Record Nr. UNINA9910457554203321 Autore Weiss Yfaat Titolo A confiscated memory [[electronic resource]]: Wadi Salib and Haifa's lost heritage / / Yfaat Weiss ; translated by Avner Greenberg New York, : Columbia University Press, c2011 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-281-95473-X 9786613792952 0-231-52626-1 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (273 p.) Disciplina 956.94/6 Soggetti Riots - Israel - Haifa Palestinian Arabs - Israel - Haifa - History Electronic books. Wadi Salib (Haifa, Israel) Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto Frontmatter -- Contents -- Preface -- Acknowledgments -- Prologue. The Neighbors Who Get Rich on Our Account -- 1. War. Diachronic Neighbors -- 2. Commotion. "And I Wanted to Do Something Nice, Like They Have Up in Hadar" -- 3. Evacuation. City Lights -- 4. Khirbeh. Altneuland -- Epilogue. Iphrat Goshen and His Wife Miriam Move Into Said's Home in Hallisa -- Notes -- Bibliography -- Index Yfaat Weiss tells the story of an Arab neighborhood in Haifa that later Sommario/riassunto acquired iconic status in Israeli memory. In the summer of 1959, Jewish immigrants from Morocco rioted against local and national Israeli authorities of European origin. The protests of Wadi Salib generated for the first time a kind of political awareness of an existing ethnic

discrimination among Israeli Jews. However, before that, Wadi Salib existed as an impoverished Arab neighborhood. The war of 1948

displaced its residents, even though the presence of the absentees and the Arab name still linger. Weiss investigates the erasure of Wadi Salib's Arab heritage and its emergence as an Israeli site of memory. At the core of her quest lies the concept of property, as she merges the constraints of former Arab ownership with requirements and restrictions pertaining to urban development and the emergence of its entangled memory. Establishing an association between Wadi Salib's Arab refugees and subsequent Moroccan evacuees, Weiss allegorizes the Israeli amnesia about both eventual storiesthat of the former Arab inhabitants and that of the riots of 1959, occurring at different times but in one place. Describing each in detail, Weiss uncovers a complex, multilayered, and hidden history. Through her sensitive reading of events, she offers uncommon perspective on the personal and political making of Israeli belonging.