

CANADA PARK

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DURATION

11:51

YEAR

2015

ORIGINAL LANGUAGE

Arabic

English (text on-screen)

CATEGORY

Documentary

**DESCRIPTION**

Canada Park sheds light on the ethnic cleansing of three Palestinian villages in the West Bank (Yalu, Imwas, and Beit Nuba) that were systematically destroyed during the 1967 Israeli military occupation. Through archival records, survivors testimonies, and directly recorded images, the work reveals the forced expulsion of 10,000 Palestinians, the expropriation of their land, and the erasure of their homes, orchards, cemeteries, and places of worship by the Israeli settler state.

In the late 1970s, over the ruins of these villages, a recreational park called "Canada Park" was established exclusively for Israelis, funded by the then-charitable Jewish National Fund of Canada. This leisure park conceals the settler-colonial crimes committed against the Indigenous Palestinian people, as well as Canada's complicity in this crime. Refugees to this day, the displaced inhabitants of the three villages are denied the right to return to their villages and rebuild their homes.

IMAGE FORMAT

16:9

SOUND

Stereo

SHOOTING FORMAT

HD

KEYWORDS

Palestine, Gaza, Colonialism, Oral History, Testimony

THEMES

Activism and social struggles

Indigenous and indigeneity

International issues

Middle East

Refugees

Violence