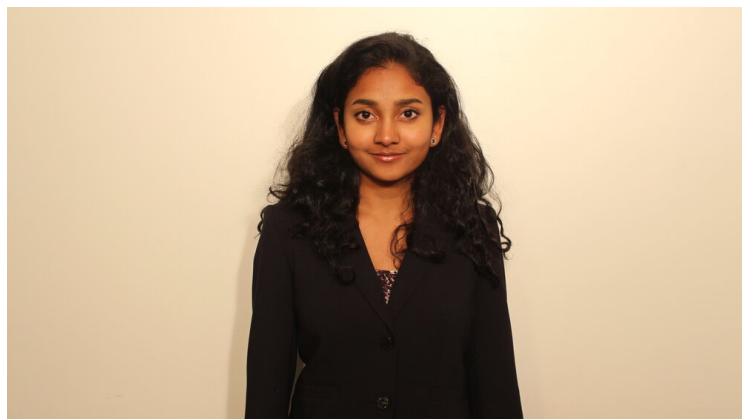




LAST OF THE NASRIDS: KINGDOM OF GRANADA 1410

The City of Granada has throughout its history been a cultural, economic, and political capital of the Islamic rulers of the Iberian Peninsula. First arriving in 711, less than 100 years after the birth of Islam, Tariq the Conquerer landed with his Muslim Berber Army and conquered nearly the entire peninsula in 9 years. The land he conquered would come to be seen as an essential part of the Islamic world, the home of a Caliphate, and too many kingdoms to count. Throughout this turmoil, the City of Granada, a bastion of hope, peace, and art stood strong. However, the empire that Tariq conquered is no more. All that remains of Muslim Iberia is Granada and her territories. The Kingdoms of Castille, Leon, Aragon, Catalonia, Navarra, Portugal scratch at the door encroaching year by year on your territory. Bereft of territories and politically distant from possible allies, the Nasrid Dynasty, established in 1238 after the fall of the Almohad Dynasty, seemed to be on its last legs and would finally fall to invasion on 1 January 1492. However, today we will be turning back the clock to 1400, when the fate of Islamic Spain, while tenuous, was still yet to be determined. It is our hope that the committee will work to restore the wealth, glory, and culture of the Islamic Golden age and that Granada will remain a beacon for progress and diversity.



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