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**29 NOV INTERNATIONAL DAY OF SOLIDARITY WITH
THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE**

ISRAELI PRESIDENT STORMS AL- IBRAHIMI MOSQUE

On November 28, the Israeli president Isaac Herzog stormed the Ibrahimi Mosque in the occupied West Bank city of Hebron, in a move of clear declaration of his sponsorship of the Jewish settlers' plans.

Israeli forces closed the mosque gates, and prevented Palestinian residents from praying or standing nearby, they further forced the shop owners to close their shops, hindered the work of the press crews, and assaulted a number of them in an attempt to prevent them from covering the intrusion.

The Israeli president lit the first candle of the Jewish Hanukkah holiday at the Ibrahimi Mosque accompanied by settler leaders.

UN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS: SITUATION IN PALESTINE IS DISASTROUS

On December 7, the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, Michelle Bachelet, said during a meeting organized by the United Nations Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People:

"Overall, the present human rights situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territory can fairly be characterized as disastrous, with severe infringements on the rights of over 4 million people."

"Only an end to the occupation can bring about lasting peace and establish the conditions in which the human rights of all can be fully respected," Bachelet added.

PLANS TO BUILD 9,000 SETTLEMENT UNITS

On November 24, Israel's Jerusalem Municipality advanced plans to build 9,000 settlement units on the site of the Kalandiya Airport in the occupied Palestinian West Bank.

The proposal is now set to be considered by the District Committee for Planning and Building, under the auspices of the Finance Ministry.

The project will transform the 124-hectare airport site, which operated from 1924 to 2000, into a new settlement, with parks, hotels, public buildings, commercial areas and housing.

A delegation of European Union officials visited the site. The EU Representative to Palestine, Sven Kuhn von Burgsdorff, said that the plan jeopardized a potential two-state resolution to the conflict and helped sever Jerusalem from the West Bank.

PALESTINE & COVID-19

CURRENT STATUS

There have been so far over 432,921 confirmed cases of COVID, 424,754 recovery cases and 4,558 deaths.

New COVID-19 infections appear to be slowing down across the oPt particularly in the West Bank, while over three quarters of all active cases remaining in Gaza.

The overall Case Fatality Rate (CFR) across oPt remains at 1%.

PSYCHOLOGY SPA

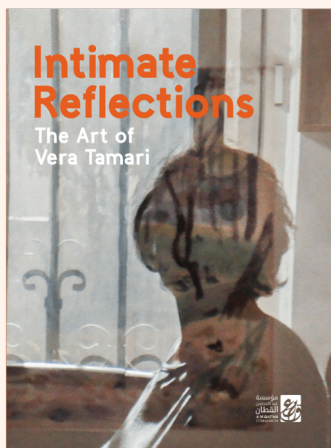
MEET ONE OF THE SPECIALIZED AND UNIQUE NGO IN PALESTINE



Psychology Spa is the first specialized non-profit organization in Psychological education in Palestine that started since 2016. Psychology spa is a place where groups meet to learn, discuss, share, and seek ways to gain psychological knowledge. It provides people with the required skills to help themselves with a better understanding of their psychological status and thus enhance their quality of life.

A BOOK TO READ

INTIMATE REFLECTIONS: THE ART OF VERA TAMARI



Edited by: Penny Johnson and Anita Vitullo

This book presents the art of Vera Tamari and her impact on arts in Palestine. Tamari is recognized as one of the West Bank's leading artists. She has had solo exhibitions in Ramallah and Jerusalem, and took part in international group exhibitions such as Forces of Change: Artists of the Arab World, which was shown at The National Museum of Women in the Arts, Washington, DC, in 1994; New Visions: Art from the Occupied Territories, shown in Amman, Jordan, Salerno, Italy, and both Bonn and Frankfurt, Germany in 1989 and 1990; Tallat: Palestinian Women's Art Exhibition, in Jerusalem in 1986; the Third World Artists Exhibition in London in 1981; and Women Arab Artists, which was shown in Baghdad, Iraq in 1980. More recently, her work was featured in the Made in Palestine exhibition that toured the United States in 2006.

Tamari primarily works with clay, including bas-reliefs, sculptural installations, and what she calls sculpted paintings. In 1975 she became the first artist to establish a ceramics studio in the West Bank.

