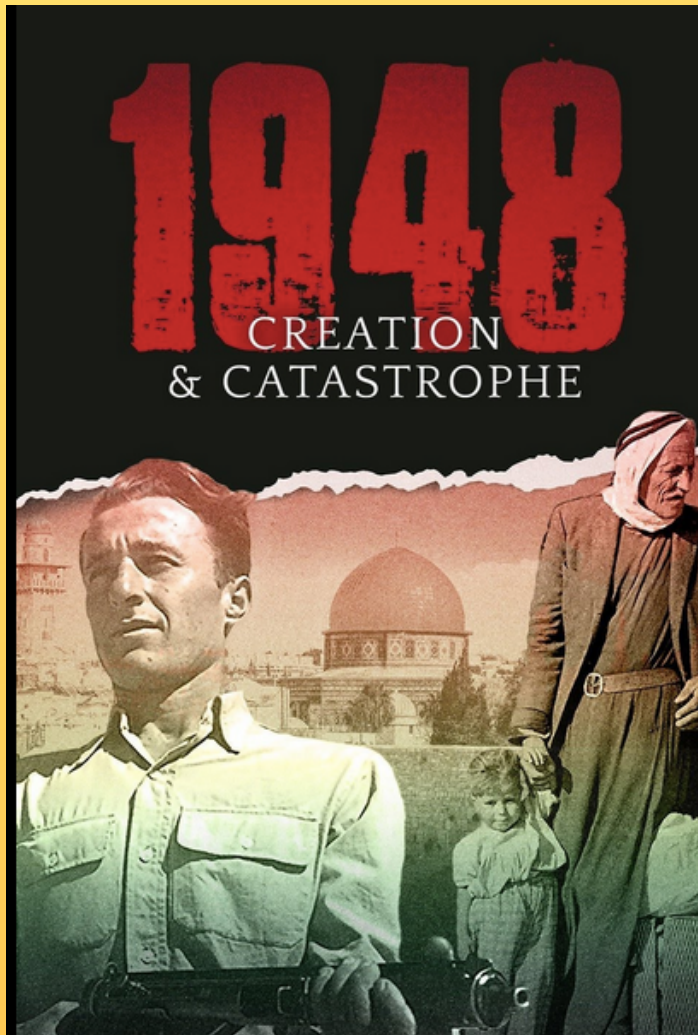


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1948: Creation and Catastrophe (85 mins) is the story of the establishment of Israel as seen through the eyes of the people who lived it. Rather than being a history lesson, this documentary is a primer for the present. It is simply not possible to make sense of what is happening in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict today without an understanding of 1948. Through riveting and moving personal recollections of both Palestinians and Israelis, 1948: Creation and Catastrophe reveals the shocking events of the most pivotal year in the most controversial conflict in the world.

The film is available free on Tubi. It is also available to rent on Amazon Prime.

Discussion Guide available [HERE](#)

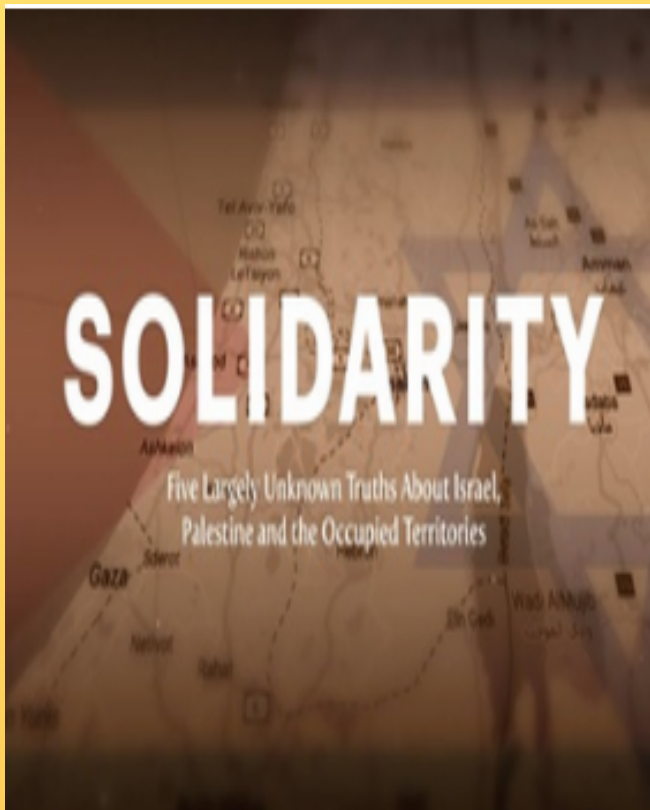
Occupation 101: Voices of the Silent Majority (88 mins) presents a comprehensive analysis of the facts and hidden truths surrounding the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and dispels many of its long-perceived myths and misconceptions.. Unlike any other film produced on the conflict, 'Occupation 101' explains the complicated reality with precision storytelling through a series of highly stylized visual edits, and gives audiences a complete context with which to better understand the Israeli-Palestinian debate. The roots of the conflict are explained with thought-provoking commentaries from leading Middle East scholars, peace activists, journalists, religious leaders and humanitarian workers whose voices have too often been suppressed in American media outlets.

