Panels and papers of interest to Palestine Studies
(with 32 presenters/organizers/chairs/discussants who are PARC fellows and/or board members, denoted by an *)

PARC-Sponsored MESA Panels

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Special MESA Sessions Related to Palestine

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[P3645] Visualizing Modernity in the Nineteenth Century: Photography and Print Culture from the Middle East
Chair: Cyrus Schayegh (Princeton U)
Stephen Sheehi (College of William and Mary) "The Motive Behind This Portrait": Ottoman Arab Photography and the Mediation of Class Anxiety

[P3985] New Approaches to Palestinian/Israeli Studies
Chair: Richard Cahill (Berea College)
Rebecca Granato* (Al Quds Bard College) The Trope of the Hunger Strike: How Bobby Sands is/of the Palestinian Narrative
Steven Wagner (U of Oxford) “Palestine is but a small section of the great Arab Fatherland” – British Signals Intelligence, Anglo-Saudi Relations, and the 1939 White Paper Policy for Palestine

[P3664] Minorities and Formations of the Modern Arab State
Organizer: Fadi Dawood (SOAS, U of London)
Karene Sanchez (Leiden U) The Catholic minority of Palestine and its political mobilization (1918-1960)

SESSION IV: SUNDAY, 23 NOV. 8:30 AM

[P3685] From Margin to Mainstream: Geographical Transformation of Community in Rural and Urban Histories of the Other from WWII to the Arab Spring
Chair: Sargon Donabed (Roger Williams U)
Paul S. Rowe (Trinity Western U) From the Inside Looking Outside: Alternative Story Telling Initiatives among Palestinian Christians

[P3861] Powering Resistance, Fueling Conflict: Energy and State-Society Relations in the
Middle East
Chair and Presenter: Jeanene Mitchell (U of Washington)
Esra Bakkalbasioglu (U of Washington) *Breaking the Infrastructural Dependency: Solar Panels as New Tools of Resistance*

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Organizer: Matthew Stiffler (Arab American National Museum)
Louise A. Cainkar (Marquette U) *Homeland Imaginings of Palestinian Youth in the US Diaspora*
Salah D. Hassan (Michigan State U) *Transnational Commitments: Arab American Activism and Palestinian Solidarity*
Umayyah Cable (U of Southern California) *Palestinian National Cinema in Diaspora: Film Festivals and Diasporic Identity Politics*
Suraya Khan (Rice U) *Beyond the Abstractions: Hisham Sharabi and an Arab-American Intellectual Generation*

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**[P3756] Rule of Experts?: Revolutions, Doctrines, and Interventions in the Middle East**
Chair: Osamah Khalil* (Syracuse U)
Tahani Mustafa (SOAS, U of London) *The Paradox of Security Sector Reform: the case of the occupies Palestinian Territories*
Osamah Khalil* (Syracuse U) *Modernizing the Arab Mind: Constructing Traditional Society and Expertise in the Middle East, 1951-1973*
Waleed Hazbun (American U of Beirut) *American Myth-Making in Middle East: The Uses of Moderization Theory*
[P3966] Modern Arabic Literature, Criticism, and Identity Formation
Chair: Mohammad Salama (San Francisco State U)
Amal Amireh (George Mason U) Constructions of Feminist Subjectivities: Representations of Mothers in Arab Women’s Autobiography
Shaden Tageldin (U of Minnesota) Migration and the Estrangement of Modern Arabic

[P3972] Palestinian Identities: Then and Now
Chair: Nancy L. Stockdale (U of North Texas)
Harel Chorev (Tel Aviv U) Re-Networking Palestine: Disintegration and Integration of British Mandatory Palestinian Society
Hind Ghandour (Swinburne U of Technology) Citizenship Space: conceptualizing Palestinian national identity of naturalized citizens in Lebanon
Marwan D. Hanania (Stanford U) The Battle of Karameh and Palestinian-Jordanian Dynamics Revisited
Torsten Janson (Lund U) From Camp to Campus: Palestinian Identity at Lebanese Universities
Melanie Meinzer (U of Connecticut) The Impact of Foreign Aid on Political Consciousness in Palestinian Education
Nora Stel (Maastricht School of Management and Utrecht U) 'The Children of the State': How Palestinians from the Seven Villages Negotiate Sect, Party, and State in Lebanon

[P3925] World War One and Its Aftermath
Chair: Weston F. Cook Jr. (U of North Carolina, Pembroke)
Roberto Mazza (Western Illinois U) Cemal Pasha, Zionism, and the alleged expulsion of the Jews from Jaffa in April 1917

[P3981] Representing Otherness, Negotiating Difference
Marika Chachibaia (Tbilisi State U) The Palestinian Anti-Chalcedonian Hagiographer of the 5th Century

