



CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES
JERUSALEM

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE

WEEKLY MAILING

July 15, 2011

Page 1 - Join Us for a Concert with American Folk Legend Jonathan Edwards

Page 2 - President Obama's and Secretary Clinton's Remarks

Page 3 - Summary Of Quartet Meeting on Middle East Peace

Page 4 - Palestinian Women Complete U.S. Consulate - Sponsored Training

Page 5 - U.S. Consulate Hosts Award - Winning American Poet

Page 6 - Exchange Programs

Page 7 - Regional and International News

Official Websites:

<http://jerusalem.usconsulate.gov>

<http://arabic.jerusalem.usconsulate.gov>

<http://gaza.usvpp.gov>

<http://arabic.gaza.usvpp.gov>

Social Media:

www.facebook.com/UsConGenJerusalem

www.twitter.com/USCGJerusalem

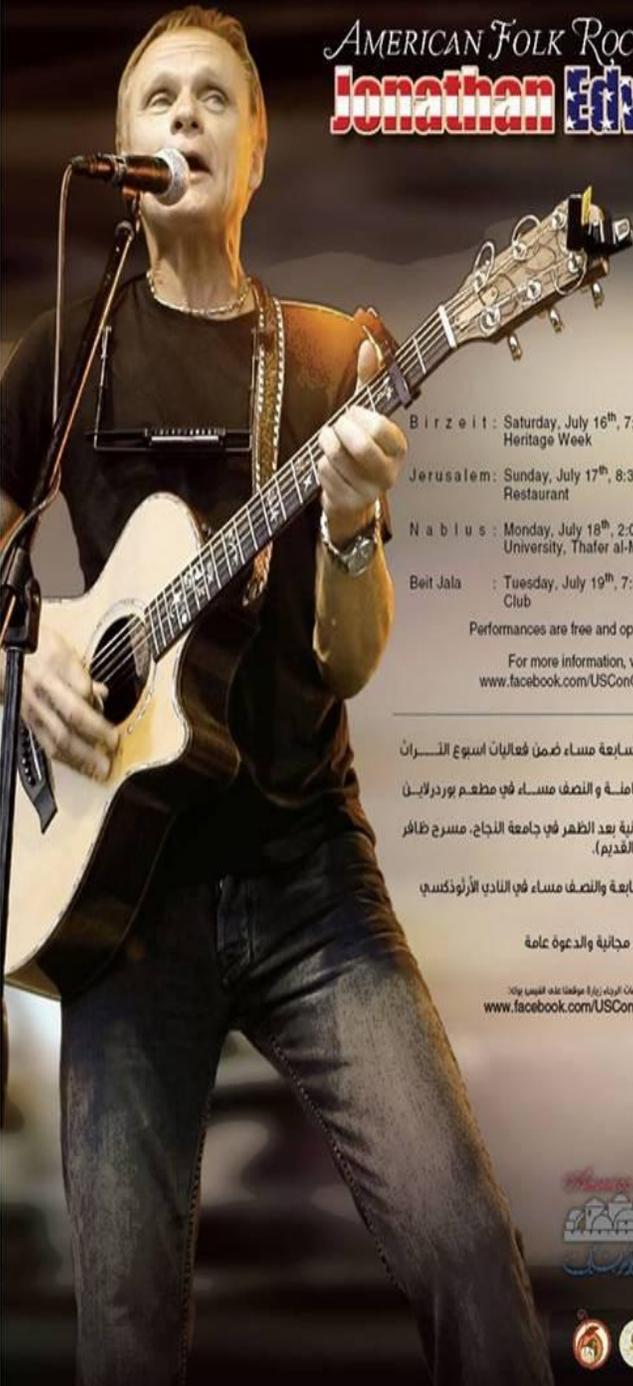
www.youtube.com/UsConGenJerusalem

To subscribe to this Weekly Mailing list, please send an email to UsConGenJerusalem@state.gov

Thank You!

