

“Preserving indigenous memory through art: Palestinian folktales and water springs stories in the work of Jumana Emil Abboud”



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The lumbung practice enables an alternative economy of collectivity, shared resource building, and equitable distribution. lumbung is anchored in the local and based on values such as humor, generosity, independence, transparency, sufficiency, and regeneration.

For ruangrupa, lumbung is not a concept, but a practice. This practice changes dynamically through interactions between people. Therefore, documenta fifteen is not theme-based. It is not about lumbung, but it evolves together withlumbung. documenta fifteen is practicing lumbung. This affects the artistic process, which is shaped collectively.

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Jumana Emil Abboud, My Other Half, performance





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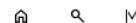
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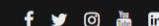
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We are angry, we are sad, we are tired, we are united: Letter from lumbung community

Dear Christian Geselle, Angela Dorn, Susanne Völker, Claudia Roth, the Supervisory Board and the Shareholders of documenta,

We are angry, we are sad, we are tired, we are united.

We have tried our best to stay above the chaos, hostility, racism and censorship that have engulfed this edition of documenta. We have tried our best to stay focused and committed to our work and the promises and hopes of the lumbung. We have been resilient and in solidarity with our communities, friends, supporters, hosts and guests.

Today's press release published [here](#) refers to a broader preliminary assessment. We have seen this preliminary report of the scientific advisory

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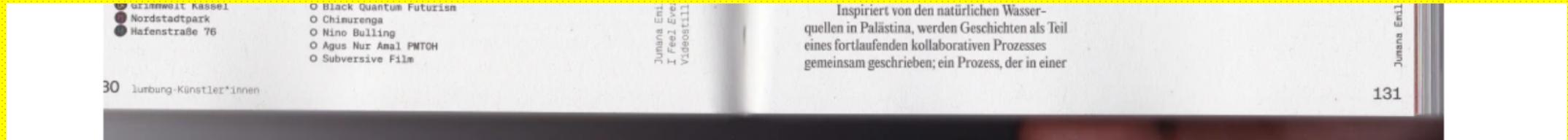
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Resistance to the State of Israel is resistance to settler colonialism, which uses apartheid, ethnic cleansing, and occupation, as forms of oppression. The report states that, "A comparatively large number of works deal with the Arab-Israeli conflict. Almost all of these works express a one-sided critical or even decidedly anti-Israeli attitude."⁶ documenta fifteen is an exhibition which contains work by many artists who belong to wider grassroot movements that have struggled and are still struggling with colonial regimes. The Palestinian anti-colonial struggle emerges in many lumbung artists' works because of the historical solidarities between these transnational anti-colonial struggles. The report tries to discredit this transnational solidarity by calling it a one-sided view of a (binary) conflict—reducing a historical and global complexity to caricature.



Jumana Emil Abboud ist eine der wenigen Künstlerinnen, die als Personen und nicht als Kollektiv als member des Lumbung auf der documenta 15 kuratiert wurden. Auch sie hat den „A Letter Against Apartheid“ unterzeichnet und verbreitet durch Steuern finanziert im documenta-Handbuch und auf der Ausstellung anitiisraelische Propaganda: „Abbouds Arbeit für die documenta fifteen erweitert ihre bisherige künstlerische Praxis um das Thema Wasser. [...] In den sogenannten ‚Wünschelruten-gänger*innen‘-Workshops [...] ging es darum, den hier lebenden Menschen ihr Recht auf Wasser symbolisch zurückzugeben. Der Verlust von Wasserrechten erscheint hier als Bestandteil der Siedlungspolitik des israelischen Staates: Wasser wird von den Quellen in Palästina abgezapft und in nahe gelegene Neusiedlungen umgeleitet. [...] Um ‚Rückgabe des Wassers‘ geht es sowohl in konkreter als auch in kultureller Hinsicht.“