

Visiting Speaker Series

The Institute of Arab and Islamic Studies is
pleased to present a talk by esteemed academic

Elias Nasrallah, Author

"Testimonies on the First Century of Palestine"

Wednesday, 8 November 2017, 5.15 pm

LT1, IAIS Building, Streatham Campus, Exeter EX4 4ND

Tea & Coffee to be served from 4.30 pm in the Common Room,
Institute of Arab and Islamic Studies.

All are welcome – no registration required.



Elias Nasrallah will be talking about his *book Testimonies on the First Century of Palestine* that has just received the 2017 Ihsan Abbas Award for Culture and Creativity. It is an autobiographical account of Nasrallah's life, his family, friends and other Palestinians and Israelis. The events cover the period of the past 100 years and he documents the social, political and psychological effects of dispossession and tragedy originating from the Balfour Declaration. Nasrallah provides a unique account of the Palestinian suffering and struggle and documents the story of the Palestinians that remained in Palestine after the Nakbah of 1948.

Nasrallah, as a Palestinian Christian with part of his family

being refugees, shows how all Palestinians suffer from colonial power. He and his family are victims of the on-going dispossession.

Elias Nasrallah is a well-known Palestinian Arab writer, researcher and journalist based in the UK. Born in Shefa Amr in Galilee 1947, he read Sociology, Statistics and Law at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

Nasrallah is an expert in Middle Eastern and Gulf affairs. His career as a journalist covers over 40 years starting as a correspondent and then editor for local Arab newspapers in Israel and Palestine, then in the Arab world, mainly in Saudi Arabia, Lebanon and Kuwait.