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Occupation in Numbers

- 6 Palestinians killed
- 263 Palestinians injured
- 607 detained
- 218 search and arrest operations
- 7 Palestinian civil society organizations raided and closed
- 55 Palestinian structures in Jerusalem and Area C demolished (61 people, including 31 children, were displaced, and the livelihoods of about 200 others were affected)
- 250 Palestinian-owned trees were uprooted or vandalized
- 1 school in Ramallah threatened to be closed
- 400 Palestinian prisoners isolated for 11 days
- 100 olive trees uprooted in Hebron

ISRAEL TARGETS RIGHTS DEFENDERS

The acting UN Human Rights Chief, on Monday, said she is "alarmed" by the targeting of rights defenders in the occupied Palestinian territory.

Nada Al-Nashif opened the 51st session of the UN Human Rights Council, which runs from 12 September to 7 October. She said: "I am alarmed by the targeting of human rights defenders in the occupied Palestinian territory, including the apparently arbitrary closure orders of seven Palestinian human rights and humanitarian organisations in Ramallah on 18 August." Al-Nashif said those rights defenders had faced threats of arrest for doing their work.

"The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) "remains concerned that Israel has not renewed the visas for OHCHR international staff in Palestine office, further restricting human rights engagement in the occupied Palestinian territory," said the UN official.

ISRAEL USE MEDICAL NEGLIGENCE TO KILL PRISONERS

The Palestinian Prisoners' Club issued a report showing that Israel has adopted a policy of medical negligence against Palestinian prisoners and this has led to "slow killing" in Israeli prisons. The report shows that "73 prisoners have been martyred in the occupation's prisons as a result of the policy of medical neglect (slow killing), since 1967."

Currently, "about 600 sick prisoners in the occupation's jails who have been diagnosed with illnesses in the past few years are facing difficult health conditions, including about 200 who suffer from chronic diseases and could die at any moment... the prison administration relies on delaying the transfer of sick prisoners to hospitals for medical examinations, and this delay policy is the main tool it uses to kill sick prisoners."

PALESTINE & COVID-19

CURRENT STATUS

There have been so far over 620,371 confirmed cases of COVID, 606,702 recovery cases and 5,691 deaths.

MEET SAMIH ELQASEM

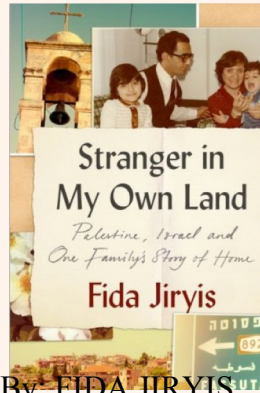


August 19, marks the eighth anniversary of the death of Samih al-Qasim, one of the most famous contemporary Palestinian poets, whose name is associated with the poetry of revolution and resistance.

Samih al-Qasim was born to a family in the town of Zarqa in Jordan. His father, Muhammad al-Qasim al-Hussein, was from the village of al-Rama in the Upper Galilee.

Following his first collection of poetry, *Pageants of the Sun*, he published over the course of his career more than seventy books, including poetry collections, prose works, and plays, and his works have been translated into more than ten languages. He won many prizes and medals, including the prize at the Grenada International Festival "Poesía en el Laurel"; the prize for the best translation into French in 1988 for selections from his poems by the Moroccan writer and poet Abdellatif Laâbi; the prize for poetic creativity awarded by the Kuwaiti Al-Babtain Foundation; the Jerusalem Medal for Culture, Arts and Literature awarded by the late Palestinian president Yasir Arafat; the Naguib Mahfouz Prize for an Arab author awarded by the Egyptian Writers' Union; and the Palestine Prize for Poetry awarded by the Palestinian Ministry of Culture.

STRANGER IN MY OWN LAND: PALESTINE, ISRAEL AND ONE FAMILY'S STORY OF HOME



By: FIDA JIRYIS

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Among the extensive literature on Palestine and Israel, "Stranger in My Own Land: Palestine, Israel and One Family's Story of Home" by Fida Jiryis provides a rare, and rarely accessible, perspective. The author was born to Palestinian parents from Fassouta, a Christian village in Upper Galilee, on the Israeli side of the Lebanese border. As a child, Jiryis lived through the horrors of the 1982 Lebanon war and then moved with her family to Cyprus. She is one of a handful of Palestinians who tried to exercise their right to return, only to find that home was no longer home. She ended up studying in Scotland, living in Canada, and ultimately returning to Palestine: to Ramallah in the occupied West Bank.

