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# THE SHADOW YEARS: Material Histories of Everyday Life

friday, march 9, 2018  
to saturday, march 10, 2018  
mckinney conference room,  
watson institute

BY INVITATION AND REGISTRATION. CLOSED WORKSHOP.

# FRIDAY, MARCH 9

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

registration and continental breakfast  
*(McKinney Conference Room)*

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

welcoming remarks  
Beshara Doumani

9:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

panel 1: subjectivities and everyday material life

Toufoul Abou-Hodeib respondent

Mezna Qato  
*“Schooling Stories across a New Terrain”*

Nasser Abourahme  
*“Nothing to Lose but Our Tents: The Camp, Revolution, and the Stubborn Insistence of Everyday Material Life”*

Dima Saad  
*“Materializing Palestinian Memory: Objects of Home and Everyday Eternities of Exile ”*

11:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

coffee break

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

panel 2: the social lives of things

Beshara Doumani respondent

Basma Fahoum  
*“Tobacco Cultivation in Palestine: Peasant Households, Zionist Farmers, and the Global Market”*

Nimrod Ben Zeev  
*“The Many Lives of Cement: Construction, Economy, and Emotions in Mandate Palestine”*

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

lunch  
*(Kim Koo Library, Watson Institute)*

2:45 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

panel 3: negotiating the built environment

Ilana Feldman respondent

Dotan Halevy  
*“Mandatory Gaza Recovered: Towards a Palestinian History of Ruins”*

Faedah M. Totah  
*“Finding Refuge in the Courtyard House: Palestinians in the Old City of Damascus”*

Silvia Pasquetti  
*“Negotiating Stigma among Ruins: Histories of Displacement and Control from Lydda to West Bank Refugee Camps (and Back)”*

4:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

coffee break

# FRIDAY, MARCH 9 (CONT'D)

4:45 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

thematic discussion: archiving the shadow years  
led by Ilan Pappé

7:15 p.m. – 9:15 p.m.

dinner for presenters, respondents, and invited guests  
*(l'Apogee, Biltmore Hotel)*

# SATURDAY, MARCH 10

8:45 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.

continental breakfast  
*(McKinney Conference Room)*

9:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

panel 4: violence and loss

Salim Tamari respondent

Charles Anderson  
*“The Suppression of the Great Revolt and the Destruction of Everyday Life in Palestine”*

Frances S. Hasso  
*“Documenting the Non-Archival Reproductive Subject: Intimate Palestinian Life during the British Mandate*

Adel Manna  
*“Resistance and Survival in the Center of the Galilee (July 1948–January 1949)”*

11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

coffee break

11:15 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

panel 5: infrastructure, technology, and space

Gary Fields respondent

Omar Imseeh Tesdell  
*“Territoriality and the Technics of Drylands in Palestine”*

Fredrik Meiton  
*“The Non-Electrification of Nablus”*

Muna Dajani  
*“Sahl al-Battuf: A Site of Protest and Contestation against the National Water Carrier (1954–1964)”*

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

working lunch for workshop participants  
*(McKinney Conference Room)*

end of formal program