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Susan Akram (Boston U School of Law)
Paul Aaron (Consultant, Gaza Community Mental Health Program)

[P3886] Social Media, the Digital Archive, and Scholarly Futures
Chair and Discussant: Elliot Colla (Georgetown U)
Rebecca L. Stein* (Duke U) The Perpetrator's Archive: Israel’s Occupation on Youtube
Amahl Bishara* (Tufis U) A Popular Digital Archive of Resistance: Facebook Posts of Protests and Arrest Raids

[P3873] The Archive: Collections and Counter-Collections
SESSION VIII: MONDAY, 24 NOV. 8:30 AM

[P4002] Of Conflict and Text: Critical Explorations on the Spaces and Significances of Political Posters, Graffiti, and Street Art in the Making and Unmaking of Political Violence, Part II
Chair: Eric Bordenkircher (U of California, LA)
Organizer: Kevin M. DeJesus (Johnson and Wales U)
Ashley Toenjes (Illinois State U) This wall speaks: graffiti and the construction of transnational space in Palestine

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[P3787] Microhistories of Palestine
Chair and Discussant: Laila Parsons (McGill U)
Rosemarie M. Esber (Arabicus Books & Media) The Tantura Massacre of 1948
Liora Halperin (U of Colorado, Boulder) A Microhistory of Jewish-Arab Conflict in Late Ottoman Palestine
Mark Sanagan (McGill U) Violence, Land, and the Law in Saffuriyya, 1932-1935
Shay Hazkani (New York U) Fighting for Palestine, Even if My Parents Say No: Egyptian
Muslim Brothers Writing from Palestine, 1948

[P3643] Israel, the United States and a Changing Middle East
Chair, Organizer, and Discussant: Robert O. Freedman (Johns Hopkins U)
Ilan Peleg (Lafayette College) Israel, Netanyahu & the Palestinians: Is the Third Term the Charm?!

[P3646] Economics and Politics of War in the Middle East
Chair and Discussant: Rochelle Davis* (Georgetown University)
Lisa Bhungalia* (Syracuse U) Economies of War: Aid and the Liberal Encounter in Palestine

[P3982] Ottoman Power and Practice in the Early 17th Century
Amaya Martin (U of Notre Dame) The Ottoman Authorities and the Franciscians: A View of Jerusalem in the 17th Century

[P3710] Religiously Mixed Families in the Medieval Middle East: Intermarriage and Its Consequences
Christina Sahner (Princeton U) Mixed Marriage, Conversion and Violence: Insights from Christian Hagiography in the Early Islamic Period

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[P3917] Perilous Peacemaking: Israeli-Palestinian Relations Since Oslo
Chair: Timothy Schorn (U of South Dakota)
Andrew Barwig (Department of State) “New Blood” in Israel's Knesset: Elite Circulation and Parliamentary Resilience
Karam Dana* (U of Washington) Twenty Years After Oslo: What do Palestinians Think?
Maia Carter Hallward* (Kennesaw State U) Choosing to Negotiate Under Sub-Optimal Conditions: The 2013 Israeli Palestinian Negotiations
Gabriele Mombelli (U of Florence) The Palestinian National Authority Security Sector. An Operational Overview
Elie Podeh (Hebrew U of Jerusalem) Missed Opportunities in the Arab-Israeli Conflict: The Case of the Arab Peace Initiative (2002-2014)

Organizers: Janine A. Clark (U of Guelph) & Marion Boulby (Trent University)
Marion Boulby (Trent U) Hamas Women in Municipalities: Patriarchal Politics

SESSION XII: TUESDAY, 25 NOV. 8:30 AM

[P3782] Post-colonialities and Feminisms: The Challenge of Orientalism
Organizer: Ariel Sincoff-Yedid (Indiana U)
Masha Kirasirova (New York U Abu Dhabi) Middle Eastern Women in Soviet Archives: New Sources and Questions

[P3959] Art, Performance, and Politics
Chair: Nadia G. Yaqub (U of North Carolina, Chapel Hill)
Samer Al-Saber (Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow/Davidson College) Permission to Perform: Il/legal Censorship in Jerusalem

[R3751] Oral History in the Middle East: Promises, Pitfalls, and Perils
Sophie Richter-Devroe (U of Exeter) Naqab Women

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[P3964] Contestations and Disruptions in Urban Space
Maayan Hilell (Tel Aviv U) “Disrupting the social order”: Palestinian Women in Public Spaces during the Mandate Period

