

Edward W. Said (1935-2003)

A. Biography

- 1935 Born in 1935 in Jerusalem, Palestine, child of wealthy Christian Palestinians.
- 1947~ Creation of the State of Israel. Moved to Cairo with his family and attended American schools.
- 1951~ Attends Mount Hermon Preparatory School in Massachusetts.
- 1957 BA from Princeton.
- 1960 MA from Harvard.
- 1964 Phd from Harvard in Comparative Literature; thesis on Joseph Conrad.
- 1963~ Assistant Professor of Comparative Literature, Columbia University.
- 1967 Arab-Israeli "Six-Day" War.
- 1977-91 Member of the Palestine National Council; resigns in protest at the Oslo "Peace Process" and giving his support to the idea of "One Man, One Vote, One State".
- 1992~ Professor of English and Comparative Literature, Columbia University.
- 1999 Founded the West-Eastern Divan Workshop with musician Daniel Barenboim. Becomes President of the MLA.
- 2003 Dies of leukemia in New York.

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