



**Emily Jacir**

*Entry Denied (a Concert in Jerusalem)*

Emily Jacir is from Palestine but lives in the US and because she holds an American passport she can freely move between Palestine and Israel, which most Palestinians cannot. She has made work about the recent troubles and atrocities in her country, often memorialising specific events that pass through the western media unnoticed. Without making any excuses for the savagery of either side of the conflict, she explores instead a sense of loss that's beyond retribution but also sometimes unavoidably sentimental. The story behind this work is described in the accompanying poster. This apparent joyous musical performance has a dark history and is a re-staging of a concert that was cancelled by the Israeli authorities for no other reason than there were outsiders helping the occupied peoples.