

"Rest In My Shade" Book Launch

Sunday, December 9, 2018 1:30 PM 3:30 PM

Palestine Museum US cordially invites you to the global launch of the book "Rest In My Shade, A Poem About Roots." The ceremony will take place at the Museum at 1:30 PM Sunday December 9, 2018. We are fortunate to have one of the two co-authors of the book, Nora Lester Murad, as the keynote speaker of the event. The book will be available for sale to attendees. All copies sold at the event will be signed by the authors (co-author Danna Masad's signature will be applied to the book with a sticker as she is in Palestine and unable to travel to the US) and Faisal Saleh, the founder of Palestine Museum US, the sponsor of the book.

Nora Lester Murad will be present in person to read the (poem – 10 to 15 minutes) book and share stunning art from Palestinian artists including Fouad Agbaria, Tamam Al-Akhal, Motaz al-Omari, Hani Amra, Nabil Anani, Ayed Arafah, Rafat Asad, Rana Bishara, Ahmad Canaan, Ziad Yousef Hajali, Michael Halak, Abdul Rahman Katanani, Suleiman Mansour, Dina Matar, Marwan Nassar, Bashir Qonqar, Steve Sabella, and Ismail Shammout. She will also discuss displacement and how today's global displacement crises relate to Palestinian history.

An energetic speaker, Nora invites attendees to reflect from new perspectives and contribute their own experience. She has spoken about community philanthropy, international aid and life under Israeli military occupation at international events in Korea, the UK, Japan, Northern Ireland, Germany, Dubai, Namibia, Brazil, and elsewhere. She has published extensively in The Guardian, Aljazeera, This Week in Palestine, OpenDemocracy, Huffington Post, and Mondoweiss, among others.

After 13 years raising her three Palestinian-American daughters in

Jerusalem and Ramallah, Nora now resides in Manhattan where she teaches critical humanitarian studies at Fordham University. She's working on her second book: "Ajnabi/ya: Reflections by Foreigners Transformed by Palestine" and a novel about Palestinian women who challenge Israeli control over Jerusalem in the most creative of ways.

Attendance is free of charge but tickets are required.