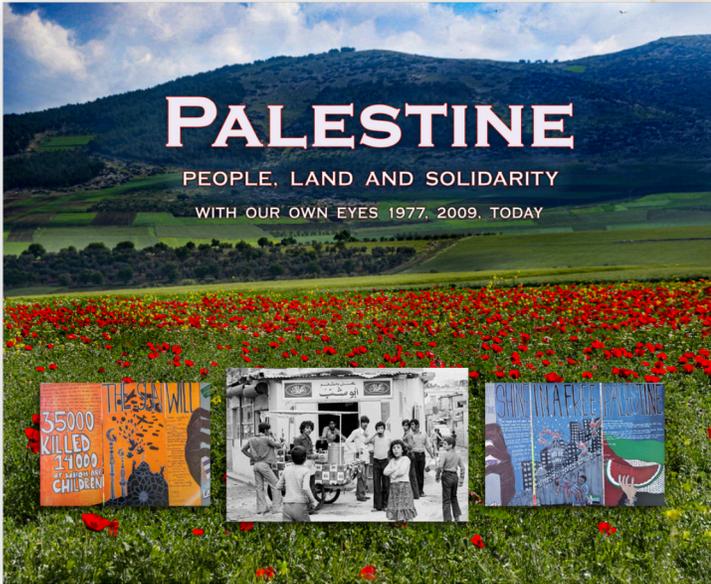




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Palestine People Land Solidarity: A 50 Year Lens

On the ground with a photographer and reporter chronicling the story behind the news

ITHACA, NY - Social justice photographer and reporter LiMin and Barbara Lou Taam announce the release of their book, *Palestine – People, Land, and Solidarity – With Our Own Eyes 1977, 2009, Today*. Their first-hand interviews across Palestine and Lebanon, and LiMin Taam's rare and compelling photographs document a struggle that has persisted through decades of occupation. It is more than a record. It is an immersive experience of shared humanity from the 1970s to the massive global solidarity we see today. This book serves as a vital bridge between generations and provides needed context to daily news.

The heart of the book is a 1977 photographer/writers trip to the region. At a time when few American journalists were granted access, the authors were invited by the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) to Lebanon to interview and photograph Palestinian leadership, refugees,

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teachers, doctors, workers, researchers, artists, elders, and children. The authors recorded voices and images across Palestine – from Gaza to the West Bank, from Jerusalem to the Galilee. The resulting collection of high-impact photography and investigative interviews provides a raw, unfiltered look at a pivotal moment in the struggle for self-determination that helps us understand where we are today.

"We began as anti-war youth in the Vietnam era. As journalists we've been part of a global movement for justice," says co-author Barbara Lou Taam "Our photos and interviews aren't just memories; they are primary source documents of life under occupation and resistance through generations."

Key Features of the Book Include:

Striking 1977 Photographs: Exclusive on-the-ground photos from a cross-regional reporting trip through Palestine and Lebanon.

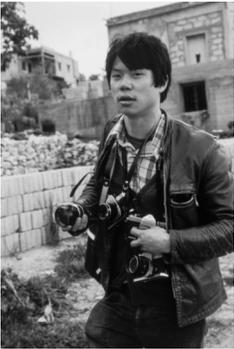
Unpublished Leadership Interviews: First-hand accounts and conversations with Yasser Arafat and other Palestinian leaders from the 1970s.

Ultra-high-resolution gigapans: Comparative visuals and narratives from a subsequent trip in 2009 to join Palestinians hiking the northern hills and to document the impact of the Israeli apartheid wall and settlements.

From Wounded Knee and the anti-war movement to Gaza: The authors bring a unique perspective of intersectional solidarity, drawing on their experience in the anti-war student movement of the Vietnam era, and reporting from the 1973 occupation of Wounded Knee.

Palestine: People, Land, and Solidarity is currently available for purchase at freeppls.org and [Amazon](https://www.amazon.com). Members of the media can access a digital media kit, including high-resolution images and author bios, at freeppls.org/press.

About the Authors:



LiMin Taam is a Cornell-educated engineer and innovator who spent decades in the personal computing and software industry. His work in photojournalism is informed by a 50-year commitment to breaking the silence surrounding Palestinian dehumanization.



Barbara Lou Taam is a veteran activist and journalist who co-authored *Voices from Wounded Knee*, 1973. A former radio reporter for The Rest of the News and reporter/editor for Liberation News Service (LNS), she has documented people's struggles from Lakota lands to Detroit to New York City to the Middle East.

"The dehumanization of the Palestinian people resonated deeply with something personal in my own life."

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