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Since the declaration of the state of Israel in 1948, countless Palestinian villages have been erased from the map. The film uses poignant images of bombardments, destroyed buildings and disfigured people to illustrate this. All that remains are ruins, bearing silent witness in the landscape. Ma'loul, just west of Nazareth, is one such ruined village.



***Yom al-Ard [Land Day]* (2019) by Monica Maurer | 15 min**

Yom al-Ard portrays the fragmentation of the land and the experience of the forced displacement of the Palestinian people through rare, recently restored footage shot in the Galilee (Nazareth, Deir Hanna, and Sakhnin) on the occasion of the 5th anniversary of Land Day in March 1981.



***Masafer Yatta: Forced from Home* (2023) by Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) | 11 min**

In May 2022, the Israeli Supreme Court ruled that Palestinians in the region of Masafer Yatta are not permanent residents. This allowed the area to be declared “a firing zone 918” and permitted the relocation of the residents. Since this court decision, Masafer Yatta residents have experienced an increase in harassment and restrictive measures, as well as the demolition of homes, schools, and other structures.



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Photo: Palestinian village of Susya with a Zionist outpost (embryo of a settlement) in the background.

Nihad Ben Salah is a Tunisian-Palestinian scientist active in the movement for the liberation of Palestine. She has volunteered with Project Hope and is currently a volunteer with Amnesty International and the Masafer Yatta Solidarity Alliance (MYSA). With MYSA, she experienced the escalation of settler violence in the southern hills of al-Khalil after the "ceasefire" in October 2025. She will share her personal experience, going beyond the western perspective that only views violence as an outburst leading to death or injury. She will present how settler-colonial violence is a slow, creeping, and disgusting force seeping into all dimensions of life in occupied Palestine: daily routine, hyper-vigilance, the land itself.