PALESTINE AND HUNGARY



EVENTS & MEETINGS

- Palestine and Hungary signed a new academic and scholarships MOU.
- Minister Mazen Ghoneim, Head of Palestinian Water Authority, Participated in PLANET conference, and held several bilateral talks.
- Acting Head of Mission Dr. Fadi Elhusseini met with H.E. Mr. Abdulla Al Dosari the new ambassador of the State of Qatar
- Met with Revd. Dr Vilmos Fischl, General Secretary of the Hungarian Council of Churches.
- Met with Mr. Ferenc Miklóssy, President of the Hungarian Arab Chamber of Commerce.
- Met with Mr. Tüske László, former director general of the Széchenyi Library.
- Embassy of Palestine issued a statement on the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF SOLIDARITY WITH THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE



In 1977, the General Assembly called for the annual observance of 29 November as the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People (resolution 32/40 B). In resolution 60/37 of 1 December 2005, the Assembly requested the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People and the Division for Palestinian Rights, as part of the observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People on 29 November, to continue to organize an annual exhibit on Palestinian rights or a cultural event in cooperation with the Permanent Observer Mission of Palestine to the UN.

PICTURE OF THE MONTH



LIGHTNING BETHLEHEM CHRISTMAS TREE

A special occasion in the world, but especially in Bethlehem where Jesus was born. Bethlehem city has celebrated the Christmas tree lighting in the Nativity Square with only a huge crowd in the Nativity square. The event gathered hundreds of people who came to Bethlehem from all over the West Bank. Travel restrictions had prevented several foreign delegations from attending. The giant tree, topped with a bright red star, was lit up with hundreds of coloured lights as red, white and green fireworks illuminated the night sky.



EVENTS

CHRISTMAS MARKET

On December 2, the opening of the 21st Annual Christmas Market took place, which offered a variety of local and international Christmas foods, products, and artworks, and includes many Christmas music performances and children's activities organized by Bethlehem Municipality as part of the Christmas festivities 2021-2022.



CONCERTS

On November 26, Filasteen Young Musicians Orchestra performed, following an educational music workshop with Aida refugee camp kids, in its second tour of Palestine in 2021, which was organized by Barenboim-Said Center for Music and Alrowwad Cultural and Arts Society.

Filasteen Young Musicians Orchestra held its performance, following a music workshop with Deir Ghassaneh village kids, in its second tour of Palestine in 2021 which was organized by Barenboim-Said Center for Music.

CULTURAL HERITAGE

REHABILITATION OF DAR AL-CONSUL – FROM ANCIENT RUINS TO MODERN PALESTINIAN CENTRES



The Rehabilitation of Dar Al Consul into a Residential and Civic Complex, which started in 2014, wrapped up its activities.

Dar Al Consul served for three decades as a Prussian consulate and residence for the Consul. Henceforth, the building was named Dar Al-Consul, the House of the [Prussian] Consul, a name that has been retained in oral tradition until today.

The project provided an opportunity to 40 undergraduate and graduate students gain on-the-job-training and capacity development experience by engaging in the rehabilitation works and operational components of the project.

On the cultural side, the project included the excavation and preservation of archeological treasures. Five main findings are now on display on the site, giving life to ruins such as cisterns, mosaic floors, private bath and water channels from the Roman, Byzantine, Late Islamic, and Mamluk times.



SPORTS

PALESTINE SHOOTING FEDERATION ASSOCIATE MEMBER OF THE ISSF

The meeting of the International Shooting Sport Federation ISSF was held in Wroclaw, Poland. The Executive Committee members approved the structure of the shooting Federation and approving Palestine as the associated member of the ISSF.



MOVIES

NETFLIX LAUNCHES A NEW COLLECTION OF PALESTINIAN MOVIES

- A collection of 32 Palestinian films began streaming on Netflix, including movies by award-winning directors like Annemarie Jacir, Basil Khalil, and Elia Suleiman. Films included:
- The Present, Eyes of a Thief, Born In Gaza, A Drowning Man, Frontiers of Dreams and Fears, A Man Returned, When I Saw You, Children of Shatila, Paradise Now, Chronicle of a Disappearance, Maradona's Legs, 3000 Nights, In Vitro, Bonbone, Three Logical Exists and Ghost Hunting.



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