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Solidarity: Five Largely Unknown Truths about Israel, Palestine and the Occupied Territories: (70 mins)

As the film's title indicates, it is divided into five themes: the expulsion of Palestinians during the Nakba, when 800,000 Palestinians were forced from their homeland in 1947-1948; Israel's disproportionate violence against Palestinians; Israel's continued expansion of illegal settlement colonies; the US' financial support of Israel; and what's behind the smear campaigns to label criticism of Israel's policies as anti-Semitism.

Lectures and remarks by iconic scholars Edward Said, Noam Chomsky and Angela Davis are also featured.

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The Holy Land Five - Al Jazeera World Two-Part Series (45 minutes each)

Soon after the September 11, 2001 attacks, the largest Muslim charity in the United States - the Holy Land Foundation - was shut down, its assets frozen and five of its senior staff arrested by the FBI. The five foundation founders were charged with providing "material support" to Hamas.

The Holy Land Five is a two-part documentary looking at the controversial trial of the Holy Land Foundation leaders. The films use interviews with defense and prosecution lawyers, family members, phone calls with the men themselves in jail – and reconstruction of court proceedings, to examine the case against the five men.

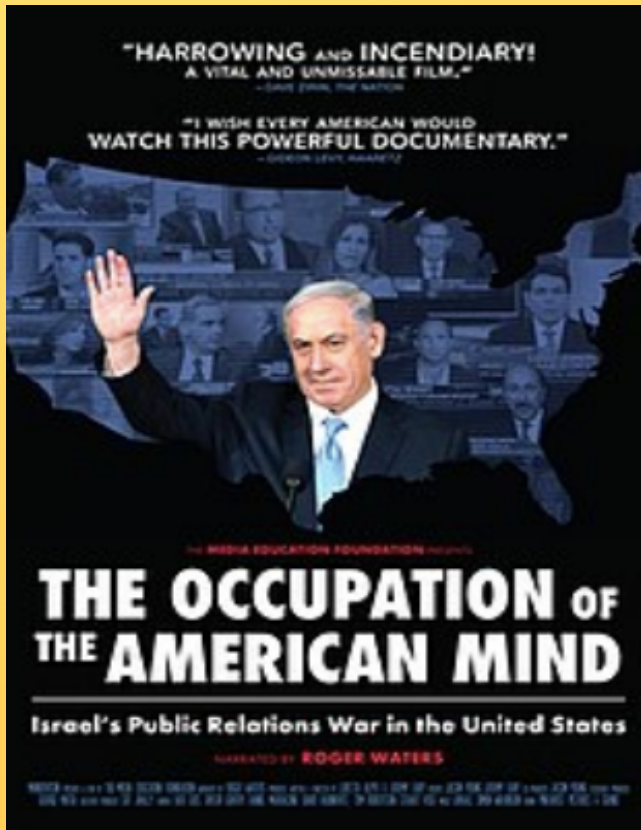
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The Occupation of the American Mind

Narrated by Roger Waters and featuring leading observers of the Israeli–Palestinian conflict, the film explores how the Israeli government, the U.S. government, and the pro-Israel lobby have joined forces, often with very different motives, to shape American media coverage of the conflict in Israel's favor. The Occupation of the American Mind provides a wide-ranging analysis of Israel's decades-long battle for the hearts, minds, and tax dollars of the American people — a battle that has only intensified over the past few years in the face of widening international condemnation of Israel's increasingly right-wing policies.

