

Popular Resistance in Palestine: A History of Hope and Empowerment

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The Western media paint Palestinian resistance against Israeli occupation as exclusively violent: armed resistance, suicide bombings, and rocket attacks. In reality these methods are the exception to what is a peaceful and creative resistance movement. In this fascinating book, Dr Mazin Qumsiyeh synthesises data from hundreds of original sources to provide the most comprehensive study of civil resistance in Palestine.

About the speaker

Professor Mazin Qumsiyeh teaches and does research at Bethlehem and Birzeit Universities in occupied Palestine. He serves as chairman of the board of the Palestinian Centre for Rapprochement Between People and coordinator of the Popular Committee Against the Wall and Israeli Settlements in *Beit Sahour*. Professor Qumsiyeh authored "Sharing the Land of Canaan: Human rights and the Israeli/Palestinian Struggle" (Pluto Press, 2004) and the newly published book "Popular Resistance in Palestine: A history of Hope and Empowerment" (Pluto 2011). He is one of those few Palestinian Americans who chose to return to his homeland in 2008 to continue non-violent resistance at grass roots level. In America, he served on the faculties of Yale and Duke Universities, and the University of Tennessee.

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