

Palestinian-American Entrepreneur Launches PalestineMuseum.US

First Museum with permanent exhibit space in the US dedicated to preserving Palestinian history and telling the Palestinian story to a worldwide audience

WOODBRIDGE, CONNECTICUT, USA, December 6, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -- A new US-based museum dedicated to researching and preserving Palestinian history, as well as presenting expressive art and individual stories from Palestinians around the world today, is launched by Palestinian-American businessman and entrepreneur <u>Faisal Saleh</u>. The first US-based Palestinian museum with permanent exhibition space, <u>Palestine Museum US</u> will open in January 2018 in Woodbridge, CT, with initial exhibitions, followed by a grand opening in April 2018. The museum will feature multimedia collections curated from rare historical photographs and documents, films and digital media, oral histories, and the visual and literary arts, along with public lectures and live performances.

"The mission of the Palestine Museum US is to tell the Palestinian story to a broad worldwide audience," says Saleh, who after over 40 years of entrepreneurial undertakings is now tackling one of the most ambitious Palestinian media projects in the US. Saleh was born in El-Bireh (Ramallah), to a refugee family from the pre-1948 Palestinian village of Salameh (Jaffa). He came to the United States in 1969 at age 17 to complete his education, earning a BA in Economics (Oberlin College) and an MBA in Business Management (University of Connecticut), and he has founded several companies specializing in employee benefits, HR outsourcing, and vendor management.

"I'm overwhelmed by the enthusiasm for this project," says Saleh. "Our <u>Facebook page</u>, which has been up for just a short while, has over 1,500 followers. We post in both English and Arabic, and it's especially gratifying to see 'likes' and comments coming from the West Bank and Gaza." He is receiving proposals for exhibitions from a wide array of artists, writers, and performers, and he is in the process of establishing professional curators.

The Palestine Museum US is an independent nonpolitical, nonreligious, not-for-profit organization incorporated in the State of Connecticut. It is managed by an initial board of directors whose members represent, exclusively, Palestinians from all walks of life, including business professionals, physicians, scientists, lawyers, and academic scholars. "We are in the process of expanding the board to accomplish further geographic and professional diversity," explains Saleh, who serves as the Chairman of the Board and Executive Director of the museum. He is also developing an Advisory Board composed of Palestinian and non-Palestinian members from various professional backgrounds. Saleh is funding the startup phase of the museum, but he is hopeful that other Palestinian entrepreneurs will join him as charter supporters. Ultimately, he envisions a larger home for the museum, to be located in either New York or Washington, DC.

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