Available free [HERE](#) in three versions; 21 min, 45 min and full length 85 min. Discussion Guide available [HERE](#)

5 Broken Cameras (94 mins) is first-ever Palestinian film to be nominated for a best Documentary Feature Academy Award, this film is a deeply personal, first-hand account of life and nonviolent resistance in Bil'in, a West Bank. Shot by Palestinian farmer Emad Burnat, who bought his first camera in 2005 to record the birth of his youngest son, Gibreel. Structured in chapters around the destruction of each one of Burnat's cameras, the filmmakers' collaboration follows one family's evolution over five years of village upheaval. As the years pass in front of the camera, we witness Gibreel grow from a newborn baby into a young boy who observes the world unfolding around him with the astute powers of perception that only children possess. Burnat watches from behind the lens as olive trees are bulldozed, protests intensify and lives are lost in this cinematic diary and unparalleled record of life in the West Bank.

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Killing Gaza (97 mins)

In *Killing Gaza*, journalists Dan Cohen and Max Blumenthal documented Israel's 2014 war on Gaza. Yet this film is much more than a documentary about Palestinian resilience and suffering. It is a chilling visual document of war crimes committed by the Israeli military, featuring direct testimony and evidence from the survivors.

"...'Killing Gaza,' offers an unflinching and moving portrait of a people largely abandoned by the outside world, struggling to endure." - Pulitzer-prize winning journalist, best-selling author and activist Chris Hedges.

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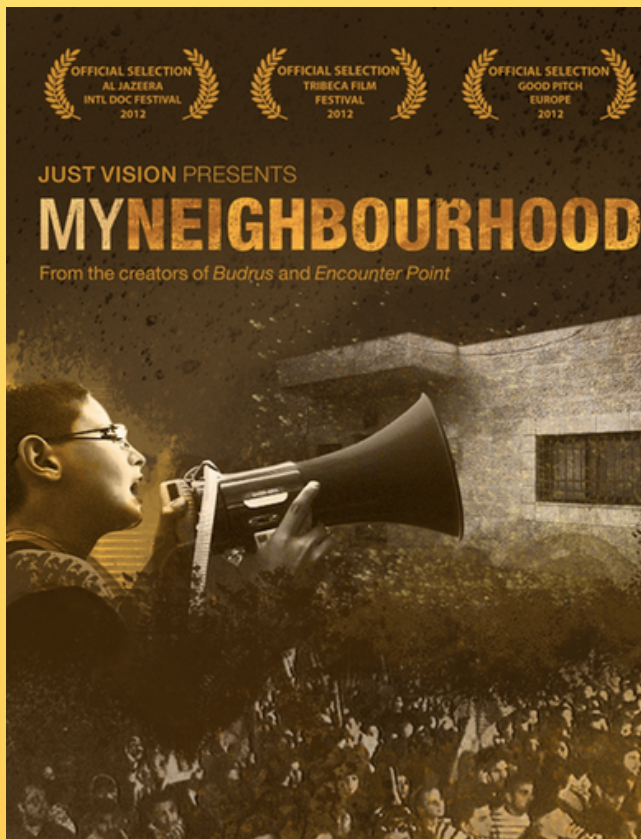
Gaza Fights for Freedom (84 mins) is the debut film of journalist Abby Martin. It tells the story of Gaza past and present, showing rare archival footage that explains the history never acknowledged by mass media. You hear from victims of the ongoing massacre, including journalists, medics and the family of internationally-acclaimed paramedic, Razan al-Najjar. At its core, 'Gaza Fights For Freedom' is a thorough indictment of the Israeli military for war crimes with exclusive documentary evidence and a stunning cinematic portrayal of Palestinians' heroic resistance. It is a documentary about the historic Great March Of Return protests, which occurred every week from March 2018 until December 2019, but covers so much more.

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My Neighbourhood (26 minutes)

Mohammed El Kurd is a Palestinian boy growing up in the neighbourhood of Sheikh Jarrah in the heart of East Jerusalem. When he turns 11, his family is forced to give up part of their home to Israeli settlers, who are leading a campaign of court-sanctioned evictions to guarantee Jewish control of the area.

My Neighbourhood follows Mohammed as he comes of age in the midst of tensions and remarkable cooperation in his backyard. Highlighting his own reactions to the highly volatile situation, reflections from family members and other evicted residents, accounts of Israeli protesters and interviews with Israeli settlers, the film chronicles the resolve of a neighborhood.