[P3943] New Horizons of Diaspora Migration I
Chair: Dinah Assouline Stillman (U of Oklahoma)
Denise Jenison, (Kent State U) “American citizens of Arabic-speaking stock”: The Institute of Arab American Affairs and Questions of Identity in the Debate over Palestine
E. Eren Tatari (Rollins Collete); Alia El-Assar (Georgetown U) Comparing the Political Integration of Turks, Moroccans and Palestinians in Orlando

[P3919] Palestinian Resistance: Spaces and Standpoints
Chair: Timothy Schorn (U of South Dakota)
Maryam Griffin *(U of California, Santa Barbara) Movement as/and Non-movement in
Palestine

Sharri Plonski (SOAS, U of London) Transcending Bounded Space: The Struggle for Land and Space by the Palestinian Citizens of Israel
Maya Rosenfeld (Hebrew U) The Movement of Palestinian Political Prisoners and the Struggle against the Israeli Occupation: A Historical Perspective

[P3867] Urbanism and the Politics of the Mandate Period, Local versus Imperial Interests
Chair: Elizabeth Thompson (U of Virginia)
Noah Hysler Rubin (Bezalel Academy of Art and Design) Planning Palestine: British and Zionist plans for Tiberius and Nathanya

[P3893] Public Opinion in the Middle East
Organizer: Yael Zeira (U of Mississippi)
Discussant: Amaney A. Jamal (Princeton U)
Devorah Manekin (Arizona State U) Carrots and Sticks: Policy Instruments and Public Opinion in the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict
Yael Zeira (U of Mississippi) International Recognition and Popular Support for Violence
Peter Krause (Boston College) The Impact of Education on Attitudes about Terrorism and U.S. Foreign Policy in the Middle East

[P3731] Making Sense of Sound in Middle Eastern History
Organizer: G. Carole Woodall (U of Colorado, Colorado Springs)
Andrea L. Stanton (U of Denver) Audio Quality and Technological Innovations: Marketing Radio Sets and Gramophones in Lebanon and Palestine, 1930s-1940s

SESSION XIV: TUESDAY, 25 NOV. 1:30 PM

[P3949] Transnational Cultural Production
Chair: Zeynep Seviner (U of Washington)
Robert B. Lang (U of Hartford) Ari Folman's “Waltz with Bashir”: Whose Trauma?
Isra Ali (Rutgers U) Adaptation: Cultural Alliances and Television Production in Israel and the United States.

Organizer: Emily McKee* (Northern Illinois U) and Kate McClellan (Mississippi State U)
Discussant: Mandana E. Limbert (Queens College, CUNY)
Sophia Stamatopoulou-Robbins* (Columbia U/Bard College) Greening Palestine
Emily McKee* (Northern Illinois U) Turbulent Waterworlds: Re-Mapping Rights and Responsibilities along the Jordan River

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[P3713] Social Media and Pedagogy of Middle East Studies
Kimberly Katz* (Towson U)

[R3668] Studying Contentious Politics and Social Movements after the Arab Uprisings
Wendy Pearlman* (Northwestern U) Dominant Approaches to Social Movement Theory

SESSION V: SUNDAY, 23 NOV. 11 AM

[C3995] World War I in the Middle East
Ellen Fleischmann* (U of Dayton) American Missionaries during the War
Charles Smith* (U of Arizona) Diplomacy of the Entente Powers

SESSION VI: SUNDAY, 23 NOV. 2 PM

[P3678] Outside(rs) Looking In: External Influences on State and Civil Society in the Arab Uprisings
Laurie Brand* (U of Southern California) Arab Diasporas and Home State Political Development: theorizing the relationship

SESSION IX: MONDAY, 24 NOV. 11 AM

[P3815] The Question of Revolution in Syria
Wendy Pearlman* (Northwestern U) Changing Meanings of Fear: Syrian Refugees Narrate the Revolution

[C3990] The Funding of Middle East Studies Post 9/11
Organizer: Christopher Stone* (Hunter College, CUNY)
Joel Beinin* (Stanford U) Funding pressures of liberal education and critical thinking

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[R3701] Islamists in Power in the Arab Spring: Conflict and Compromise in Egypt and Tunisia – Presenter
Nathan Brown* (George Washington U) Morsi Presidency and the Muslim Brotherhood

[P3812] Conceptualizing Spatial Transformations in the Gulf and the Arabian Peninsula
Moain Sadeq* (Qatar U) Society and Daily Life Practices in Qatar before Oil Industry

[P3718] Neoliberal Politics of Charity in the Middle East
Kim Shively* (Kutztown U) Sanctifying Economy: Hizmet and the Purification of Wealth

SESSION XIV: TUESDAY, 25 NOV. 1:30 PM

[P3942] The Politics of Health and Social Policy
Angel Foster* (Ibis Reproductive Health) Reproductive health and rights in post-revolution Tunisia