

THE PEOPLE'S GRADUATION



Tuesday, May 28, 2024
2:00pm - 5:00pm
University Lutheran Church
66 Winthrop St, Cambridge, MA 02138



The People's Graduation

More than eight months have passed since the onset of the genocide in Gaza, sparking global outcry and mobilization in cities worldwide against this paramount crime. The People's Graduation Ceremony is not merely a celebration but a pivotal chapter in the student intifada ignited by Columbia University's Students for Justice in Palestine (SJP). This movement galvanized the Gaza encampment wave across the United States, urging universities to sever ties with Israel.

The MIT Scientists Against Genocide Encampment (SAGE), initiated by the MIT Coalition Against Apartheid and the broader MIT Coalition for Palestine, symbolizes a robust stand against MIT's collaboration with the Israeli Ministry of Defense. Our acts of civil disobedience echo the courageous efforts of the civil rights movement's Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), championing a similar quest for justice.

Despite facing violence from faculty, peers, and an administration that has resorted to police brutality, we have remained unyielding. Our protest underscores a refusal to let violence undermine our demands to end MIT's war research for the Israeli military and its drone program with Israel. We demonstrate that violence will not silence our voice nor dictate our rights to shape our campus and community.

MIT's decision has led to the suspension of over 20 students, denial of graduation rights, and the looming threat of deportation for some. The People's Graduation serves as an act of defiance against institutional violence and a tribute to the resilience of Gaza's people. It's challenging to embrace celebration when the harrowing scenes of bombardment on Gaza and its universities linger in our memory. Yet, The People's Graduation places at its heart Gaza and the broader struggle for Palestinian Liberation. It celebrates the unwavering spirit of student activists across MIT and beyond, who continue to fight against the suppression of our voices. Inspired by Palestine, which teaches us life, we strive to embody these lessons, from our martyrs and our living in our continued and necessary pursuit of justice.

People’s Graduation Program

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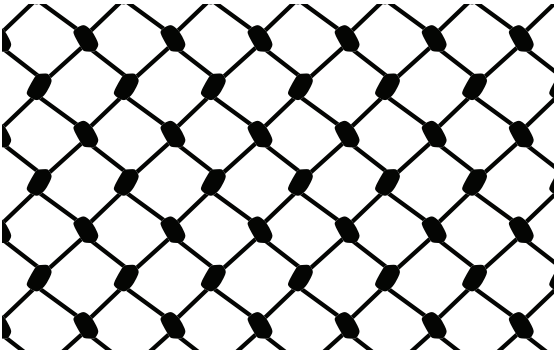
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PUT SOMETHING HERE ABOUT OTHER
SJPS THAT WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE

AND SOMETHING ABOUT THE STUDENT
INTIFADA MOVEMENT.

MAYBE STATISTICS OF HOW MANY STU-
DENTS HAVE BEEN ARRESTED IN THE US
AND A MAP OF ALL THE ENCAMPMENTS

PUT PAGE OF ALL COALITION LOGOS



About Us

Written Revolution is a publication intended to allow the unempowered voices on campus to share their creative projects in a collective framework. Fundamentally, this publication platforms revolutionary thought on campus - we believe that writing and art are among the most powerful tools for conducting a revolution. We are aligned with the liberation of all oppressed peoples, with global indigenous rights movements, with people-oriented philosophies and practices, and with anti-capitalist sentiment. In particular, we hope to spotlight projects that engage with culture and community by producing radical shifts away from the hierarchical and individualistic.

We share essays, poems, sketches, cartoons, and many other forms of content in order to further the liberatory frame of mind. Written Revolution is open to those who support our cause, and our content submission is open to all MIT community members. We also summarize revolutionary actions and activities taken on campus to further the call to liberation, be it through student unions, grassroots movements and demonstrations, or large-scale organizing. We are here to encourage such collective action on our campus. We are the revolution, and we are writing our own history.

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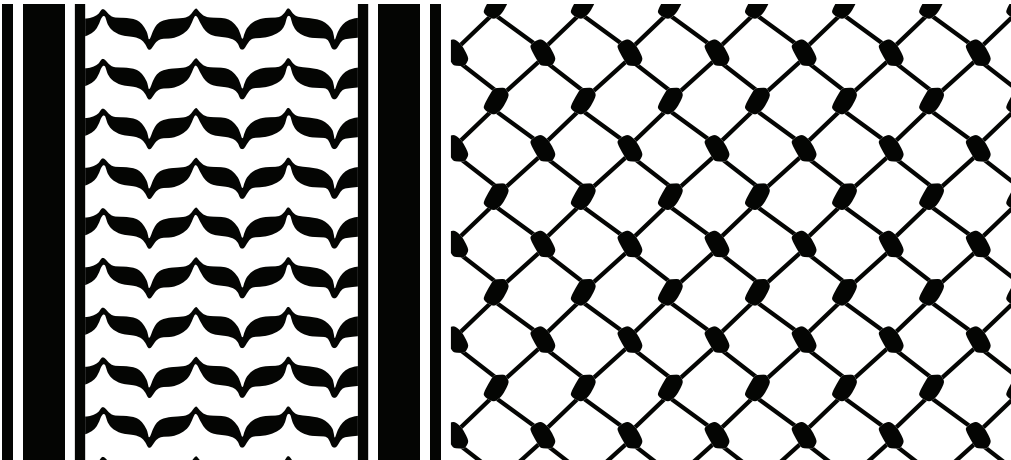


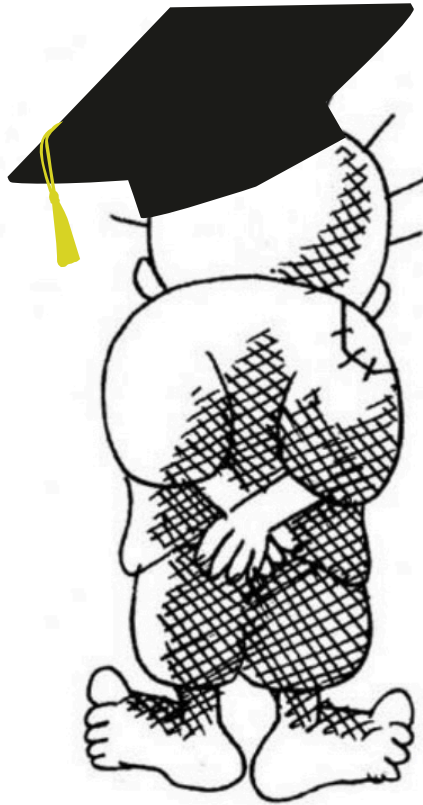
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CONTENT





Handala, created by Naji al-Ali in 1969, is a young refugee symbolizing Palestinian defiance. Depicted facing away, he vows to turn only when Palestine is free—a lasting emblem of resistance.

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A MEMORY THAT OUTLIVES
ANY HUMAN EXPERIENCE,
AND AN OBLIGATION TO
COMMUNICATE WITH OUR-
SELVES AND THE WORLD."**

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