

Invitation to a public conference by Emek Shaveh:

## Whom does Archaeology Serve?

### Archaeology in the political conflict and in Israeli Society

Wednesday, 11 February 2015, 5:30-9:30pm

Nalaga'at Center, Jaffa Port

The first session will address the use of archaeology in the national-political struggle over East Jerusalem and the West Bank. The second session will focus on the significance of archaeology for communities residing near ancient sites and how an excavation or archaeological site can become an asset for the local community.

The discussion will be conducted in Hebrew and will be accompanied by simultaneous translation into English

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5:30pm-7:00pm Session 1:

### The Political Use of Archaeology in Jerusalem and the West Bank

Chair: Prof. Raphael Greenberg, Tel Aviv University

1. **Can Archaeology and Politics be separated in Jerusalem?**  
– Yonathan Mizrahi, Emek Shaveh
2. **The Settlers’ Conception of the Past and Archaeology in the West Bank** – Dr. Michael Feige, Ben Gurion University of the Negev
3. **Israeli Archaeological Activity in the West Bank from the Perspective of International Law** – Neta Amar-Shiff, Diakonia International Humanitarian Law Resource Centre
4. **World Heritage Sites in the West Bank and Israel: Political or Scientific Considerations?** – Ramez ‘Eid, doctoral candidate in Anthropology, Bern University, Switzerland

♦♦ Light refreshments and screening of short films ♦♦

7:20pm-9:00pm Session 2:

### Archaeology in the Community

Chair: Dr. Dana Hercbergs, Emek Shaveh

1. **Whom does Archaeology serve in Jaffa? Tourism versus the Residents** – Sami Abu Shehadeh, PhD student at Tel Aviv University and Jaffa resident
2. **The National Park in Beit She’an from the residents’ perspective—blessing or curse?** – Yigal Mazor, volunteer guides coordinator and Beit She’an resident
3. **The Archaeological Site as an Interface with the Community and the Local Authority** – Dr. Nili Shchory, urban planning and economic development specialist
4. **Jewish-Arab Excavation as Community Empowerment in Lod** – Dr. Tawfiq Da’adli, Hebrew University, archaeologist and Lod resident