يسر القنصلية الأمريكية في القدس أن تقدم
The U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem is pleased to present

**AMERICAN FOLK ROCK LEGEND
Jonathan Edwards**



Birzeit : Saturday, July 16th, 7:00 pm at the Birzeit Heritage Week
Jerusalem : Sunday, July 17th, 8:30 pm at Borderline Restaurant
Nablus : Monday, July 18th, 2:00 pm at An Najah University, Thafer al-Masri Theater, Old Campus
Beit Jala : Tuesday, July 19th, 7:30 pm at the Arab Orthodox Club

Performances are free and open to the public.
For more information, visit us at:
www.facebook.com/USConGenJerusalem

بيرزيت : السبت ١٦/٧ الساعة السابعة مساء ضمن فعاليات اسبوع التراث
القدس : الأحد ١٧/٧ الساعة الثامنة والنصف مساء في مطعم بوردراين
نابلس : الإثنين ١٨/٧ الساعة الثانية بعد الظهر في جامعة النجاح، مسرح ظاهر المصري (حرم الجامعة القديم).
بيت جالا : الثلاثاء ١٩/٧ الساعة السابعة والنصف مساء في النادي الأرثوذكسي العربي

العروض مجانية والدعوة عامة

لمزيد من المعلومات الرجاء زيارة موقعنا على الفيس بوك
www.facebook.com/USConGenJerusalem



President Obama on U.S. Recognition of South Sudan's Independence



"As today also marks the creation of two new neighbors, South Sudan and Sudan, both peoples must recognize that they will be more secure and prosperous if they move beyond a bitter past and resolve differences peacefully. Lasting peace will only be realized if all sides fulfill their responsibilities."

الرئيس أوباما يعلن رسمياً اعتراف الولايات المتحدة باستقلال جنوب السودان

"وبما أن هذا اليوم يصادف ولادة جارين جديدين - جنوب السودان والسودان - فعلى كلا الشعبين أن يدركا أنهما سيكونان أكثر أمناً وأكثر رخاءً إذا تجاوزا الماضي المرير وسوّيا خلافاتهما سلمياً. والسلام الدائم سينحقق فقط إذا وفّى جميع الأطراف بمسؤولياتهم ويجب تنفيذ اتفاقية السلام الشامل بالكامل كما يجب تسوية وضع إقليم أبيي من خلال المفاوضات. كما يتعين أن يتوقف التهريب والعنف في ولاية جنوب كردفان، لا سيما الذي تمارسه حكومة السودان. كما أن سلامة جميع السودانيين، لا سيما الأقليات منهم، يجب أن تصان. ومن خلال الشجاعة وبفضل اتخاذ الخيارات الصعبة يمكن أن تكون هذه بداية فصل جديد يسوده قدر أكبر من السلام والعدل لجميع أبناء الشعب السوداني."

Secretary Clinton Remarks before Quartet Meeting



"Sudan and South Sudan negotiated a peace agreement that led to independence. That is what we're asking the Palestinians and the Israelis to do. The United States, the UK, Norway and other countries were very involved in the 2005 agreement which ended years of civil war and conflict. In the absence of that agreement, I do not believe there would have been celebration in Juba."

[See Video](#)

Secretary Hillary Clinton on World Population Day

"In October the world's population is expected to exceed 7 billion. While many people are living longer and healthier lives, this simple fact underscores the critical importance of addressing poverty, inequality, lack of education, and poor healthcare that still impact billions of people. Programs that promote increased access to reproductive health care for women and girls in particular can lead the way to a healthier future for all. Investing in women and girls is cost-effective and essential to solving the world's problems."

"With half of the world's population under the age of 25, we must also harness the positive force of the world's youth to meet the needs of 7 billion people."

Summary of Quartet Meeting on Middle East Peace



“The members of the Quartet reiterated also that they remain committed as a group, collectively and individually, to continue this effort and continue their intense engagement with the parties. Clearly, as I said, more work needs to be done, and the members of the Quartet will remain in close coordination as they tackle this difficult challenge. And in fact, the envoys have agreed to meet again tomorrow morning to continue this discussion under the guidance of our principals.”

موجز بفحوى اجتماع اللجنة الرباعية للسلام في الشرق الأوسط

” لكن أعضاء اللجنة الرباعية كرروا أيضاً التأكيد على أنهم سوف يظلون ملتزمين كمجموعة، بصورة جماعية وفردية، بمواصلة هذا الجهد والاستمرار في انخراطهم الكثيف مع الطرفين. من الواضح، كما قلت، إنه يتوجب القيام بعمل أكثر، وسيبقى أعضاء اللجنة الرباعية يعملون بتنسيق وثيق خلال معالجة هذا التحدي الصعب. وبالفعل، وافق المبعوثون على الاجتماع مجدداً صباح غد لمواصلة هذا النقاش بتوجيه من المسؤولين لدينا.”

