

## MAIN SPEAKERS

**Sherene Abdulhadi.** Muslim Palestinian, born and raised in occupied Jerusalem, she has devoted her life to Palestinian economic development and the sustenance of the Palestinian private sector, working on institutional capacity building and management consulting.

**Mohammed Abu Nimer.** Palestinian scholar, teaches “International Peace and Conflict Resolution” in the School of International Studies at the American University in Washington, DC, author of *Nonviolence and Peacemaking in Islam*.

**Rev. Canon Naim Ateek.** Palestinian Anglican priest, founder and director of The Sabeel Ecumenical Liberation Theology Center in Jerusalem, author of *Justice and Justice Only: A Palestinian Theology of Liberation*.

**Phyllis Bennis.** Fellow at the Institute for Policy Studies, Washington, DC, expert on the United Nations and Middle East issues. She has written widely on the Middle East, including recent primers on Palestine and Iraq.

**Craig & Cindy Corrie.** Parents of Rachel Corrie, an activist killed by an Israeli, Caterpillar D-9 bulldozer in Gaza in March 2003. They now devote their time to raising awareness about the Palestinian/Israeli issue and advocating for a just peace in the region.

**Marc Ellis.** Director of the Center for American & Jewish Studies at Baylor University, author of fifteen books including *Israel and Palestine Out of the Ashes: The Search for Jewish Identity in the Twenty-first Century*.

**Jeff Halper.** Coordinating Director of the Israeli Committee Against House Demolitions, Israeli-American peace activist, professor of anthropology, author of *Obstacles to Peace: A Reframing of the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict*.

**Roni Hammerman.** Jewish Israeli, Head of the Department of Humanities at the Bloomfield Library for Humanities and Social Sciences of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, involved with MACHSOM WATCH (Checkpoint Watch), a women’s group that observes and reports on the conduct of Israeli soldiers at checkpoints.

**Amira Hillal.** Christian Palestinian, Women’s Project Coordinator and Administrative Assistant for the Alternative Information Center (AIC). The AIC is a joint Palestinian-Israeli organization with offices in Jerusalem and Beit Sahour.

## ADDITIONAL WORKSHOP FACILITATORS

Ira Chernus, Bill Durland, Genie Durland, Ron Forthofer, Rev. Larry Grimm, Bassem Hassan, Joanne Kaufman, Imam Ibrahim Kazarooni, Wadi Muhaisen, Ellen O’Grady, Rob Prince, Mazin Qumsiyeh, Rima Barakat Sinclair, Michael Tarazi, Dahlia Wasfi, Tim Weber

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Friday and Saturday  
October 21-22, 2005

Opens 12 noon on Fri, Oct 21  
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## WORKSHOPS

Introduction to the Israeli/Palestinian Conflict:  
Five Myths (Ron Forthofer, Bassem Hassan,  
Wadi Muhaisen, Rob Prince, Dahlia Wasfi)

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Current Status of the Conflict: How Promising are the Re-  
cent Developments? (Michael Tarazi)

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Jerusalem Women Speak: Three Women, Three Faiths,  
One Shared Vision (Sherene Abdulhadi, Roni  
Hammerman, Amira Hillal - Partners for Peace)

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US Middle East Policy: What It Has Been and  
What It Needs to Be (Phyllis Bennis)

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Palestinian Right of Return (Rima Barakat Sinclair)

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Re-framing the Conflict: Human Rights  
and International Law (Jeff Halper)

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Seeking Peace in Palestine: Effective Lobbying  
(Craig & Cindy Corrie)

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Media Activism: What the Media Reports and How  
to Respond (Mazin Qumsiyeh)

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Theories & Practices of Nonviolence in the Palestinian/  
Israeli Context: Challenges & Achievements  
(Mohammed Abu Nimer & Ira Chernus)

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Nonviolent Resistance in the Middle East:  
Christian Peacemaker Teams  
(Genie Durland & Joanne Kaufman )

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Violence in the Abrahamic Traditions: Dealing with the  
Sacred Texts (Imam Ibrahim Kazarooni)

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Morally Responsible Investment: What are the  
Churches Doing? (Rev. Larry Grimm)

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Palestinian Liberation Theology (Rev. Naim Ateek)

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Christian Zionism: What Is It and How Can It  
Be Challenged? (Tim Weber)

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Liberation Theology: The Response to  
Christian Zionism (Bill Durland)

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Outside the Ark: An Artist's Journey in  
Occupied Palestine (Ellen O'Grady)

## CONFERENCE PROGRAM & SCHEDULE

### Friday, October 21

12 noon Registration Opens  
Book and Video Sales  
Palestinian Handicraft Sales  
Information Tables  
Video Room Open (a program of  
informational videos will play  
throughout the conference)

1:00-1:15 Opening and Welcome

1:15-2:15 Opening Address: Sherene Abdulhadi,  
Roni Hammerman, Amira Hillal -  
Partners for Peace: *"Jerusalem  
Women Speak: Three Women, Three  
Faiths, One Shared Vision"*

2:30-4:00 Workshop Session A

4:15-5:15 Plenary Address: Phyllis Bennis  
*"What Next in Palestine?  
A Critical Analysis"*

5:15-6:15 Book and Video Sales  
Palestinian Handicraft Sales  
Information Tables  
Book Signings

6:15-6:30 Breaking the Fast of Ramadan  
Prayer

6:30-8:00 Middle Eastern Banquet  
Entertainment

8:00-9:00 Keynote Address: Rev. Naim Ateek,  
Director of Sabeel  
*"Ending the Silence: Working for a  
Just Peace in Palestine and Israel"*

### Saturday, October 22

8:00 am Registration Opens  
Book and Video Sales  
Palestinian Handicraft Sales  
Information Tables  
Video Room Open  
Coffee and Donuts

8:15-8:30 Opening and Welcome

8:30-9:15 Plenary Address: Marc Ellis  
*"Jews of Conscience and the  
Future of Israel and Palestine"*

9:30-11:00 Workshop Session B

11:15-12:00 Plenary Address:  
Mohammed Abu Nimer  
*"Interfaith Peacework in Israel and  
Palestine: Between Dialogue and  
Liberation"*

12:00-1:15 Lunch Break  
Lunchtime Gathering with  
Craig and Cindy Corrie  
*"Conversation with the Corries"*

1:15-2:15 Plenary Address: Jeff Halper  
*"Defeating Apartheid:  
What Do We Have to Do?"*

2:30-4:00 Workshop Session C

4:15-5:00 Closing Ceremony