadi

Nobel Peace Prize Winner 2003, Iranian Lawyer & Human Rights Activist



### CSA CELEBRITY SPEAKERS

Shirin Ebadi was the first Iranian and first Muslim woman to win the Nobel Peace Prize. Her influence extends far beyond the borders of her country, inspiring hope that Islam, democracy and all human rights can co-exist despite the challenges faced in these turbulent times. Defying government obstacles, she also created and is the leader of one of the first independent, non-governmental human rights organizations in Iran: The Society for the Protection of the Rights of the Child.

**"Shirin Ebadi received the 2003 Nobel Peace Prize in Oslo for her democracy-building efforts and her work to improve human rights in Iran**

#### In detail

As a woman in Iran, Shirin Ebadi's life has paralleled the dramatic changes within her country, and her call for dissent and support for human rights has rung clear during the political and religious upheaval in the Middle East. Making history as the first woman judge in Iran, Ebadi was stripped of her basic rights by the religious revolutionaries, whom she once supported, who declared women unfit to serve as judges. She fought her way back as a human rights lawyer, defending women and children in controversial, politically charged cases. She has been arrested and been the target of assassination, but through it all, has spoken out with quiet bravery on behalf of victims of injustice and discrimination.

#### What she offers you

Shirin Ebadi is a formidable and courageous speaker, who received the Legion d'honneur degree from French president Jacques Chirac in 2006. Having received more than 20 honorary doctorate degrees from different countries in USA, Canada, Turkey and Australia, she provides her respected unique perspective on issues including philosophy, religion & spirituality, ethics, religion, society, motivation and inspiration, development policy and law.

#### How she presents

Independent, outspoken, and incredibly intelligent, Shirin Ebadi is a towering figure with a commanding voice that will not be silenced. She courageously champions democracy and basic human rights for women, children and all individuals.

#### Languages

She presents in English.

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#### How to book her?

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