Sixty-Five Young Palestinian Women Complete Consulate-Sponsored Business Women Forum's Internship Program



On July 13, American Consul General Daniel Rubinstein honored 65 university graduates from the Ramallah, Hebron, Nablus, Bethlehem, Jenin, Tulkarem, Qalqilia, and East Jerusalem areas, who participated in a four-month training and internship program with local and international businesses and organizations in the fields of information technology, trade and business, press and media, healthcare, and civil and architectural engineering. The Palestinian Business Women Forum (BWF) hosted this closing ceremony for the training and internship program, which was attended by Palestinian Authority Minister of Women's Affairs Rabiha Diab. Speaking at the ceremony, Rubinstein praised the interns "who have put forth tremendous effort to complete this rigorous training program," and commended BWF for "serving as important role models for this new generation of emerging business leaders." He also applauded the companies and organizations that participated in the internship program, and encouraged them to continue developing their relationships "as these young women will need your guidance, encouragement and support as they work toward becoming future businesswomen, entrepreneurs, and leaders in their communities in the years to come."

See the Consul General's [full remarks](#)

شابات فلسطينيات يكملن البرنامج التدريبي لمنتدى سيدات الأعمال بدعم من القنصلية الأمريكية

في حفل ختامي في رام الله، كرم القنصل الأمريكي العام دانيال روبنستين اليوم 65 خريجة من الجامعات الفلسطينية في الضفة الغربية بمناسبة انهاء البرنامج التدريبي السنوي الرابع الذي تدعمه القنصلية الأمريكية و ينفذه منتدى سيدات الأعمال. وخلال الحفل الذي استضافه منتدى سيدات الأعمال شارك القنصل العام روبنستين ووزيرة شؤون المرأة ربيحة دياب موظفي المنتدى وأهالي وأصدقاء المتدربات بالإضافة لممثلين عن المؤسسات والمنظمات المستضيفة للخريجات في تهنئة الخريجات. حيث شاركت الطالبات من رام الله و الخليل ونابلس وبيت لحم وجنين وطولكرم وقلقيلية والقدس في برامج تدريبية استمرت لمدة أربعة أشهر مع شركات ومؤسسات محلية ودولية في مجالات تكنولوجيا المعلومات والتجارة والأعمال والصحافة والإعلام والرعاية الصحية والهندسة المدنية والمعمارية. إطلع على الكلمة الكاملة للقنصل العام.

U.S. Consulate General Hosts Award-Winning American Poet Michael Liebler



The U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem hosted American poet Michael "M.L." Liebler for a series of readings, lectures, and workshops with Palestinian students in the West Bank, the Gaza Strip, and East Jerusalem, between July 6-7, 2011. During his visit, Mr. Liebler led a workshop for students at An Najah University entitled, "Spontaneous Poems," in which he encouraged young writers to use classical and contemporary Arabic poetry as an inspiration for developing their own poetry-writing skills. Liebler also led innovative writing workshops with high school students, all participants in the U.S. Government-sponsored ACCESS English Language Microscholarship Program. The workshops took place in Jericho, Ramallah, and the Gaza Strip (via digital video conference). They included activities such as "Remixing President Obama," during which students drew from President Obama's most well-known speeches to write their own original works, and a discussion of hip hop and classical poetry," which encouraged students to consider the works of American poet Langston Hughes with contemporary American hip hop artists.

القنصلية الأمريكية العامة تستضيف الشاعر الأمريكي مايكل ليبيلر

استضافت القنصلية الأمريكية العامة في القدس الشاعر الأمريكي مايكل ليبيلر لتقديم سلسلة من القراءات الشعرية والمحاضرات وورش العمل مع الطلاب الفلسطينيين في الضفة الغربية وغزة والقدس الشرقية وذلك لمدة يومين في السادس والسابع من الشهر الحالي. خلال الزيارة أدار السيد ليبيلر ورشة عمل لطلاب جامعة النجاح بعنوان "القصائد العفوية" حيث شجع الكتاب الشباب على الإستلهام من الشعر العربي الكلاسيكي والمعاصر لتطوير مهاراتهم الشعرية. كما أدار ليبيلر ورشات عمل حول الكتابة الإبداعية مع طلاب مدارس ثانوية من المشاركين في برنامج تعليم اللغة الإنجليزية الذي تدعمه وزارة الخارجية الأمريكية. وقد عقدت ورشات العمل في أريحا ورام الله وقطاع غزة (عبر الفيديو كونفرنس) وبالإضافة لجلسة نقاش عن الهيب هوب والشعر الكلاسيكي الذي شجع الطلاب على اعتماد أعمال الشاعر الأمريكي لانغستون هيوز مع فناني هيب هوب أمريكيين.

