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## **Electronic Media:**

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## Programs and Events

Deputy Principal Officer Helps Inaugurate  
New Textbook Study (August 05, 2009)



American Businesswoman Joins Forces with Palestinian Business  
Community to Promote Entrepreneurship (August 11, 2009)

القنصلية الأمريكية تدعم مشاركة خبرات الأعمال الأمريكية في المجتمع الفلسطيني لتشجيع  
الريادية (11 آب، 2009)

**Photo Album: Promoting Entrepreneurship**

**ألبوم الصور: تشجيع الريادية**



# Finale - Summer Camp DISCOVERY 2009

For the third consecutive year, the U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem is sponsoring Camp Discovery for youth in the West Bank and Gaza. More than 450 Palestinians ages 8-14 from refugee camps and disadvantaged communities are participating in Ramallah, Nablus, Jenin, Hebron and Gaza City. The summer camps are administered by Amideast in partnership with several local organizations including UNRWA, Al-Muntada Young Scientists' Club, Young Artists' Forum, and Basma Society for Culture and Arts.

للسنة الثالثة على التوالي تقوم  
القنصلية الأمريكية العامة في القدس  
بتمويل المخيمات الصيفية  
"ديسكفري" للطلاب الفلسطينيين في  
الضفة الغربية و غزة. حيث يشارك  
أكثر من 450 طالب فلسطيني تتراوح  
أعمارهم بين 8-14 سنة من مخيمات  
اللاجئين والتجمعات الفلسطينية  
المهمشة، في المخيمات الصيفية في  
كل من رام الله، نابلس، جنين، الخليل  
وغزة. وتتولى مؤسسة الأمدايست  
إدارة هذه المخيمات بالشراكة مع عدد  
من المؤسسات المحلية بما فيها وكالة  
غوث وتشغيل اللاجئين (الأونروا)،  
منتدى العلماء الصغار، منتدى الفنانين  
الصغار، وجمعية الأميرة بسمة للفن  
والثقافة.

## Photo Albums:

[Hebron](#)  
[Gaza](#)  
[Ramallah](#)  
[Nablus](#)  
[Jenin](#)



- Celebrating Achievements of Camp Discovery Jenin on Exhibition Day (August 05, 2009)
- Camp Discovery Nablus Dazzles Audience With an Unforgettable Finale (August 04, 2009)
- Camp Discovery Ramallah Show-off Talents in a Series of Musical Performances and Plays (August 03, 2009)

• الاحتفال بانجازات مخيم ديسكفري جنين باليوم الختامي (05 آب،  
2009)

• مخيم ديسكفري في نابلس يبهر الجمهور بخاتمة لا تنسى (04 آب،  
2009)

• مخيم الديسكفري في رام الله يظهر المواهب في سلسلة من الحفلات  
الموسيقية والمسرحيات (03 آب، 2009)

## Current Vacancies

### Deadlines:

- [SEMEP Chauffeur](#) | **Closing Date - August 18, 2009**
- [Program/Grant Support Secretary](#) | **Closing Date - August 18, 2009**
- [HVAC Technician/Electrician Assistant](#) | **Closing Date - August 17, 2009**
- [Cultural Affairs Assistant](#) | **Closing Date - August 17, 2009**
- [Security Guard](#) | **Until Filled**

## Website of the Week





MEPI awards 8 new local grants in East Jerusalem, the West Bank and Gaza.

**1. Al-Marsad**

*Ramallah*

*Strengthening Youth Participation in Increasing the Impartiality of Local Governance Institutions:*

This project will teach Palestinian youth ages 17-25 about civic engagement, the role of local councils and the means of interaction between them. Through a series of workshops and the formation of local youth councils, the program will make youth aware of their ability to influence local governing bodies.

**2. Al Nayzak**

*Jerusalem*

*Extracurricular Education and Scientific Innovation*

This project seeks to enhance students' educational experiences by providing activities that attract them to scientific learning, critical and creative thinking. Talented Jerusalem students (ages 14-17) will have access to a hospitable learning environment where teachers, students and parents can learn and innovate. The project aims to help students expand their minds and offers an alternative to fanatical or extremist approaches. Activities include participation in a scientific summer camp, followed by weekly creative thinking sessions, hands on science and technology sessions combined with access to Al-Nayzak resources.

**3. Panorama, Center for Dissemination of Democracy & Community Development**

*West Bank/Gaza*

*Youth Taking Action*

This project aims at building the capacity of young community leaders and creating a pool of responsible and responsive citizens from Palestinian universities in West Bank/Gaza. These youth will work as a Forum for the rule of law. Through this project, Panorama will work to engage and foster youth involvement in Palestinian decision-making process and will provide a platform of debate on democratization, rule of law and civil peace.

