

FINDING JERUSALEM

Archaeology between Science and Ideology

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BOOK LAUNCH

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This event will bring author **Dr Katharina Galor** (Humboldt University, Berlin) into discussion with **Dr Nazmi Jubeh** (Birzeit University, Palestine) about the findings of her new book: **Finding Jerusalem: Archaeology Between Science and Ideology**. Archaeological discoveries in Jerusalem capture worldwide attention. However, the continuing quest to discover the city's physical remains is not simply an attempt to define its historical legacy. In the context of the ongoing Israeli-Palestinian conflict, it is also an attempt to legitimate — or undercut — national claims to sovereignty. Bridging the gap between popular coverage and specialized literature, *Finding Jerusalem* provides a comprehensive tour of the politics of archaeology in the city. Through an analysis of the material evidence, **Galor**

illuminates the complex legal contexts and ethical precepts that underlie archaeological activity and the discourse of "cultural heritage" in Jerusalem, and investigates how it has been shaped by religious and political agendas from the beginning of archaeological explorations in the mid-19th century to the present.

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