Poetry to Heal a Split Society – 22.8.17

Nearly thirty people came on an early summer evening to this very special event of public poem reading and dialogue, in English, Hebrew and Arabic, jointly organized by Jerusalem YMCA and the Interfaith Encounter Association.

The event was the realization of a two-year vision of Hadassa Haskale – a poet herself and a very long-term participant in IEA groups. It opened with a welcome and introduction by Hadassah and an opening poem “Nowhere to Stand/Or?”, written by Hadassah, read in the three languages.

The reading part of the event included ten carefully selected poem from the anthology "Before There is Nowhere to Stand" of Israeli and Palestinian poets who respond to the conflict. The poems were divided into three parts: what unites us, what divides us and to what we aspire. Each of the poems was read in English, Arabic and Hebrew and after each part there was a pause and time was given to participants to write down their impressions and thoughts.

Finally participants divided into small groups where they shared their reflections and connected.
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- M'ghar – Shibolot
- M'ghar – Bridging
- M'ghar – Lana
- M'ghar – Green Light
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- Jordan Valley College (YIE)
- Haifa
- Haifa WIE
- Haifa University Youth Interfaith Encounter (YIE)
- Gordon College YIE
- Carmel City
- Wadi Ara WIE
- Living Together in Wadi Ara
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- Netania-Qalansawa
- Non-Violent Communication
- Tel Aviv University YIE
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• Petach-Tikva – Tira YIE
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