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**Expert in Israel-Palestine Conflict to Speak at Cal Poly March 3**  

SAN LUIS OBISPO – Anthropologist Jeff Halper will chronicle his work to promote peace and equity in Israeli-occupied Palestine from noon to 2 p.m. March 3 in the Business Rotunda (Bldg 3, Room 213).

Halper co-founded the Israeli Committee Against House Demolitions in an effort to end the Israeli practice of razing Palestinian homes in the occupied territories. He also coordinated Israelis and Palestinians in joint efforts to rebuild homes in the war-torn areas.

Nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize in 2006, Halper espouses a model of peace based on nonviolent direct action and civil disobedience.

He promotes a philosophy of cooperation through his work as an author, speaker and educator including stints at Haifa and Ben Gurion universities in Israel.

The lecture will be moderated by Manzar Foroohar, Cal Poly history professor. The event is free and open to the public.

The event is sponsored by the Cal Poly History Department and College of Liberal Arts’ Lottery Speakers’ Fund.

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