CRDF Global announces first Global Innovation through Science and Technology (GIST) competition:

Innovators, scientists, and entrepreneurs are encouraged to participate in GIST's multinational technology idea competition. From July 1 through October 31, CRDF Global will accept two-minute video entries that present technological solutions to economic problems. Twenty-five semi-finalists will be selected by popular vote on the GIST website and will receive coaching and training. In late 2011 an expert panel will award \$20,000 to the grand prize winner. The top 11 concepts will receive a total of \$60,000. Judges will look for individuals or teams who embrace risk from the GIST-eligible countries, which include the Middle East and North Africa. The idea should have market traction. The applicant must not have raised capital for the idea before, cannot be incorporated, and be willing to form a new company. Here is more information:

<http://gist.crdfglobal.org/gist-programs/regional-competitions>

Fulbright Language Teaching Assistant (FLTA) Program

The U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem Announces the AY 2012 Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant Program

The U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem is pleased to announce the AY 2012 competition for the Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant (FLTA) program. The Fulbright FLTA program is an integral part of the Fulbright student program. The nine month, non-degree program will host around 125 Arabic FLTAs from Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Oman, the Palestinian Territories, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Tunisia, the United Arab Emirates, and Yemen.

The FLTA program, funded by the State Department Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA), is aimed at strengthening foreign language instruction at U.S. colleges and universities, and some high schools, while providing future foreign teachers of English with the opportunity to refine their skills, increase their English language proficiency and extend their knowledge of U.S. society and culture. FLTA fellows spend nine months during the academic year serving as teaching assistants at U.S. educational institutions while also taking courses in English teaching and American Studies as non-degree students. FLTAs also interact with their host communities in conversation groups, extracurricular activities and community outreach projects.

FLTA fellows may teach up to two language classes and are required to enroll in at least two courses per semester, one of which must be in American studies. The remaining coursework must relate to their careers in English language teaching. FLTA fellows will also be expected to facilitate cultural events, language clubs and language tables.

FLTA fellows will be required to attend a regional orientation arranged by ECA during the summer of 2010 before arriving in the United States in August. FLTA fellows will also be required to attend a mid-year enrichment workshop that will be hosted by ECA in the United States to share and discuss foreign language best practices and their current teaching experiences with other FLTA fellows.

Application Guidelines: Interested candidates are required to submit an on-line application via the on-line system at the following website: <https://apply.embark.com/student/fulbright/flta/>

Deadline: Friday, August 5, 2011.

Inquiries:

West Bank/East Jerusalem residents:

Tel: (02) 622-7172, or by email to exchanges@state.gov

Gaza Residents: (08) 286-4623, or by email to exchanges@state.gov

Regional and International News

[Clinton on Holding Iranian Human Rights Abusers Accountable](#)

بيان وزيرة الخارجية كلينتون حول إخضاع منتهكي حقوق الإنسان الإيرانيين للمساءلة

[U.S. Ambassador Visits Hama in Solidarity with Syrian Protesters](#)

السفير الأميركي يزور مدينة حماه تضامنا مع المحتجين السوريين

[U.S. Recognizes South Sudan, Pledges Steadfast Partnership](#)

الولايات المتحدة تعترف بدولة جنوب السودان وتتعهد بمشاركة ثابتة

[South Sudan: Lessons Learned at the Negotiating Table](#)

جنوب السودان: الدروس التي جرى تعلّمها من طاولة المفاوضات

[Assistant Secretary Posner's Testimony on Human Rights in Syria](#)

شهادة مساعد وزيرة الخارجية بوزنر حول حقوق الإنسان في سورية

[Clinton at 2011 U.S. Global Leadership Coalition Conference](#)