Film available [HERE](#)

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Short Documentary: High Hopes (14 mins)

In 1997-1998, many Bedouin Palestinian refugees living under Israeli Occupation were forcibly displaced by Israel to a garbage dump. During that entire period, the Oslo Peace Process was ongoing, with 'high hopes' for peace; similarly, recent peace talks took place while a plan exists to forcibly displace many Bedouin from Jerusalem and Ramallah governorates to a site accommodating up to 12,500 Bedouin. 30,000 Bedouin and other Palestinian herders in Area C are vulnerable to settlement expansion (moreover, up to 70,000 other Bedouin inside Israel in the Negev Desert are to be displaced by the Praver Plan).

This is an older film and only 14 minutes long, but nonetheless, an important record of the continued illegal evictions and displacement of groups of bedouins in Palestine.

Film available [HERE](#)



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Al-Nakba is an Al-Jazeera series on the Palestinian 'catastrophe' of 1948 that led to dispossession and conflict that still endures. "The Nakba did not begin in 1948. Its origins lie over two centuries ago..." So begins this four-part series on the 'nakba', about the history of the Palestinian exodus that led to the first Arab-Israeli war in 1948, and the establishment of the state of Israel. **(each episode approx.47 min)**

The four-part series can be found by clicking on the specific episode below:

Episode One: This story starts in 1799, outside the walls of Acre in Ottoman-controlled Palestine, when an army under Napoleon Bonaparte besieged the city. It was all part of a campaign to defeat the Ottomans and establish a French presence in the region. Napoleon was ultimately defeated. Yet Napoleon's project for a Jewish homeland in the region under a colonial protectorate did not die, 40 years later, the plan was revived but by the British.

Episode Two: On 19 April 1936, the Palestinians launched a national strike to protest against mass Jewish immigration and what they saw as Britain's alliance with the Zionist movement. The British responded with force. This led to the Peel Commission which drew the frontiers of a Jewish state in one-third of Palestine, and an Arab state in the remaining two-thirds, to be merged with Transjordan. Between 1936 and 1937, the British killed over 1,000 Palestinians; 37 British military police and 69 Jews also died.

Episode Three: On 29 November 1947, the UN General Assembly met to devise a plan for the partition of Palestine. UN Resolution 181 divided Palestine into an Arab and a Jewish state, with Jerusalem as an internationalized city. The Jewish state was granted 56% of the land. Following the partition resolution, Britain announced it would end its mandate in Palestine on 14 May 1948.

Episode Four: In early 1948, Jewish paramilitary forces began to seize more land in Palestine. By the end of July, more than 400,000 Palestinians had been forced to flee their homes, and their plight as refugees had just begun. In May of that year, Swedish diplomat Count Folke Bernadotte had been appointed as the UN Mediator in Palestine. His mission was to seek a peaceful settlement. On 17 September, the day following his UN report, Count Bernadotte's motorcade was ambushed in Jerusalem. He was shot at point blank range by members of the Jewish Stern gang.

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Al Jazeera's The Lobby USA: Al Jazeera's Investigative Unit's "The Lobby USA" uncovers espionage and smear campaigns by the State of Israel and its American proxies - the network of pro-Israel lobby groups which Kleinfeld, an undercover reporter, infiltrates with a hidden camera. The result of a five month undercover operation, the four-part series reveals some uncomfortable truths about the reach of Israeli government influence in American political life. In its attempts to thwart the growing Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions (BDS) movement, the US Israel Lobby spies on activists and smears them as anti-semites. The series also reveals potentially illegal campaign fundraising activities by AIPAC, as well as the flaunting of foreign-agent registration requirements by the Foundation for the Defence of Democracies, a prominent DC neoconservative think tank. The series was never aired because of extraordinary political pressure. Electric Intifada leaked the series and it is available free of charge on YouTube. **The four-part series can be found by clicking on the specific episode below:**

[Episode 1: The Covert War \(49 min\)](#)

[Episode 2: Managing Elites \(50 min\)](#)

[Episode 3: The Witch Hunt \(50 min\)](#)

[Episode 4: Marketing Occupation \(50 min\)](#)



With God on Our Side (82 min)

With God On Our Side takes a look at the theology of Christian Zionism, which teaches that because the Jews are God's chosen people, they have a divine right to the land of Israel. Aspects of this belief system lead some Christians in the West to give uncritical support to Israeli government policies, even those that privilege Jews at the expense of Palestinians, leading to great suffering among Muslim and Christian Palestinians alike and threatening Israel's security as a whole. Is there a Biblical alternative for Christians who want to love and support the people of Israel? A way that doesn't favor one people group over another but instead promotes peace and reconciliation of both Jews and Palestinians?



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