

THE VIDEO QUILT PROJECT

stitching together voices for palestine

"I am a supporter of human rights and I want to see the Palestinian refugees return home"; "I am from Tabaria. Its my right! I want to go home."; "I am not Palestinian, but 60 years is too long. Palestinian refugees should be allowed to return home"; "My home is in Haifa and I want to return"; "I am a Palestinian. We still hold the key and deed to our home in Lyd. WE WILL return!"

Voices from around the world have over and over supported the right of Palestinian refugees to return home. On the 60th anniversay of Al Nakba, it is time to collect those voices.



make your voice heard!

For nearly 60 years the Palestinian refugees' right to return to their land and homes of origin has been under attack from various forces that wish to rewrite the past and dictate the present and future of Palestine and its people. Despite these attacks, for nearly 60 years Palestinians and their supporters around the world have remained steadfast in not just supporting this right, but demanding and asserting that it is a right that must be implemented if justice and real peace are to be achieved. These voices unfortunately have all too often been deliberately muffled and fragmented ... It's time to collect these voices -- literally.

On the 60th year of the Nakba we will collectively create a Video Quilt demonstrating that among Palestinian refugees and their many supporters there remains a strong united voice for the Right to Return. This Video Quilt will stitch together the voices of refugees and supporters around the world and will be premiered at the 6th Annual Al-Awda Convention on the 60th year of Al-Nakba. It will be shown online and at various exhibits and venues afterwards. Al-Awda's 6/60 Convention will be held May 16-18, 2008 in Anaheim, California.

In order to create this Video Quilt we need your help. We are looking for video submissions from around the world with SHORT MESSAGES supporting the right to return:

- * Refugees (individuals and groups) affirming they have the right to return or that they WILL return
- * Activists from around the world (every continent) supporting the right to return
- * Famous personalities supporting the right to return
- * Messages from every Al-Awda chapter, and every supporting organization
- * Messages from student groups

All messages must be brief-- they should be just one or two short sentences, and these will be "stitched" together and edited to make a short exhibition video on the international support for the right of return. Videos should be submitted by March 31st, 2008 in mini-DV, DVD, or VHS format. (for more tips and info visit: http://al-awda.org/alert-video_quilt2.html

Please send your video submissions to: Al-Awda PRRC PO Box 131352 Carlsbad CA 92013, USA

For those who would like to send their video messages online please send us an email to media@al-awda.org, and we will send you instructions on how to transfer your video in Quicktime format.

Credit will be given to all those who helped film, edit etc.

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