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***North America***

On 11 August, Canadian Friends for Sabeel and Freedom Flotilla Coalition will hold a conference titled “[Palestinians under Apartheid, Occupation and Siege](https://allevents.in/montreal/gr-conf-palestine/927513180694275)” with three Christian and Muslim Palestinian speakers, Basel Ghattas (Member of Knesset), Nora Carmi, Zakariah Odeh (Civic Coalition for Palestinian Rights in Jerusalem), discussing their personal experiences living as Palestinians citizens of Israel.

•On 14 August, [Americans United for Palestinian Human Rights](http://www.auphr.org/auphrgooglecal.php?showcal=1&uid=unps7cccd5su8hjuti3jjr0260@google.com)will hold a rally/vigil with poetry and music, in Portland, to commemorate 2 years after the 2014 Israeli war on Gaza.

On 25 September, [Ottawa Run for Palestine](http://www.ottawarunforpalestine.com/event-details) will hold their second annual run in Ottawa to raise money for the UNRWA’s Community Mental Health Programme for Palestinian children.

***Australia***

On 17 August, [Australian Friends of Palestinian Association](http://www.afopa.com.au/afopa-events/2016/8/17/afopa-book-club) will hold a book club session in Adelaide to discuss Ilan Pappe’s book, “The Ethnic Cleansing of Palestine”.

***Middle East***

On 27 July, B’tselem published a [report](http://www.btselem.org/press_releases/20160727_house_demolitions_in_area_c) stating that Israel demolished more Palestinian homes in the West Bank in first half of 2016 than in all 2015. The report was presented at the Knesset at a conference on Israel’s Policy of Palestinian home demolition in Area C.On 30 July,[the Democratic Union of Moroccan Youth](http://samidoun.net/2016/07/30-july-rabat-protest-in-solidarity-with-bilal-kayed-and-all-palestinian-prisoners/)will hold a vigil, in Rabat, in solidarity with Bilal Kayed and all Palestinian prisoners in Israeli prisons. Kayed has been on hunger strike since 15 June after the expiration of his 14.5 year prison sentence.

***Europe***

On 8 August, [Samidoun Palestinian Prisoner Solidarity Network and Le Space](http://samidoun.net/2016/07/8-august-brussels-palestinian-political-prisoners-voices-from-palestine-on-the-battle-for-freedom/)will hold a discussion, in Brussels, with Palestinian student activist Shadi Daana regarding the struggle and situation of Palestinian political prisoners.