**4. PeacePlayers International – Middle East (PPI-ME)**

*Ramallah & Tulkarm*

*BasketPal Leadership Development Program*

This project uses the game of basketball to teach leadership and life skills to socio-economically disadvantaged girls ages 10 – 16 years and provides professional development training for young Palestinian coaches and educators. By engaging young girls in basketball activities, the project promotes equal participation of women in the public domain. Outstanding youth are then invited to BasketPal's Leadership Development Program (LDP), giving them a chance to become intern basketball coaches. This grooms them as leaders in their communities and creates role models for young Palestinian girls.

**5. Tomorrow's Youth Organization (TYO)**

*Nablus*

*Enriching our Community: Learning to Serve, Serving to Read:*

This project will work with university students and young mothers to introduce the idea of civic activism and self improvement. Through trainings on volunteerism, leadership, public speaking and literacy training, this project will emphasize the value of volunteerism and public service while providing valuable literacy skills to at risk children in the Nablus area.

**GAZA STRIP**

**1. Basma Society for Culture and the Arts**

*Al Rimal, Gaza Strip*

*Combating Violence and Enhancing the Culture of Forgiveness and Dialogue among Youth*

This project will work with youth aged 12 to 17 years, using theater and acting to build social awareness and address the concepts of violence, discrimination, lack of confidence, intolerance, forgiveness, and respect within their communities.

**2. Palestinian Women's Information and Media Center (PWIC)**

*Beit Lahia, Beit Hanoon and Jabalia, Gaza Strip*

*Capacity Building of Palestinian Women in the Gaza Strip through Dissemination of Democracy, Human Rights and Gender Sensitivity*

This project will work to develop the capacity of 450 women, ages 20-35. Through a series of intensive training programs and workshops on democracy, human rights and gender sensitivity, the project will contribute towards an improved overall status of women. The trainings and workshops are followed by community lobbying activities. The women will construct campaigns and meet with key community leaders, addressing critical women's issues.

**3. Society Voice Foundation (SVF)**

*Gaza City, Gaza Strip*

*Empower Future Young Leadership on Parliamentary Work and Monitoring Corruption*

This project aims to increase the capacity and knowledge of youth ages 22-35 years in local leadership. Through the creation of a youth parliament, radio programs and town hall meetings, the project will teach youth about transparency, accountability and integrity systems.

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- The First Fast
- American Indians Revive Tribal Identity to Raise Economic Status
- Clinton Calls for Enhanced Political Reforms in Nigeria
- Understanding Ozone  
How governments cooperated to solve an imminent environmental crisis

- أول شهر رمضان أصومه
- السكان الأصليون في أميركا يستنهضون هويتهم القبلية  
بغرض الارتقاء بوضعهم الاقتصادي
- كلينتون تطالب بتعزيز الإصلاحات السياسية في نيجيريا
- فهم الأوزون  
كيف تعاونت الحكومات على حل أزمة بيئية كانت وشيكة

## Selected E-Docs

-  WITHDRAWING FROM IRAQ: ALTERNATIVE SCHEDULES, ASSOCIATED RISKS, AND MITIGATING STRATEGIES
-  THE MULJAHEDIN-E KHALQ IN IRAQ: A POLICY CONUNDRUM
-  INFLUENZA A (H1N1) AND PANDEMIC PREPAREDNESS UNDER THE RULE OF INTERNATIONAL LAW
-  AN INTERNATIONAL COMPARISON OF SMALL BUSINESS EMPLOYMENT
-  COUNTRY ANALYSIS BRIEF: LIBYA. Energy Information Administration
-  AMERICA'S ENERGY FUTURE: TECHNOLOGY AND TRANSFORMATION
-  COUNTRY ANALYSIS BRIEF: OMAN. Energy Information Administration
-  IRAQ'S INTERIOR MINISTRY: THE KEY TO POLICE REFORM
-  THE USE OF OFFSETS TO REDUCE GREENHOUSE GASES
-  AN ANALYSIS OF CLIMATE ENGINEERING AS A RESPONSE TO CLIMATE CHANGE
-  GLOBAL TRENDS IN VENTURE CAPITAL: 2009 GLOBAL REPORT
-  UNDERSTANDING WHY TERRORIST OPERATIONS SUCCEED OR FAIL
-  WATER SCARCITY LOOMS