

THE PALESTINIAN ORAL HISTORY ARCHIVE

CONFERENCE PROGRAM | JUNE 12-13, 2019

Issam Fares Institute Auditorium, AUB

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, 2019

10:00–10:30 am Registration

10:30 am–12:15 pm Opening Session

Opening remarks

Fadlo R. Khuri, AUB President

Tarek Mitri, Director of the Issam Fares Institute for Public Policy and International Affairs (IFI), AUB

Lokman I. Meho, University Librarian and Associate Professor of Political Studies, AUB

Keynotes and Honorees

Diana Allan

Rosemary Sayigh

Bayan Nuwayhed Al-Hout

Faiha Abdulhadi

12:15–1:30 pm Lunch

1:30–3:30 pm Introducing the Palestinian Oral History Archive

Nakba Archive; Mahmoud Zeidan and Diana Allan

Al-Jana; Moataz Dajani

POHA Project; Kaoukab Chebaro and Hana Sleiman

Project Demo and Video; Sara Sweidan, Hana Haidar, Nourhan Shehab

3:30–3:45 pm Coffee Break

3:45–5:30 pm The Future of Oral History

Chair: Rayan El-Amine, Assistant Director, IFI

Using Virtual Reality Documentaries to Preserve and Exhibit Jerusalem Old City; Sohail Dahdal

Building an Interactive Map of Palestinian Oral Histories; Ahmad Barclay

The MASRAD: Platform for Archiving Oral History; Majd Al-Shihabi

THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 2019

9:00–11:00 am Nakba Memory

Chair: Anaheed Al-Hardan, Assistant Professor of Sociology, FAS-AUB

The Insider/Outsider Paradox of Collecting Oral History Narratives and Interviews; May Seikaly

Nakba Narratives & Critical Ethnography: Ontological and Epistemological Questions; Ahlam Muhtaseb

Intergenerational and Transregional Synergies in Palestinian Oral History; Malaka Shwaikh

A Living Archive? Reflections on an Oral History Project with Palestinian Bedouin Women in the Naqab; Sophie Richter-Devroe

11:00–11:10 am Coffee Break

11:10 am–12:30 pm Oral History, Pedagogy, and Culture

Chair: Rami Khouri, Senior Public Policy Fellow, IFI Adjunct Professor of Journalism, AUB

Oral Histories of Resistance Culture as an Anti-Colonial Archive; Chandni Desai

Decolonizing Ethnography through Oral History: A Self-Study of Al Naqab Center; Nadia Younes

POHA in the Classroom: An Oral History Toolkit; Maria Bashshur Abunnasr

12:30–2:00 pm Lunch

2:00–3:30 pm Women's Histories

Chair: Huda Zurayk, Professor Emeritus, FHS-AUB

The Crisis of Presence : Oral History, Palestinian Women and the Remaking of the World; Cynthia Kreichati

Generational Narratives of Displacement of Palestinian Women from Syria; Isis Nusair

Storytelling and Reimagining Feminist Movements in Lebanon; Deema Kaedbey

3:30–3:45 pm Coffee Break

3:45–5:30 pm Oral History and Urbanity

Chair: Ismail Sheikh Hassan, Urbanist and Researcher

War-Memoryscapes and the Grassroots Agency for Justice: Re-researching the Truth Memory Practices of Palestinians in Nahr-el Bared; Azadeh Sobout

Oral Histories: Practices of Refuge and the Making of Quarantina; Diala Lteif

The Evidential Power of Personal Testimony: The Role of Nakba Oral Narratives in Asserting Palestinians' Right to their Land, Illustrated by a Specific Challenge Mounted to the JNF's Appropriation of the Land of Ajjur Village; Kholoud Al-Ajarma

"No Mines, No Borders": Towards an Oral History of South Lebanese Border Communities; Susann Kassem

5:30 pm Closing Remarks