Her book guides us through her journey. First, though, she provides crucial context including an account of her family's trials and traumas in the aftermath of the creation of Israel by force in 1948 and their decision to stay on in Palestine rather than flee. Their story is the story of the Palestinian people.

PALESTINE AND HUNGARY



EVENTS & MEETINGS

- Ambassador Dr. Fadi Elhuseini received H.E. Ambassador Siddig M Abdalla Ambassador of Sudan to Hungary
- Received the Islamic scholar, founder of the Islamic community in Sheikh Mihálffy Balázs (Abd al-Rahman)
- Met with H.E. Ambassador Abdullah bin Falah bin Abdullah Al-Dosari, the Ambassador of the State of Qatar
- Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Ramallah and Al-Bireh Governorate discusses cooperation with Budapest Chamber of Commerce
- Visited to the art complex of the artist Bahgat Iskandar
- Participated in the celebrations of the Hungarian state foundation day

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PICTURE OF THE MONTH

HUNGARIAN JOURNALISTS DELEGATION TO PALESTINE

The Hungarian Journalists delegation concluded their trip to Palestine. They held several meetings with high officials including the Prime Minister Dr. Muhammad Shtayyeh, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates, Dr. Riyad Al-Maliki, and governors and in Nablus, Jenin, Hebron, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, and Beit_Jala. They also met with the Higher Committee of the Union of Churches, the Palestinian Radio and Television Corporation, the chambers of commerce, the Hebron Reconstruction Committee, in addition to human rights organizations, the Journalists Syndicate, and the Negotiations Support Unit. They also had the chance to meet the Governor of Jerusalem in his house confinement (house arrest according to the procedures of the Israeli occupation forces), and they toured many cities, and visited Al-Aqsa Mosque, the Church of the Resurrection, the Nativity Church. Field tours also included refugee camps, Sheikh Jarrah, and Silwan neighborhood in occupied Jerusalem



SPORTS**THE NATIONAL JIU-JITSU TEAM WINS TWO BRONZES IN UAE INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

The national jiu-jitsu team won two bronze medals in the Emirates International Championship, ranked "Gr", which included elite players from several countries around the world.

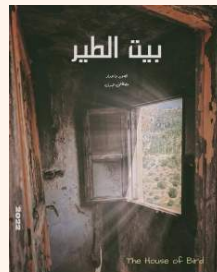
The participating national team included three players: Muhammad Odeh Allah, Izz Al-Din Odallah, and Waseem Atta.

**PALESTINE WINS 13 MEDALS IN THE "MUAY THAI"**

Palestine wins 13 medals in the world and club championships for the game "Muay Thai" in Malaysia. 15 players participated from different age groups participated in this mission.

**ARTS****THE PALESTINIAN DOCUMENTARY "THE HOUSE OF BIRD" AMONG THE TOP 5 DOCUMENTARIES ON WORLD HERITAGE SITES**

- The documentary film "The House of Bird" won the competition of the "Team of the Arab Regional Center for World Heritage" among the top 5 documentaries on World Heritage sites, in which 127 participants from 16 Arab countries participated.
- The film talks about the town of Battir, west of Bethlehem, and was filmed and prepared by the son of the photographer, Mustafa Al-Badan.

**TECHNOLOGY****3 PALESTINIAN STUDENTS CREATE THE FIRST BLOOD DONATION APPLICATION "GIVE LIFE"**

3 Palestinian students created the first blood donation application. The application forms a link between hospitals, blood banks and donors, to save the lives of the injured and those who need blood. The application links between theory and practice and is relevant to the local context affected by the Israeli occupation that limits mobility.

**FESTIVALS****TAYBEH OKTOBERFEST**

The Taybeh Oktoberfest started in 2005 by the Taybeh Brewing Company. Nadim, working with his brother David, mayor of Taybeh at the time, inspired the village and the local civic organizations to collaborate in making this event a success. The event boosted the local economy of Taybeh and placed Taybeh on the international map. The Taybeh Oktoberfest has been called the highlight of Palestine receiving over 16,000 visitors from all over the world every year.

**FINANCE****THE PMA RECEIVES INTERNATIONAL AWARD**

- The Palestinian Monetary Authority received an international award for the best initiatives and programs to enhance financial awareness among young people, entitled (The Global Youth Financial Award 2022), issued by the Global Alliance for Financial Inclusion (AFI).



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